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Di Tella Christmas card envelopes cause stir in South America

SOMEONE who clearly does not believe in posting early for Christmas is Argentine Foreign Minister, Dr Di Tella, whose Christmas cards to the Falkland Islands were posted on the December 27.

Perhaps he can be forgiven for being a little late as he appears to have sent a card to everyone on the Falklands electoral roll, some eleven sacks of mail, according to Post Office sources, which must have left him with considerable writers cramp.

Last year, Dr Di Tella caused a stir by bombarding most people in the telephone book with copies of video tapes featuring that popular cartoon penguin, Pingu, apparently a favourite of the Di Tella grandchildren.

This year, although some citizens of Stanley reportedly refused to lift the Christmas cards from their boxes, it was the envelopes in which they came which appeared to have been the cause of most interest on the coast.

A number of people in Stanley were telephoned by a journalist from a Uruguayan newspaper *La Manana*, who was requesting that an envelope be faxed to him and

it is believed that at least one Argentine journalist was displaying a similar interest.

The focus of attention on the envelope was not because of the late date of posting, which showed

a considerable improvement on the usual posting times via Chile, but on account of the address, not Puerto Argentino or Rivera, but: **Port Stanley.**

Falkland/Malvinas Islands

Conrado plays Santa, but the family have to do the licking

IRISH / ARGENTINE academic and former *La Prensa* journalist, Dr Conrado Bulrich arrived in Stanley on his second visit to the Falklands on Friday afternoon bearing gifts from a non-profit making organisation called *Americanos del Sur* for 500 or so Falkland families, in the form of a videotape, directed by himself and entitled *The Argentine Camp from the Pampas to Patagonia*.

Apparently during Dr Bulrich's last visit to the Falklands, someone had made the point to him that people

would be more interested in documentary films about Argentina than videos of comic penguins.

Unfortunately when Dr Bulrich and his family, wife Constanza and three children, Conrado, Fecundo and Maria arrived at the Post Office in Stanley with the tapes in two large boxes, they discovered that it was necessary for each of the packets to receive stamps to the value of 74p. A lot of licking!

They will no doubt go on holiday next week to Pebble Island with dry tongues.

Antarctic Twin-Otter accident inquest opens in Stanley

THE INQUEST into the deaths of four men who died when their DHC-6 Twin Otter plane crashed into an iceberg on take-off at Rothera base on November 24th, 1994, was opened in the Coroners Court on Tuesday, January 3rd.

The Coroner, Mr. Andrew Jones, was notified by Chief Police Officer Ken Greenland that the names of those killed in the accident were: Messrs. J. Corcoran Armstrong, Neil J. Armstrong, Eirik Petterson Odegaard, and Dale Nathan Fredland.

One person, believed to have been Mr. Odegaard, had been observed crawling from the plane

by witnesses at the research station, said Mr. Greenland. He is presumed to have died instantly when the plane burst into flames after the crash.

Since then, the wreckage and bodies have been absorbed by the iceberg, so there is little hope of their recovery.

He added that it is believed that Mr. Neil Armstrong, father of the pilot, Mr. J. Corcoran Armstrong, had taken the flight as a 75th birthday present.

The remainder of the inquest will be conducted either in Stanley or in England, in March or April, when witnesses to the crash are on hand to testify.

West Roads problem sorted

PROBLEMS between the Government and White Rock Ltd over the West Roads contract have been resolved, according to a release from the Secretariat on Friday afternoon.

Due to what was described in the release as a "substantial misunderstanding" over the terms of the original contract, Exco had issued a contract variation to White Rock Ltd, while a re-tendering process was undertaken involving White Rock and Gordon Forbes Ltd., who have now indicated that they will not be re-tendering.

2 weeks TV inside
'Silent Night' as Cable and wireless suffer breakdown

CABLE & WIRELESS suffered a complete breakdown in its islands-wide and overseas telephone service on Tuesday, January 3, at 6:42 pm.

Lasting for just over eight hours, it was the only major interruption to their telephone service since the new automatic digital system was installed.

In a press release, Engineering Manager Michael Harris said their initial diagnosis was that the collapse was due to "a failure of the switch control processors."

Switching engineers David McLeod and Justin McPhee were at work on the problem within minutes; however, attempts to restart the switch failed, and at 8:10 pm FIBS were asked to notify the public of the failure.

Reminders from the Police that a listening watch is maintained on Channel 16 and 2 metres were broadcast by FIBS and BFBS.

The military telephone was not affected.

The C&W press release continues: "After two attempts to restart the switch had failed, contact was established with the switch manufacturers.... via engineering communications facilities, and assistance with fault diagnosis was requested." However, dial tone was not restored to the public until 3:00 am the following morning.

At the time of the press release, the exact cause of the collapse was not known. Another failure occurred on the following afternoon, but service was quickly restored.

Stud Flock Enquiry resumed

THE ENQUIRY into the management of the National Stud Flock resumed on Friday under former Chief Magistrate James Wood, who returned from UK on Thursday.



YOUR LETTERS.....

A PEACE OFFERING

IN SPITE OF all the benefits of modern life, few people today seem to have that inner peace of mind and contentment enjoyed by a former generation. The reason seems to be that people have become so preoccupied with materialism, the pressures of life and insecurity that they have neglected the teachings of the Bible and so losing the hope, comfort and enrichment of life that the reading of it has given to so many.

I, personally, can testify that by reading the Bible one can experience the reality of "the peace of God that passeth all understanding."

Not me says Jock

I, JOCK SUTHERLAND wish it to be known that it has been alleged by a person or persons, in Stanley, that I have in my possession a saw which belonged to a previous employer.

I wish it to be known that this is a false allegation, as the saw which I work with is an "Echo" and not a "Still" saw, which the person alleges has been taken.

I have only recently started in business for myself and wish to be left in peace to continue my work without trouble from petty jealousies, as it is difficult enough to make a decent living without being troubled with these childish innuendoes.

If it comes to my attention that these rumours are continuing, I will be forced to take the matter further.

Jock Sutherland
Sutherland's Garden Services
Stanley

Biggs Family commemorated

THE MANY descendants of the original Biggs immigrants will recall an enjoyable reunion held in the Town Hall, Stanley in 1992. This marked the 150th anniversary of the establishment of the family here.

During the party, we collected enough money to erect a small cairn and plaque to commemorate the event. It took some time to have the plaque engraved and there were initial difficulties in erecting the cairn. I left Stanley to work at Falkland House, London, in July 1992 and work on the project came to a temporary halt. However, I returned to the Falklands briefly this summer and one of my first priorities was to arrange the completion of the memorial.

I am pleased to advise members of the very extended Biggs family and others who contributed to the project, that the cairn

As a seasonal gesture I would be delighted to send a free copy of the 1995 'Bible Readers Calendar' to any in the Falklands who would like a copy. It directs people to various portions of the Bible so that in the course of a year the entire Bible can be read - something few achieve in a lifetime. Whilst it is in English, the Bible passages should be quite easily understood if one knows just a little English.

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Re-united and wish to remain so without interference

THIS LETTER is to keep the rumour-mongers up-to-date, and, to separate fact from fiction as to our circumstances. We would just like to inform those who dwell on such practises that we are happily re-united and wish to remain so without any outside interference to our private life.

So we would just like to say that we have now stated the fact, so anything else circulated is purely fiction and speculation on the part of uninformed individuals.

Robert and Pam Stewart
Stanley

and plaque are now erected on the green at the harbour end of Hebe Street.

The location of Hebe Street is appropriate, as the immigrants arrived aboard the sailing vessel *Hebe* in 1842. An artist's impression of the ship is shown on the plaque, beside an inscription which reads:

This plaque was erected by the descendants of Margaret and James Biggs, who arrived in the Falklands aboard the Brig Hebe in 1842 and participated in the founding of this town. 300 of their descendants gathered in Stanley on 15th January 1992 to celebrate the 150th anniversary of this event and to remember with respect their pioneering forebears.

Although the delay had been unintentional, it was appropriate that the memorial was completed during the period when Stanley

.....Write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley

was celebrating the 150th anniversary of its founding.

Those who funded the project will be grateful to Jimmy Curtis, who used his masonry skills to erect the monument. Jimmy is a member of one of the most recent

immigrant families and his involvement seemed symbolic of a community which, while respectful of its origins, continues to welcome new citizens.

Graham Bound
Stanley

Sharon says thanks for help

I WOULD LIKE to take up a few lines in the Penguin News if I may to thank everyone who either took part in, helped to arrange or donated towards the 150 overland ride and drive from Port Louis to Stanley. Your efforts on the day were much appreciated, especially those of the met men who finally got it right on the day!

A special thanks must also go to the following establishments for their donations towards the barbecue at Corner Pass:

Refreshments: Beauchene, Deanos, FIC, Philomel Store, Rose Hotel, Speedwell Store.

Sharon Halford

.....and ticks off the Sports Association

I THOUGHT I should put pen to paper to highlight what appears to be a problem with the SSA prizes or should I say the lack of them.

Most jockeys spend a lot of time and effort in getting their mounts to the race course, not to mention money. They then pay to keep the animals at the course for the two days and pay to enter all the races they go in. After that they then pay to go to the dance to collect their prizes - what a let-down, when most come away only with an envelope and no trophies.

Until attending the recent sports prize-giving dance, I was unaware that jockeys were, in many cases, not receiving the prizes listed in the Sports Programme and that this has been happening for some years. It would appear that some of the challenge trophies have not been returned. I suspect that most of the sponsors believe that their trophies are still being handed on and are unaware of the current situation that has been allowed to develop.

The DHSA produce prizes for their prize-giving dance and call in challenge trophies prior to the sports meeting. Is it not time, therefore, for the SSA to put their

Stanley Arms and the Victory Bar
Charcoal: Stanley Services
Cups: Stanley Co-op
Bread Rolls: Stanley Bakery Limited

And finally Hillside Camp for cooking and providing such an excellent spread on the day.

You may like to know that your efforts towards the celebration managed to raise the sum of £1250.35 for the Falkland Islands Association and a cheque will be presented to them early in the new year

house in order and perhaps take a leaf out of the book of the DHSA? Perhaps the SSA should go one step further in their major spring clean and cancel all races that the trophies do not appear for, whether it be the fault of the sponsor or the jockey. The programme also needs to be addressed as many of the events state, "Prizes presented by" and do not state what these prizes are. Some events advertise a cup as the prize, but do not state that it is meant to be a challenge cup, while others advertise money and do not say that a challenge cup also exists. What was wrong with the old tradition of displaying all prizes in the FIC prior to the sports meeting - if this were to be done in future, sponsors, jockeys and the general public would all get to see them?

Remember jockeys enjoy the sports despite the cost to them as it is a hobby. However in return for providing the entertainment they do expect to pick up whatever prizes are donated and listed in the programme. Even if horse-owners do not ride their own horses they like to be able to show what their horses achieved

Sharon Halford
Another cupless victim!

S/V Shingebiss 11 bids farewell to all

LARRY AND MAXINE Bailey of the sailing vessel *Shingebiss 11* wish to thank you all for making us so welcome during the past year. It had been our intention to visit the Falklands, but we didn't expect to spend almost a year here. Assorted mechanical problems with the boat extended our visit through last winter.

her friends in the Falkland Islands

It has been a real pleasure to learn to know the community, to enjoy your entertainments and to share in your remembrances and your festivals. Most especially it has been a pleasure to be welcomed into your homes and society. We know of no other place where people are so generous and hospitable. Special thanks to the

H.E. The Governor's Christmas Message

(This is the original text of the Governor's broadcast on Christmas morning on FIBS and as such may differ in some small detail from what Mr Tatham actually said.)

SO CHRISTMAS IS HERE again and the end of 1994. I know that farmers in Camp are only half way through the season's work but perhaps I can be allowed to look back over the past year.

I think it has been a good one. Some highlights I especially remember, among them some very successful visits. I was particularly pleased that the first ever visit by a Secretary of State went so well. When Douglas Hurd and his wife, Judy, came here in April, I think it was for the Foreign Secretary in many ways a homecoming. He had heard such a lot about the Islands from his parents and he went back not just a defender of the Islands - because he is that already - but a very firm friend as well.

We seem to have this ability to make a good impression on visitors. It's not just the brand new facilities in Stanley - the community school and the hospital - it's our whole way of doing things. The Chilean MPs were impressed by our government and society - small, but efficient and very responsive to what the people thought. But above all it is the warmth of the Falklands' welcome and here I should particularly like to thank everyone in Camp. We send a lot of visitors out to you and they all return very enthusiastic, about the wildlife certainly but also about the warmth of their welcome and the unique Camp style of living with its unique mix of community and independence.

The other feature I shall remember of this year is the celebrations for the 150th Anniversary of Stanley. We were lucky to have good weather and we were grateful to have the Royal Marines Band - they were really splendid. But what struck me most of all was how much everybody enjoyed the events. They were a great opportunity for the military and civil communities to get together in a series of occasions, some of them sporting, some just celebrations. And talking about the mili-

tary, I should like to say as I always do at this time of year, how grateful we all are to the British Forces Falkland Islands for being here to defend our independence and our right to live our own lives. Most of them will be 8,000 miles away from their loved ones this Christmas, but we send them our thanks and best wishes. We hope they will enjoy their summer Christmas and get the most out of their stay on the Islands.

I should like to conclude by thanking everyone in the community who works to take care of other people. However prosperous and thriving a community we become, nothing can replace genuine care and concern for each other. We are fortunate to have health and education departments with highly trained and professional staff who are absolutely committed to their jobs.

I should also like to thank all those people who work voluntarily in the community to make the Islands a better place. There are lots of people who give hours of their time helping the elderly and less able - just as there are many people who spend time helping the youth movements. This year we've seen the Guides opening their fine new headquarters after a splendid effort of community fund-raising. And "The Shack" for the young people is being refurbished by the Royal Engineers. The people who work in these youth organisations receive no payment for giving up their time, but they are bringing on the citizens of tomorrow, training them in responsibility, in self-confidence and in respect for others. We all owe them a sincere vote of thanks this Christmas.

Finally, Valerie and I would like to thank everyone in public service for their support through the year and everyone in the Islands for their friendship and hospitality. And can we wish everyone - but particularly anyone who is alone, who is ill, who has suffered loss, peace at Christmas and a happy and successful New Year.

As we make our way to South Georgia, then north to warmer areas, we will champion your beautiful islands. Though you have difficult choices to make, know that there are a couple of yanks 'out there' who will always say, "We love the Falkland Islands". God bless and keep you.

Lawrence & Maxine Bailey

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A brace of weddings enhances Stanley's seasonal festivities

Christmas Eve wedding for Gina and Gary.

New year's Eve for Saul and Cyndy



A DAY which threatened cloudiness and rain relented in time for Gina Bernisen and Garry Tyrrell to be married in brilliant sunshine in Christchurch Cathedral by Canon Stephen Palmer on the day before Christmas.

The bride, who was given away by her father, Olaf Bernisen, was attended by her sisters, Diana and Saphena, and her niece, Robyn.

She wore a full-length wedding gown with a burgundy velvet bodice trimmed with gold, and contrasting full pale gold skirt. Diana and Saphena wore burgundy mid-length dresses, and carried bouquets, which matched Gina's, of burgundy and cream roses. Robyn wore a cream silk dress with burgundy trimmings, and carried a flower hoop.

Revenue lost from cancelled cruise call

CANCELLATION of the visit of the tourist vessel "Hanseatic" on January 8, due to the threatened termination of bookings by 15 Argentine tourists, has resulted, apart from the cost to Government and Stanley traders, in a loss of £900 to Stanley Growers, according to Tim Miller.

The problem developed when the Argentines were notified that they would not be allowed to disembark in the Falklands in the course of the Hanseatic's cruise. When they stated that they would prefer to cancel their bookings, the ship had no alternative but to eliminate the Falklands visit.

Stanley Growers were notified of the cancellation on Monday,

The bridesmaids all wore head-dresses to match their bouquets.

The groom and his best man, John McLeod, wore grey three-piece suits with burgundy ties and handkerchiefs.

Witnesses for the wedding were Hayley Bonner and Patrick Minto. William (Jumbo) and Susan Whitney attended as Garry's parents.

The three-tier wedding cake was made and decorated by Michelle Evans.

A supper in the Upland Goose Hotel for close family and friends followed the wedding service, and the festivities concluded with a reception and dance.

January 2, by the ship's agents, who were nevertheless prepared to airfreight to Ushuaia the salad vegetables specially grown for the Hanseatic visit. Unfortunately no existing air connection would have arrived in time for the ship's sailing.

Careless driver fined

IN MAGISTRATES court on Wednesday, January 4th, Michael David Penn, of MPA, pleaded guilty to a charge of driving without due care and attention, and was fined £75 plus £35 costs.

On December 4th, Mr. Penn, driving west on John Street, collided with landrover being driven south along Villiers Street by Thomas Keane. Damage was caused to both vehicles, but there were no injuries.

Nigel Knight reports on the West Falkland Ram and Fleece Show

Coast Ridge Farm takes Challenge Cup for most points gained at Ram Show.



THE VENUE for the eighth West Falkland Ram and Fleece Show was once again Fox Bay Village. Thursday 29th December 1994 saw the progressive Falkland Farmers compete for the prestige and excellent prizes awarded to the winners in this year's Show.

Some entries had already arrived by FIGAS but the vast majority came overland from all corners of West Falkland. Entries started early in the morning and continued in a steady stream up to the one o'clock deadline, as the ubiquitous Land/Rovers waited their turn to discharge their cargo of precious Rams and Fleeces, which quickly filled the individual pens and fleece tables made ready to receive them. As usual each entry was allocated a number, no names were displayed.

In all fourteen Ram Hoggetts, six Shearling Rams and three Mature Rams filled the pens, what handsome specimens they were and a credit to their owners, many a covetous glance was in evidence during the day and no wonder.

The Fleeces tables were weighed down with thirty five Hogget fleeces, forty fine wool fleeces and sixteen 'B' wether fleeces. All of them displayed the best attributes of pure 'Falkland Wool', what desirable apparel they will make when processed.

After the entries closed the centre of attention moved from the Woolshed to Social Club, throats parched from the track and from extolling the virtues of Rams and fleeces they had just delivered were soon lubricated and quenched. Outside the Club sustenance of a more solid nature could be savoured, this was of course the barbecue, skilfully organised by Richard and Griz Cockwell. Five whole sheep were consumed in the space of two hours by visitors and residents alike, quite a memorable feast.

The attention of all the present then reverted to the Woolshed for the onerous task of judging the entries. Judging was the same as last year and by public ballot. Interested members of the public who considered themselves capable of such an onerous task started off by judging the Ram Hogget class, followed by the Shearling Ram class. Each ram was judged individually by awarding points out of ten. Rams they considered

to be the best would be awarded higher points than the ones they considered not as good. The fleeces were judged differently, here participants were asked to select what they considered to be the best five fleeces in all three 'Fleece classes'. Their five were also ranked in order of preference.

After the judging, votes were collected and added together. Those entries with the highest number of votes won that particular class. Prizes being awarded for the entries with the four highest number of points. In some cases the judging was so close that the placings could only be decided by referring back to the judging cards and counting the number of first places that had been given, and in one case the second places had to be counted as well. At 6.00pm, all assembled for the prize-giving, H.E. The Governor was once again present to distribute the prizes at this year's show.

In the 'Full Wool Ram Hogget' class Nigel Knight from Coast Ridge won first prize with 254 points, this was an engraved 'Challenge Shield' donated by Mr and Mrs Austin Davies, plus £100 donated by Cable & Wireless Plc. The second prize of £75.00 donated by Standard Chartered Bank was won by Alastair Marsh of Shallow Harbour with 252 points, and the third prize of a statuette presented by the Falkland Islands Company went to Clive Wilkinson, Dunnose Head with 249 points. Fourth prize of £25.00 donated by R.M. Pitaluga and Family went to Dave Dunford, Saddle Farm with 237 points.

In the 'Full Wool Shearling Class' first prize of a Silver Cup presented by Dunnose Head Farm plus £25.00 donated by FIDC went to Clive Wilkinson, Dunnose Head Farm with 289 points, second place won £75.00 also presented by FIDC went to Nigel Knight, Coast Ridge Farm with 281 points. Third prize of £50.00, presented by Saddle Farm went to Dave Dunford, Saddle Farm. Fourth prize of £25.00 from The Fagners Association went to Nigel Knight with 211 points.

In the 'Full Wool Mature Ram Class' Nigel Knight won the first prize of the Falkland (Woolsales) Challenge Cup, plus a replica and £40.00 donated by Falkland Landholdings Ltd, with 280 points,

second prize of £75.00 donated by the Southern Cross Social Club was won by Alastair Marsh with 273 points. Third prize of £50.00 presented by Port Howard Farm was won by Nigel Knight with 217 points.

First, Second and Third prize winners were also presented with Statuettes donated by Peter Short of Falkland Supplies.

The Champion Ram belonged to Clive Wilkinson with 289 points, he received an engraved Tankard plus £50.00 donated by the Luxton family, Chartres. The Reserve Champion went to Nigel Knight with 281 points, this was £40.00 donated by Falkland Islands Wool Marketing Ltd. (Bradford).

The 'Hogget Fleece Class' was won by Dave Dunford with 53 points, he received the Challenge Cup & Replica presented by Meredith Fishing Company and Falkland Hydrocarbon Development Ltd. The second prize of a £70.00 voucher from Falkland Farmers was won by Alastair Marsh with 45 points. Third prize was won by Pat Luxton, Chartres with 38 points, this was a £50.00 voucher from Stanley services. The fourth prize of a £30.00 voucher also donated by Falkland Farmers was won by Alastair Marsh with 38 points.

Any Fine Wool Fleece other than Hogget, was won by The National Stud Flock with 53 points, they received 'The Governors Cup' presented by H.E. The Governor, plus a replica donated by Newton/Capital House (FIG's Investment Managers). They donated all other prizes in this class. Second prize of £75.00 was won by the National Stud Flock with 42 points. Third prize of £50.00 was won by Robin Smith, HARPS Farm with 39 points. The fourth prize of £25.00 was won by Alastair Marsh with 26 points.

Any 'B' type Wether Fleece was won by Pat Luxton with 76 points, she received an Engraved Challenge Cup presented by Coast Ridge Farm, and a miniature presented by Ursula Wanglin. Alastair Marsh came second with 48 points, he won £50.00 presented by The Falkland Islands Sheep Owners Association.

Judging gets under way at Fox Bay. Third prize of £25.00 from Little Chartres Farm was won by Nigel Knight with 36 points. Fourth prize of £25.00, presented by Stanley Electrical, went to Roger Edwards, Lake Sullivan Farm with 32 points.

The Challenge Cup presented by Mr Owen Summers for the Farm with most points in all classes went to Coast Ridge.

Rosettes given for 1st - 4th places in all classes, Champion rosette given for Champion Ram, these were all provided by Jim McAdam, Department of Agriculture Northern Ireland.

The 'Frazzles Weight' competition was won by Bill Pole-Evans he guessed Frazzles weight at exactly 141 pounds. The prize for this was donated by Robin and Pat Marsh. Frazzle again appeared by kind permission of Mrs Joyce Halliday.

The competition for the 'best guest' of the weight of a Wether Hogget Fleece was won by Gideon Ashworth he guessed 5.00 Kilos, which was the actual weight. He won £25.00 donated by Lake Sullivan Farm. The 'best guess' prize for the fibre Diameter taken from a mid-side sample, was won by Rosemary Wilkinson who guessed 26.52 micron. The result from the tested sample was 26.8 micron. She won £25.00 donated by Argos Fishing Co.

Winner of the 'Under 21' sheep Judging competition was won by Gideon Ashworth, this was sponsored by the Department of Agriculture.

The 'Pure Wool' sweaters donated by Mrs Griz Cockwell and the Falkland Mill were auctioned in aid of Show funds by Roger Edwards.

The organisers would like to take this opportunity to thank sponsors, entrants and the general public for their support and enthusiasm. Special mention must go to FIGAS for carrying fleeces free of charge and F.I.B.S and 'Woolpress' for keeping everyone informed, also the Committee of the Southern Cross Social Club for refreshments and entertainment.

Thanks also to the residents of Fox Bay for being such excellent hosts.

Spotlight on the 1994 gymkhana and race meeting



Bonnars hold off Davis' challenge at Stanley's Christmas Sports

by Patrick Watts

The 1994 Xmas Sports Meeting once again proved to be a triumph for the Bonner family with Timmy retaining his Jockey Championship title and Governors Cup, while father Don was awarded a new award for being the owner of the most successful horse at the traditional two day meeting, after his Chilean imports Dory and Croatia both recorded 4 X 1st place and 1 X 2nd.

Having steered Dory to the Maiden Plate/Governors Cup double last year, Tim Bonners switched to Croatia this time a won the premier prize - Governors Cup - with Dory ridden by his wife Haley in 2nd place. The locally bred favourite Sheba from Fitzroy, with 4 previous Governors Cup victories, but now reaching the veteran stage, earned a credible third beating several imported horses on the way, while Neil Watson steered the misbehaving Sharka into 4th position. Sharka had earlier

dumped Lisa Riddel, Neils daughter, who suffered a broken ankle which for the second year running put her out of the Races.

Tim Bonners total of 28 points was 2 less than last year, but it was enough to give him a treble of Championships. His points came from victories on Croatia in the JBG Falklands Trophy, Governors Cup, Rincon Grande Plate, The Rose Bar Mile and the Darwin Shipping Prize with distances ranging from 440 - 1760 yards, while he steered Dory to win the Standard Chartered Trophy (400yds) Sea Fish Trophy (700yds) Chartres Plate (500yds) and Salvador Prize (Champion Race 800yds); with a 3rd on Shekinah in the Malcom Binnie Memorial.

While Croatia and Dory dominated the Open Events, the Falkland Island Bred horse races were evenly distributed with Esconsee fully justifying the promise of her owner Keith Whitney and his son

Tyronne, the animals regular jockey.

Last years Maiden Plate runner-up unwisely took on Dory in the Standard Chartered finishing second, but recovered to take the A.G. Barton prize during the lightly raced 1st day. On day 2, Esconsee won the Malcom Binnie Memorial and the Falkland Chase before turning in a scintillating performance in the Victor Summers (Champion Race) leaving the rest of the field trailing. Esconsee is now expected challenge the best of the West and travel to Port Howard for the February sports meeting there, and who would bet against a Governors Cup victory for the Whitneys?

There was considerable in the performance of the Chilean mare Watcha (Orphan) and the Mysteria Maria (Mary Mystery) which Maurice Davis recently imported from Chile to, as he put it 'take on Don Bonner's horses'. Watcha

ridden by Sharon Halford won the Maiden Plate but that was the only major success for the Davis stable. Mysteria Maria was not disgraced by taking second place to Dory in the Sea Fish Trophy and Croatia in the Rose mile, while Watcha also lost out to Croatia in the Darwin shipping Race. No doubt both horses and their owner will have benefited from this first year experience and much more will be seen of both lovely looking mares next year. (Mysteria Maria was voted the best turned out horse in the Maiden Plate).

Neil Watson, runner-up in the Jockeys Championship, was dumped by Kallioah, but got up to steer Sandown to victories in the Argos Gallop and the Chief Executives Plate. (3rd year in succession that this horse has achieved the Argos/C Executive double) and the Berkeley Sound Plate, and was only narrowly beaten by Ron Binnies Miss Money Penny in the

Capital House Cup. Sandowns owner and normal jockey Stuart Morrison missed the meeting. Sharka, offspring of the double Governors Cup winner Sally, also gave Neil a victory in the P.S.C prize and featured in the most exciting finishes of the meeting, but having to be content with the runners-up place to Miss Money Penny in the Des Peck Memorial, Esconsee in the Malcom Binnie Memorial, and Michelle Evans tough veteran Quint in the Speedwell Store prize.

Another jockey who will be pleased with his horses achievements during the meeting will be Tony McMullen of Goose Green as Porsche had a shock victory in the Kempton Park Race and went on to take the runners-up prize in the A.G. Barton & Victor Summers Champion Race.

The West Falklander challenger, Raymond Evans Channaine, again fully vindicated the owners decision to send the Pebble Island mare to Stanley. Charmaine took the 300yd Troop Race which attracted such a large field of 21 that an 'A' & 'B' race had to be organized in the interests of the jockeys safety. The Pebble bred speedster took second place in the JBG and 3rd in the SCB events.

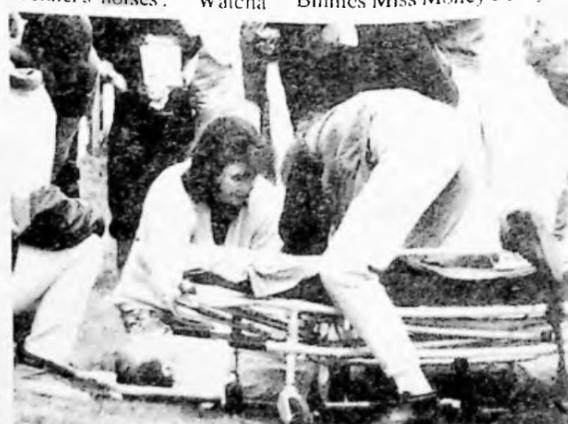
The 1992 Maiden Plate winner Miss Money Penny from Fitzroy, which promised much but has generally disappointed since, had a splendid meeting and after several 2nds, Ron Binnie finally won a red rosette after winning the Des Peck Memorial. Success also came in the Capital House Cup for Miss

Top row:
Left: Ladies tug-of-war,
Middle: Sandra Lang
hangs on in the Gymkhana

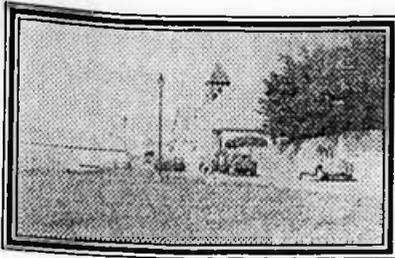
Right: Neil Watson
romping home on
Sandown.

Right:
Tim Bonner leads the
field...again!

Bottom right:
A well-deserved last
beer for SSA Chair-
man, Mike Summers
and Lisa Riddell, an
early casualty, returns
to the course on
crutches



Farleft: Roddy looks on while Morris and Nicky prepare to drown sorrows. Near left: Arthur Turner takes it lying down.



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Births in KEMH:

December

6th. To David and Leona, a son, Nicholas, Daniel Roberts.
9th. To Jeanette and Bruce, a daughter, Laura Elizabeth Millar.
13th. To Christine and William, a son, Asa William Davies.

Marriages:

November

19th. Christopher James Ford and Sara McPhee, Cathedral, Stanley.
24th. Frank Alexander Jaffray and Elaine Michelle Johnson, Malvina House, Stanley.
26th. Trevor Alan Morris and Michelle Jane Goodwin at Manybranch Port Howard.

December

3rd. Paul Watson and Ruth Jane Crowie, St. Mary's Stanley.
9th. Gary McGill and Diana Mary Berntsen at home in Stanley.
17th. Robert Hugh Bullock Hall and Diane Cheek, Cathedral, Stanley.
24th. Gina Michelle Berntsen and Gary Bernard Tyrrell, Cathedral, Stanley
31st. Lucinda Vikki Watts and Saul Gregory Robinson Pitaluga, Cathedral Stanley

Deaths:

November:

26th. Simon Summers, aged 17yrs, at Great Ormond Street Hospital, London.

December:

3rd. Sydney Russell Lyse, aged 80 yrs, in Stanley.
4th. Andrew Nutt Cartmel, aged 61 yrs, in Goose Green.
7th. Margaret Mary Halliday (nee McLeod), aged 68 yrs, in Stanley.

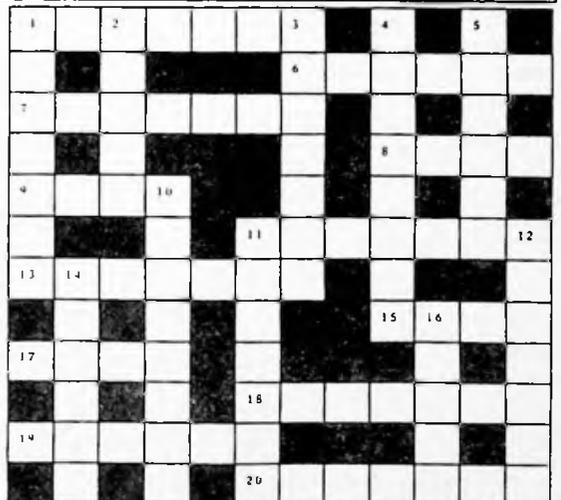
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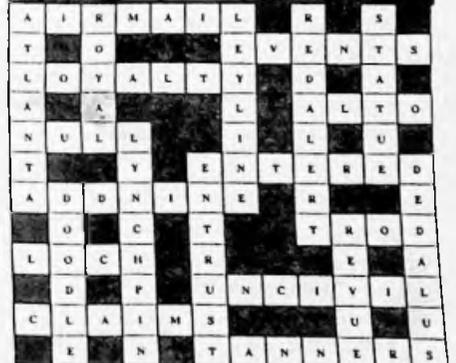
1. Runs long-playing record in goals at Sports? (7)
6. Again! shouted the French (6)
7. Literally, less than not a lot (7)
8. Change a letter and turn achievement's peak into a teenage plague (4)
9. Turn to be smaller than rest (anag) (4)
11. Ted and Vi in among the chosen (7)
13. Be merciful, give ten to Neil (7) (anag)
15. Commonly inebriated amphibian (4)
17. Mixed up and maybe mis-spelled cost of Caledonia or the Antarctic. (4)
18. Describes a silly pursuit (7)
19. Calm, like Her Unruffled Highness, the Queen Mother (6)
20. "Old Salts" watery graveyard (4,3)

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1. Very wide-spread senior officer (7)
2. Old language of South American lovers or types showing metal in Los Angeles?(5)
3. Cut, like an orange (3)
4. Happening to rise to, now and then (8)
5. Royal singer turned into a squiggle (6)
10. Significant age, unlucky for some. (8)
11. All stirred up to riot when across swapped a letter (7)
12. This doctor wants us all tallied in Argentina (2,5)
14. Begin in council then go over the limit (6)
16. Goes out with illuminated signs (5)



Last month's solution



Taking a wander round Gypsy Cove with Falklands Conservation



FALKLANDS CONSERVATION has much more in mind than just protecting wildlife, Mike Bingham reported in a recent article (See Penguin News, Nov. 26th, 1994). They are working to ensure that travellers, visitors and tourists enjoy to the maximum wandering about the Falklands' beautiful wildlife areas, while safeguarding both the birds and animals, and themselves.

One very welcome fruit of all this effort is an outline map offering a route from Yorke Bay to Gypsy Cove and Ordnance Point, and on to Tussock Point, listing species (with small drawings) to be encountered along the way. On a recent weekend, Penguin News went along with Tim Stenning - one of two full-time F.C. workers - to try it out.

Abandoning the landrover at point "P", where a gatepost has a box of free maps attached to it, we walked a few steps eastward to number "1" on the map, alongside the barbed wire fence which encloses the smoothly attractive curve and virginal white sand of Yorke Bay beach. Frequent signs along the barbed wire state that,

though the area is not known to be mined, it is considered extremely dangerous.

However, "While the cat's away....". Undisturbed by human interlopers, many bird species have adopted Yorke Bay for their playground. Through his binoculars, Tim spotted, in just one small area of beach, logger ducks, jackass penguins, oyster catchers, terns, grey ducks and a kelp gull. Much closer to the fence, many jackass penguins had dug their burrows.



Flora enthusiasts could find, besides the large variety of ferns and grasses, wild celery and native boxwood. One large patch had been virtually taken over by pale maidens. Tussock grass, un nibbled by animals, was spreading inland from the shores.

Near Gypsy Cove, the protection changes: the barbed wire is gone, and the signs warn against drifting mines which may have been washed ashore; otherwise the area is thought to be safe.

In a gorge just north of Gypsy Cove, night herons nest on the north side, while rock shags make a spectacular display on the almost vertical south face. This is a real "show stopper", though the herons' side is a bit gloomy for photography.

Terns, little ground tyrants, and a kelp gander also put in an appearance.

The trip took about an hour and three-quarters, door to door. It provides a lovely stroll, especially in the superb weather which we enjoyed. For maximum pleasure, a knowledgeable guide, such as Tim, makes all the difference.

Falklands Cookery by Jenny Luxton

I AM SURE I am not the only one suffering from a major expansion of the waist line after overindulging during the festive season - still the gardens are coming on and there are lots of fresh vegetables around.

Fish is plentiful at this time of year and helps the diet!

Baked Mullet

Fillet medium sized mullet. Chop up several rashers of bacon and onion, fry in a small amount of olive oil. Make fresh breadcrumbs. To this mixture add parsley (or other herbs), chives, salt and pepper.

Put the mullet fillets into a greased oven proof dish, squeeze lemon juice over fish and spread crumb mixture. Bake in a moderate oven until cooked

Serve with new potatoes and a green salad

Rhubarb Mousse

Stew rhubarb in a small amount of water and sugar to taste (it is better to be on the tart side)

Melt a raspberry jelly in a small amount of boiling water and top up with rhubarb mixture. Approximately 1.5 pints of liquid and fruit for one jelly.

Liquidise jelly and fruit until frothy - pour into small dishes, leave to set, then decorate.

Part 1 of our serialisation of one of the Falklands great adventure stories

"How I survived" by George Hansen retold by John Leonard

(A true tale of a fifteen year old boy's encounters with the hazards of travel in the Falklands in the early part of this century)

THE SLIM cutter staggered and reeled in the heaving Antarctic seas. Gusts of wind lashed her; huge waves pitched her at will. The mainsail was out full, and the skipper had no means of reefing it. It was bad enough that his two crew members were inexperienced; worse still, they were hopelessly drunk. He would have been as well off totally alone.

Shelter lay to the west, but the gale drove them out to sea. With that much sail out, the skipper well knew, there was no hope of bringing the ship around into the wind. The only chance would be a manoeuvre called "wearing", in which the ship turns away from the wind and then crosses it at right angles, each time gaining a little upwind. The tactic was lengthy and by no means sure-fire, but he had no choice. The men would have to do their best.

As he started to bring the slim ship around, he shouted to his crew to lower the gaff. The two men scurried to the ropes and tried to execute the order, but the gaff was jammed at the top; nothing they could do would budge it. They were in the midst of futile efforts to jar it loose when the skipper saw the main boom starting to swing. He shouted a warning, swallowed by the wind; then the great boom whipped around and snapped out on the other side. The cutter shuddered and leaned, and in that moment a giant wave filled the mainsail belly. With a great wrench, the mainsail and boom tore away from the mast. They lay half overboard, the boom end pounding dangerously against the side of the slender cutter.

Thus the boat which was supposed to be taking me to where I would earn my livelihood, brought me, instead, to the pit of disaster and tragedy at sea.

To paint the scene of my adventure in a bit more detail, we must go back to July, 1908, when as a boy of fifteen years, I was stuck in Port Stanley. Although I was scarcely aware of it, seafaring was already in my blood. My father had been a sailor who liked the look of Stanley when his vessel arrived here; ran away and hid in a cave until his ship had sailed. Then he came out and got himself a job - there was more work than people to do it - and in time he married my mother, whose family had come out here from England before she was born. They raised ten children, of which I



The young hero of this story, seated third from right, with his companions rescued off the coast of Chubut in 1908, after 54 days adrift.

My mother had died the year before my story opens, and most of my family had gone to settlements throughout the islands, to work as shepherds, roustabouts or maids. My father had arranged a job for me also, as house-boy for one of the farm managers on the West Island, but I had no way of getting there as the schooner was not due for at least another month.

I felt lonely and discouraged that morning as I walked the streets of Port Stanley. How tiny and bleak it looked - a mere 150 houses overlooking the harbour, which was jammed with sailing vessels waiting for repairs. Known as "lame ducks", they were mostly victims of storms encountered while rounding Cape Horn.

Then around the corner came Archie Miller, and my life changed. He was a welcome sight. About 25 years old - clean cut and clean spoken, he was well liked in town. Recently he had been mate on a schooner operating in the Falklands until it was blown onto rocks and smashed to wreckage in a particularly vicious gale. Since then he had been spending much of his time with the pretty daughter of my landlady.

I told him my problem, and - wonder of wonders - he had a solution. With two partners, he had rented a cutter, the "Progres", to go sealing, which was potentially a gold mine. Having completed minor repairs, they were planning to sail at noon that same day, and one of their early stops would be at Fox Bay for provisions. There it would be easy for me to borrow a horse and ride the rest of the way to my new employer.

I hurried home, packed my few belongings, and was down at the jetty well before 12 o'clock. Only Archie was there; he rowed me out to the cutter in a dinghy, and we stowed away our gear, lit the galley fire, hoisted the flag, and saw that things were shipshape.

She was a lovely, trim craft, single-masted, about 24 tons. The tiller, which was managed with a

lovely afternoon sunshine, we clipped eastward around Volunteer Point. Standing beside Archie, who was at the helm, I was quietly grateful - for the beautiful weather, and to be at last en route to my job. Below deck, John and Jim were sampling their stock.

Because of this, Archie steered hard to port slightly before dark and made for the shelter of Cow Bay, in hopes that after a night's rest his crew might be a bit more seaworthy. With the sea gently lapping at the hull, the older men prattled away, draining their bottles, while Archie and I sat more or less silently and drank almost nothing. Jim and John had had their share of adventures; neither one had either wife or family, and their stories were as salty as the sea around us. Jim Louis seemed to be a kindly man, attached to his animals, but John McLaughlin was a dry, bitter sort, with no apparent love for anything or anyone, not even himself. They paid little attention to me - I was too young. We turned in early, Archie hoping to make an early morning getaway. But the morning dawned grey and threatening, and the glass was falling ominously. It was the sort of weather to breed a gale, so Archie decided to hold up for a while. We disposed of a few odd jobs, and then John and Jim, who had been looking sorrowfully sober, went back to their bottles. They stuck to it through the morning, and by afternoon they were well under again.

Archie had a difficult choice: to delay, and watch his crew get more drunk, or get moving and risk the gale. By late afternoon he decided in favour of the sea; we hoisted anchor and got under way once more.

Archie would have none of it, and as skipper and chief shareholder in the enterprise (John and Jim, who had no funds to speak of, would pay their shares out of the profits), he could crack the whip. Suddenly they joined us in the dinghy, and Archy rowed us out to the Progres. I couldn't help smiling at the care with which they stowed their gear in the cabin, and the gentle clinks which betrayed what most of their contents were.

At last everything and everyone was aboard (including the dinghy), and we were ready to sail. We carried only a light load of provisions, in view of the ease with which they could be replaced. It was a decision which, in a little while, we would deeply regret.

Archie ordered us to hoist anchor, and slowly we sailed out of the harbour. In a fresh wind and



Saved from the sea, but on trial (Continued over-leaf)

Falklands Philatelic by S.G

Falkland Islands Company Emergency Mail 1972

BEHIND the modest-looking hand stamps of the Falkland Islands Company lies a strange and remarkable chapter in the postal history of the Falklands.

Towards the end of 1971 it was found that there was a danger of the stock of one pence stamps running out. In order to preserve stocks of stamps an arrangement was made with the FIC, who were the largest users of this stamp, (for their monthly bills) to post their mail without stamps, in return for handing over to the Post Office all its stock of one pence stamps.

From 3rd April until 31st May 1971 the FIC used either its

oval shaped office hand stamp or the rectangular West Store hand stamp. A total of 2306 envelopes were produced with the FIC keeping a very careful record of their use.

When a new issue of stamps occurred on June 1st 1972 the hand stamps were delivered to the Post Office and destroyed.

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(Continuing from overleaf, the first instalment of our true-life adventure serial "How I Survived" by George Hansen, and retold by John Leonard)

With the wind freshening steadily, we rounded Volunteer Point around six in the evening and started on our northerly course. It was quite dark then; the sky was overcast, and now and then we had light rain or snow squalls. It looked like a dirty night ahead. Archie seemed a bit nervous; he was forever checking items on the ship. He made a point of staying on deck when Jim was at the helm. The older man was too inexperienced to trust in a crisis.

Early in the evening, with the weather deteriorating rapidly, Archie called John back up on deck. Together, the two older men, still semi-drunk, were not very effective, but they were better than nothing when it came to handling sails.

Well before midnight, the gale, which we had been dreading, struck with full fury, lashing us with rain and snow squalls. Now, for the first time, I began to feel a bit afraid - I had never been in anything quite like this before, and Archie's tightly drawn face offered no reassurance.

A short time later he told us that, despite the obvious hazards, we would have to attempt to return to the shelter of Cow Bay. At this admission of danger, Jim and John began haranguing him for insisting on leaving there in the first place. He didn't bother to reply.

Abreast of the point, with the Progres's sails full out, Archie tried unsuccessfully to turn upwind to the shelter of the bay. His crew attempted to reef the mainsail, but of course they were utterly hopeless. Neither able nor willing to stand, they crawled around the deck on their hands and knees, until Archie told them to stop. I have seldom seen a sight as pathetic as those two men, frozen with fear, scrambling around deck like children playing horse.

Then disaster struck. Attempting to "wear" the cutter, Archie told Jim and John to lower the topsail as he tried to bring her around. Suddenly the great boom started to swing around, caught the wind, and snapped out, just as a giant wave filled the mainsail's belly. The wrenching was as terrible as it was sudden. One moment we were on a nice, trim cutter, fit for sailing; the next it was a sea cripple, wallowing under a mass of wreckage and debris. Mainsail and boom alike were ripped from the mast, bringing down the topmast as well. Tangled ropes, shreds of sail, and bits of mast and boom littered the deck, while the main boom hung mainly overboard, its end pounding dangerously against the side

of the Progres as each new wave struck.

Shouting to me to take over the tiller, Archie dived below deck for an axe. Then he was back on deck, chopping like a madman, until the boom and sails had gone into the sea. We cleared the deck of the remaining litter, and then Archie took stock of the situation.

Only a fore staysail, useless for sailing, was left. We were at the mercy of the sea and the elements. If they blew us toward land, or another vessel spotted us, we might be saved; if not, we could all die.

With most of our sail gone, Archie could now turn the cutter more into the wind, and then lashed the tiller in place. Then, typically, he first told me how much we had to be thankful for. For one thing, if the boom had not broken away, doubtless the cutter would have capsized then and there, and we would have drowned.

Noting his calm manner, I felt somewhat better. We took the first watch together, and as the boat bobbed like a cork in the ocean (we had little ballast, and almost no load at all), we saw the light flash from Pembroke lighthouse, just outside Stanley. Archie took a bearing on it; unknown to us, it was to be our last sight of the Falklands for a very long time.

We made many a cup of coffee to cheer us during the night. Had we realized how we would be tried to the last ounce of our endurance, we would not have squandered those precious drops.

The wind drove us steadily away from land during the next few days. The Progres pitched and tossed in the choppy seas, while we sat in the cabin - all but the man on watch - and told one another gloomy stories. With their liquor supply finally used up, John and Jim were depressed. One story they told was of a Mr. Newman and his very young son, who drifted at sea for 64 days, with only a load of swede turnips to keep them alive, before they were saved. It sounded ghastly, but the time would come when I would envy them those turnips.

On the fifth day a sail broke the horizon, and a lovely three-master came into view. She was a beautiful sight, racing with the wind, but alas, no help to us. Though we flew distress signals, we knew from the start that she would be unable to manoeuvre to save us in that great, heaving sea. She passed us about two miles away, her people crowded at the rail, staring at us. A little of our hope seemed to vanish as we watched that slim craft disappear over the horizon (to be continued)

Monarch Exploration (Falklands Ltd)

YOU WILL shortly be receiving a prospectus inviting you to invest in the first oil and gas exploration company to be registered in the Falkland Islands.

As you are probably aware the first round of licensing for oil and gas exploration is due to be announced this year. It is normal practice in the oil industry for oil companies to come together to form groups to spread the high cost and risk of oil and gas exploration. With this in mind, the Directors of Monarch believe that a Falkland Island Company which has a significant number of Falkland Islanders as share holders would be an attractive partner to the larger oil companies which will be forming groups and applying for licenses. The intention would be to join at least one and possibly more of the groups who will be applying for licenses.

Because the Directors believe that participation by the Falkland Islanders is desirable, shares are being offered in the company at a low cost, just 10p, and with a minimum subscription for 250 shares this means an investment of £25 is being requested. Of course any individual may apply for more shares if they wish. Because the Directors do not know whether or not the group (or groups) the Company may join will be successful in their License application(s) the Directors have decided to call up only 2p per share initially which represents a down payment of £5 for the minimum subscription of 250 shares. However, if the Company is successful in its License application(s) the Directors will call up the balance due on the shares; a further 8p per share which would be £20 on a minimum subscription of 250 shares.

Oil and gas exploration is a very expensive business costing millions and the Company will have to try to raise the bulk of the finance necessary to participate in an exploration programme from institutional and other investors. This will necessarily dilute the shareholders interests but the Directors believe that if oil is discovered in commercial quantities an investment in Monarch would be profitable.

It must be stated of course that investing in oil and gas exploration is a high risk and long term business and it is unlikely there would be any quick returns, however the Directors hope that you will decide to join the company for what may become a very exciting time in the future of the Falkland Islands.

This advertisement does not constitute an offer to buy shares in the company but is designed to draw attention to the prospectus which will contain such an offer. If for any reason you have not received a copy of the prospectus by the 20th of January and you would like one, please contact the offices of Ledingham Chalmers at 56 John Street, Stanley. Phone 22690

This advertisement is placed by the Board of Monarch Exploration (Falklands) Limited.

Clifton: a new name emerges in Stanley steer-riding

our report by Patrick Watts



Neil Clifton: probably the most stylish rider around

A NEW NAME emerged in the art of steer riding as Kevin Clifton romped to an easy 4 point victory in the annual competition held in conjunction with the Christmas sports meeting.

Kevin scored the maximum of ten in each of the three sections - those being the use of his spurs, for riding out the full ten seconds and for his stylish performance while he was awarded nine out of ten for the aggressive nature of the animal he rode. A further 5 points went his way for dismounting and landing on his feet.

The event held at the Stanley Butchery and organized this year by Ben Bensten and Ted Jones attracted 15 intrepid riders includ-

ing 2 novices who both rode well and achieved credible 5th and 7th with Dave Ellis just edging out Tony Little for the Novice Prize awarded by Falkland Printz.

Following Kevin Clifton was Craig Clarke who did everything possible to make his steer jump and ended up with 40 points and the runners-up position. Just one point further back was James Butler who had the misfortune to draw a steer which took much persuading to perform on the day.

Neil Clifton, brother of Kevin, maintain the family tradition with a superb ride (he's probably the most stylish rider around at the moment) and totalled 36 points and 4th place.

The steers once again provided by Ron Binnie of Fitzroy and brought to Stanley by Colin Summers and several helpers were a mixture of veterans and newcomers and performed accordingly with several good riders having the misfortune to draw less wild animals which could not be encouraged to raise more than a few initial twists and turns.

Once again the competition attracted a very large crowd and the perimeter of the paddock was fully lined by vehicles some 30 minutes before the first steer was released from the chute which took a battering on the day and which had temporary repairs administered at various times.

Steer Riding Competition Results

Open	
1st. Kevin Clifton	44pts
2nd. Craig Clarke	40pts
3rd. James Butler	39pts.
4th. Neil Clifton	36pts
Novice	
Dave Ellis	30pts
Tony Little	25pts.

Full sports results in the next issue of Penguin News

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Grey skies could not dampen the raft racers - they did it themselves!

GREY CLOUDS and the fact that a majority of the town's population had been 'seeing in' the New Year until the early hours, did not stop a good crowd gathering on Ross Road to view the annual New Year's Day Raft Race, organised as always by the Sea Cadets.

A delay to the start of half an hour to allow church services to finish gave plenty of scope for water fights between the ten or so rafts, which appeared at the start

line, some sporting mechanical aid in the form of outboards and one even having a stern paddle wheel.

First was Peter McKay's raft, second the Timmy Tri-Star flight, 3rd an entry from HMS Dumbar-ton Castle and the Sea Cadets were given 4th for effort!

Despite sabotage and with assistance from other craft and even one frogman, all the rafts completed the course from the Government Jetty to the Public Jetty.



The scene at the start of the race

Cyclists safer on the road

TRAINING sessions for child cyclists, conducted by Police Leading Constable Sue Howes, were climaxed on Wednesday afternoon, December 28th, when four youngsters turned up to take their Cycling Proficiency Test.

As a result, Kimberley Steen and Donna Ford qualified to receive Cycling Proficiency Certificates when they return to school following the holiday.

The two remaining children were to receive further coaching in the week after Christmas to assist them to qualify as well.

"I can't be flexible about this," said Sue. "There's no point in giving a certificate unless the children have earned it."

The course, which consists of seven 1-1/2 hour sessions prior to the test, is designed to give children between the ages of nine and eleven, from the Infant-Junior School, a basic understanding of the Highway Code, and to ensure that they are safe on the road.

One problem, she pointed out was the lack of road markings, which makes it difficult to teach cycling proficiency. Another is the fact that drivers are often inconsiderate and impatient, making conditions frightening for the young cyclists.



K. Barkman, D. Ford, P. Cant and K. Steen about to be tested on their cycling skills by PC Sue Howes

Regarding the small number of children taking the course, Sue pointed out that for a child to be registered, a parent must complete a form which specifies, among

other things, that the bicycle is in "a safe and roadworthy condition."

"What's happening is," said Sue, "lots of parents are eager for their child to take cycling proficiency, but when they come across this form, they suddenly realize that their child has to have a bicycle that's safe. Putting it into proper condition might cost money."

As a result, she pointed out, only sixteen children were enrolled for the course, and considering the hazards of forgetfulness etc., exactly four made it to the final test.

She urged all children to wear suitable helmets, preferably of British manufacture.

MPA Open Day

BRITISH FORCES FALKLAND ISLANDS will be holding an "Open Day" on Saturday 25 February 1995 to which all are welcome. Profits from the day will be donated to local charities.

Certain details are still to be finalised, but sufficient is known to be able to provide an overview of the day's events. The programme will be split between MPA and Mare Harbour, and the proposed programme will be as follows:

1000 hrs
Open day begins at MPA.
Static displays/Stalls/ Craft Fair/ FIGAS Flights.
1100hrs
Police Dog display
1130 hrs
"Hot Refuelling" display, Chinook
1145-1215 hrs
Flying Display, F3 Tornado/C130 Hercules/ Lynx & Chinook
FIDF v RIC Attack
Demonstration
1200-1330 hrs
Auction viewing (main items) - MPA Cast Park
1300 hrs
Auction viewing (other items) - Mare Harbour Transit Shed
1330-1500 hrs
Navy Static display - Mare Harbour
1330-1350 hrs
Flying Programme-Mare Harbour Sea King/ Lynx
1400 hrs
Auction in Transit Shed Mare

Harbour
1445 hrs
Tug-O-War
1500 hrs Open Day finishes

Stall spaces are still available for rent at a flat rate of £10; stall holders keep their own profits. Major Charlie Lane, the Civil/Military Liaison Officer, is available at Hillside Camp to provide further information, and Squadron Leader Richard Soven will take your bookings. He can be contacted on MPA extension 6453.

As in previous years an auction will be held, and time has been allowed in the programme for pre-viewing of items before the start of the auction at 1400 hrs. Larger items can be viewed from 1200 hrs in the MPA Cast Park, and the remainder at 1300 hrs in the Mare Harbour Transit Shed. An auction catalogue should be available by 11th February 1995. Further information, plus a map showing the main areas of interest, will be available in the Open day programme which can be purchased on the day.

Parking at both locations will be plentiful and a shuttle bus service will operate throughout the day between MPA and Mare Harbour. Soft drinks, fast food and refreshments will also be available.

Further information, and confirmation of the days events, will be published as and when it becomes available.

TV Clothes Show in Falklands confirmed for February

IT HAS BEEN CONFIRMED that the Clothes Show are coming to Town on Tuesday 14th February until Wednesday 22nd February. This is an exceptional opportunity, not only for the Falkland Mill, but more importantly for knitters and crafts people of the Islands. Indeed the programme will present an excellent medium to promote culture and way of life of the Falkland Islands and with a viewing audience of some 10 million the exposure value is immense. The principal theme of the programme is sheep, looking at the fanning, shearing, processing and manufacturing, emphasising the sweater as a final product. The principal presenter Jeff Banks is a hugely successful commercial designer and is now a TV star in his own right.

Jeff will be carrying out some preliminary sweater designs in the UK and is very keen to receive input from any designers in the Islands, in the immediate term. FIDC will supply contact numbers and will send faxes on behalf of designers and craft people who wish to put forward ideas and concepts. The objective will be to produce a readily identifiable and representative Falkland Islands sweater design, whether it be in terms of style, pattern, colours or

combinations thereof.

This is not a competition and will be a combination of ideas from all comers, but co-ordinated by Jeff Banks and we must be guided by his technical and commercial skills. The final design will not be the property of any one person or organisation and will be used to the ultimate benefit of the Falkland Islands knitwear industry.

There will be a requirement for models and a fashion show will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday 21st February.

It is early days and we have only received a limited amount of information from the Clothes show presenters regarding their requirements. Details will be made available as we receive them, but in the meantime we must make our own preparations and in doing so gauge the level of local interest.

With this initial objective in mind, a meeting will be held at the Community School at 7.00pm on Monday 9th January. It is hoped that we will have more information to pass on at that time, but we wish to participate, whether their interests lie in design, knitting-related clothing or accessory crafts, hairdressing, make-up, modelling, flowers, stage back drops, general help etc.

UK NEWSLETTER By Sir Rex Hunt

Starting 1995 no better and no worse - not everyone can claim the same

I PLAYED my first game of golf in 1995 this morning. There was a hard frost overnight, the bunkers were like concrete, and the greens as unpredictable as those at Stanley Golf Club. I played well over my handicap, which remains stuck at 21.

One of my New Year resolutions is to get it down to 18. A modest enough ambition, you may say, but one that I have failed to achieve for the past four years. I suppose that, at my age, I should derive comfort from the fact that, although it has not gone down, neither has it gone up. I start the year no better, but no worse.

There must be many who wish they could say the same. It has been a bad year, for example, for Royalty, Major, Clinton, and Yeltsin. The Tory party's rating in the opinion polls was the lowest ever. The United Nations did not exactly cover themselves in glory, and the European Union seemed anything but united. The Prime Minister of Bosnia accused us of

being indifferent, indecisive and cowardly - a view with which few would disagree. The western world was roundly castigated for not doing enough for the refugees from Rwanda. Too little, too late, was the cry. It was hardly the bright new world that we envisaged with the collapse of the USSR and the ending of the cold war.

One of my pet moans is the way the media follow one another around like a flock of vultures. In the days before jets and satellite communications, newspapers had their own resident correspondents or used press agencies to give us a balanced selection of world news. Now, there must be one juicy carcass upon which the world's leading journalists descend to saturate us with their pickings until the next one is spotted. Today Chechnya has pushed Bosnia off the front page; tomorrow, who knows? It took the threat of a suicidal crashing of an Air France plane on Paris to bring the Algerian civil war into the world's

spotlight. What is happening now in Somalia, Angola, Sri Lanka, Kashmir, Pakistan, Timor, Kuwait, Iraq, Iran, the Yemen, Cambodia, Azerbaijan, and some of the ex-colonies of the USSR? I can't believe that all is peace and quiet simply because they have not hit the headlines lately.

One must conclude that the world is in a worse condition now than it was at the beginning of 1994 - with two, possibly three, notable exceptions. South Africa somehow managed to hand over power from white to black without the bloodbath that had been predicted. Mandela and de Klerk deserve a place in history for that. So do Arafat and Rabin for shaking hands on a peace treaty for Palestine. And Major and Reynolds have brought a halt to the killings in Northern Ireland (and to the IRA bombing of the mainland). All these agreements are fragile and may not last long into 1995; but what once seemed impossible has been achieved.

We can go into 1995 with at least a glimmer of hope for mankind.

Turning to nearer home, I hope that, for most of you, 1994 turned out better than expected. As chairman of the Falkland Islands Association, I received the best possible Christmas present with the news from Councillor John Cheek that our annual grant has been substantially increased. It is my duty to see that you get value for money.

To end, as I began, with golf. We were fortunate to be invited to lunch (but not to sail) on the QE2 on the day she left Southampton on her ill-fated voyage to New York. The guest of honour was the Duke of York and I asked him if he had beaten President Menem when they played golf together during his recent visit to Argentina. He smiled and explained that they had played on the same side. That's diplomacy for you!

The Estancia Shearing Competition report by Ailsa Heathman

THE ESTANCIA Shearing Competition took place this year on December 29. Initially cloudy, the day became warm and sunny; a pleasant surprise for shearers and spectators alike. Sadly, not many of either category turned up. A working day in Stanley would account for the shortage of spectators, but what was the shearers' excuse?

Lack of entries for the Novice and Junior Classes saw shearing go straight into the Intermediate Competition with seven entrants. Mark Summers emerged as the winner with 114.5 points off, Jan Clarke was second with 134.5 points off, Charles Dickson 3rd with 137.9 points off and Christopher Lee was 4th with 146.6 points off.

There was an additional prize in this class kindly donated by Mr Murray Christie for the best trainee shearer. After much deliberation it was decided to present this prize to the shearer with the best board and pen score sheets and disregard the time element. It was felt that this might save a shearer a lot of penalty points for time, when Murray's shearing courses had obviously been to promote good shearing rather than speed. Jan Clarke was the recipient of this prize.

There were twenty entries in the Open Competition from which Hugh Grierson triumphed after being in the finals each year. Hugh had 107.15 points off (time: 11.43) with John Beer in 2nd place with 113.1 points off (time: 13.32). John Jones was 3rd, with 120.85 points off (time: 12.47), and Richard Short was 4th, with 132.3 points off (time: 14.26).

The Cleanest Pen of Sheep over the whole competition went to John Jones with an incredible 8.

As there were no juniors or novices, the prizes were offered to an "Old Duffers" competition. The "Old Duffers" were Michael Clarke, Tony Heathman, Patrick Bemtens and Peter Goss. Patrick emerged as Champion Duffer, followed by Peter Goss, with Tony Heathman just taking 3rd place, 1 point ahead of Michael Clarke.

The licensed bar was again in the capable hands of Ray and Marlene Newman, while Jeannie and Mike McKay cooked the day away with an excellent barbecue. A "hangi" was laid on as usual in the morning and cooked slowly all day. The wire baskets were lifted after the prize-giving and the contents carved for all to enjoy. It consisted of 27 lbs. of turkey, 15 lbs. of trout, 4 roasts of beef, a bag of spuds and 3 cabbages, plus packages of the famous stuffing. I think Kath & Dags were largely responsible for the hangi, again with help from the other Kiwi experts.

We wish to thank everyone who helped in any way. It is a long day for judges, and the helpers in the back pens particularly, and without the first class coordination of Mr. Brook Hardecastle, the competition would have been nowhere near so successful. The generosity of donors is also very pleasing, and without the participants there would be no competition.

Many thanks to everyone.



Mark Summers intermediate class winner

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Iain Stewart

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out.

POSTSCRIPT FROM ST. MARY'S

FEELINGS of guilt can weigh us
down, and so can resentment over
past hurts. But we ought not to
give in to negative thinking. What's
done is done.

Once we repent, God forgives
and forgets. We can discipline
ourselves to trust in God's mercy
and goodness. When plagued by
past mistakes, you ought to say
"I'm not going to think about that
anymore". Move on, and do what
you are doing.

We are in a better position to
forgive those who offend us, if we
are more forgiving of ourselves.
We can free ourselves of resent-
ment, spite, anger and hatred by

praying for the grace to forgive,
even when we do not feel like
forgiving. True forgiveness is not
in the feelings but in the will. The
fact that we sincerely want to for-
give means that we have actually
forgiven the person in our heart.
Good feelings will follow, though
not necessarily right away.

*Forgive others, and God will
forgive you. Give to others, and
God will give to you. Indeed, you
will receive a full measure, a gen-
erous helping, poured into your
hands - all that you can hold. The
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(Luke 6, 37-38)*

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Commonwealth MPs celebrate 150 years of Falklands Government

"DEMOCRACY is a very bad form of government, but all the others are so much worse."

Quoting Sir Winston Churchill, British representative, Sir Andrew Bowden, MBE MP (Conservative) welcomed fellow delegates from the British Islands and Mediterranean Region to the first session of the Commonwealth Parliamentary

Association Seminar - the first such gathering ever to be held in the Falkland Islands.

In keeping with the CPA purpose of providing "the sole means of regular consultation among Members of Commonwealth Parliaments", seeking to "foster understanding and co-operation among them", and promoting "the study of and

respect for parliament," the specific purpose of this meeting was to celebrate 150 years of representative government in the Falkland Islands.

Representatives from Malta, the United Kingdom, the Isle of Man, Guernsey, Gibraltar, Jersey, St. Helena and the Commonwealth Secretariat arrived on Tuesday, January 17,

to join with H.E. the Governor and seven Councillors in a three-day conference, interspersed with a wreath-laying ceremony at the 1982 Liberation Monument, a public reception, visits to points of interest in Stanley and Camp, and consultations with local officials.

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FIG seek PR help in "getting the right message through the right channels"

FIG has been taking steps since November to recruit a firm of Public Relations specialists to represent Falkland Islands interests, Chief Executive Andrew Gurr told *Penguin News* earlier this week.

The process, which was prompted by Mr Gurr's own awareness of the difference between the British public's perceptions of the Falklands and the realities which he encountered as a new arrival, began in November, when an initial document was sent to a number of Public Relations companies, inviting their interest.

As a result of a lively response to this initial approach, an invitation to tender was prepared and sent out in December, which had elicited tenders from around twelve companies by the end of the tender period on Wednesday night.

A selection committee consisting of the Chief Executive, Mike Summers, John Cheek and Phyl Rendell will meet next week to attempt to whittle out a short list of four or five, who will be invited to make a more detailed presentation at the FIG London office at a time to coincide with the Chief Executive's forthcoming visit to the UK. Another selection board, including the Chief Executive, Dr. Nigel Fanning of BGS and Ian Cox of FIGO will look at these presentations with a view to making a final recommendation in time for the meeting of ExCo on February 28.

Agencies will be judged throughout on a number of criteria:

their previous "track record", the quality of their presentations, their ability to empathise with the situation of the Falklands and its people and the value for money that they seem to offer.

It was foreseen, said Mr Gurr, that the successful agency would need to be employed for no more than two years, by which time, if it had done its work well, the level of awareness in the world about the Falklands should have been returned to the high level of 1982.

The principal targets for its work would be: a) the population of the United Kingdom and its opinion formers; b) International business, but primarily companies in the oil and fishing industries c) the United Nations and its opinion formers and d) the South America Cone, especially Argentina.

Good Public Relations representation did not come cheap, said Mr Gurr, but it was in his view essential that the right message about the Falklands should be spread effectively and efficiently through the right channels and in the right places.

If an agency were appointed soon as he hoped, it would work closely with Sukey Cameron in the London Office, reporting to her on an almost daily basis, but this was not a task for which we had sufficient resources on our own.

An effective agency would be able to sample public opinion, approve messages with FIG and through better press contacts would be able to place those messages and enable a quicker reaction to stimuli world wide.



Break in at FIA Office politically motivated?

As yet unsubstantiated reports have reached *Penguin News* that a break-in at the London Office of the Falkland Island Association last week might have been politically rather than criminally

motivated.

The evidence for this conclusion would appear to be that an intruder whose identity is still unknown made off with documents rather than any items of cash value.

Graham and Janet prepare own PR tour in Argentina

TELLING the Argentine people about life in the Falklands since the war is the goal of a tour planned by Graham Bound and Janet Robertson to selected Argentine cities to take place in March.

The proposed lecture-slide-show tour will represent the first attempt by Islanders to present the Falklands picture to a broad spectrum of Argentinians. The two F.I. representatives hope for TV and radio interviews as well.

The idea, Graham told *Penguin News*, resulted from par-

icipation by Falkland Islanders, Lewis Clifton, Anna King and Stewart Wallace in the Argentine/British Conference in Mendoza last April, in which the Argentinians, predominantly academics and church representatives, appeared genuinely interested in hearing more about the

Editorial Mistake
Inadvertently we have referred to Mrs Milly Grant as Mrs Millie Anderson in the Editorial on Page 2. Apologies to both ladies



YOUR LETTERS.....

write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley

A Falkland Islander not available for "wiggling"

HEARING some of the broadcasts lately, prompted me to voice my feelings which I'm sure are felt by a majority of Islanders.

1. The "DEATH DITCH". Are the councillors prepared to share somebody else's grief, when their luck runs out on the M.P.A./Stanley road. Irrespective of some ridiculous ideas that are being 'dreamt' up, THAT DITCH SHOULD BE TURNED INTO A FRENCH DRAIN, BY FILLING IT WITH 'BIG ROCK'. Leave the Tarmac for advice from YET ANOTHER EXPERT! Bring one of the Coalas blokes back to sort it out - NOT sometime - NOW. In case our councillors didn't know, there are 57 potholes in that tarmac between MPA and Stanley. Note the Administration have just spent in the region of £41,000 to rig out that Portakabin on the Public Jetty. That money could have been put to the repair of the potholes on the MOST IMPORTANT road in the Islands, and could average, in a round figure £720 a hole to repair. I understand that an average of £50 a hole is estimated to be the cost. So what about the rest? Another party?

2. The planning permission was granted, irrespective of the objections that WERE made at the time, not only centred on the TIME the unit would remain there but suggested an alternative and MORE APPROPRIATE site, reference P.N. Vol 6 No.33 and Vol.6 No 36. Now we hear that the Administration are ALREADY considering applying for an extension to the planning permission, which expires in March. This should be stopped; they have plenty of time to build a permanent one before next November, when the tourist season starts. The toilets and waiting room are only open during OFFICE HOURS. Crew members awaiting coach transport to FIPASS, outside of Office hours, still have to use the 'beach' in the area of the plumbers shop, because the Public toilets and the waiting room doors are locked. So much for 'Public' conveniences!

3. On the 23rd June 1994, I received a 'Proposed Town Plan' for this area of Stanley, marked in big red letters CONFIDENTIAL. Now I hear the FIC also have one. Who else? Why all this secrecy, when it concerns OUR town, not those on a short term 'get rich quick' basis who clear off laughing only to find there is no work for them in their homeland - wonder why? Never mind, we can always CRAWL back, wearing the disguise under another hat. Seeing as the confidentiality of the administration's 'bad dream', seems to be blown, I feel I might be inclined to let the UK press have a copy of it.

Call me what you want! I'm a Falkland Islander, and not available for 'wiggling'.

B. Peck
(of the Philomel Store - on the HIT LIST!)

Argentine Association sexist tendencies

OBVIOUSLY the Association Civil, Americanos del Sur (a front for Dr di Tella?) feels that the women in the Falklands do not play a part in society. I am referring to their recent present of a video tape. I, like many of my female friends, was not sent a copy, unlike our male counterparts, who in some cases received two copies!!

I would just like to point out as a Falkland Islander that, I do not object to the Argentine people, but to their government. I support the policy of not letting any Argentine passport holders enter the Islands, until they drop their claim to sovereignty.

I, like many other people here, feel Dr di Tella should concentrate on his own home affairs and leave us to ours.

Miss J M Luxton
4th Generation Islander

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Police Force reduces in weight, but not numbers

TWO "substantial" members of the Royal Falkland Islands Police - Detective Sgt. Len McGill and Sgt. Graham Didlick - are slimming on behalf of the CAPEF fund (Care and Protection of the Elderly and Disabled), which is currently raising funds for the provision of a new bus for the elderly in Stanley, capable of carrying wheel-chair bound passengers.

Weighed in on January 5 by Dr. Barry Elsbey at 107.9kg and 108.2kg respectively, the two sizeable police officers plan to shed their surplus layers until March 6th, when they hope to have achieved an impressive weight loss for their sponsors to pay on.

Accumulated revenue is already well in excess of £100 each, according to Len.

Sponsorship forms may be obtained from the slimmers themselves or from anyone at the Stanley Police Station.



Graham Didlick weighs in under the eye of Dr Elsbey

Another nebuliser from Asthma Support



Continuing their efforts to assist the many victims of asthma in the Falklands and world-wide, the Asthma Support Group have just

presented the KEMH with a chargeable portable nebuliser, the third of its type to be financed by the group's fund-raising efforts.

Primarily the item will travel in the ambulance when going to the aid of an asthma victim.

Accepting the donation for the Hospital, Dr. David Lindley praised the group (represented by Mrs. Betty White, Mrs. Rhona Smith, and Frank Howatt) for their ongoing activities on behalf of asthma sufferers. To date the group have raised £1500, £750 of which has been spent on nebulisers. A further sum to assist in asthma research has been sent to the U.K.

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Magistrates Court on Wednesday 11 January

Sentence deferred for youths in Port Harriet break-in

TWO youths who pleaded guilty to breaking into Port Harriet house, drinking a quantity of liquor, stealing 36 gallons of diesel, handling both a shotgun and a .22 rifle and firing the latter, damaging two windows, have had their sentences deferred for three months by Senior Magistrate Andrew Jones.

Sentencing will depend on the behaviour of the youths during the intervening period.

The break-in was discovered by Fitzroy Manager Ron Binnie, who alerted the police. On being questioned, the youths readily admitted their guilt, and added that this was not the first time they had entered the house.

Improper parking on first Stanley trip costs corporal £125

ON HIS first trip to Stanley from MPA, RAF Cpl. Alex Thomas Morrow had the misfortune to park too close to the corner of Villiers Street and Ross Road, and had his borrowed vehicle, which was also missing a front licence plate, towed away.

In the Magistrates Court on Wednesday, January 11, Cpl. Morrow pleaded guilty by letter to both offenses. He was ordered to pay £75 for parking improperly, £25 for driving a vehicle without a front licence plate, costs of £25, and had his licence endorsed.

£200 fine for speeding on MPA road

A PLEA of guilty to the charge of driving at 60 mph on an unpaved stretch of the MPA road brought Snr. Aircraftsman Anthony Graham Scott a fine of £200, plus £35 costs and disqualification from driving for three months.

Senior Magistrate Andrew Jones, presiding, said he took a very serious view of the offence, which occurred on December 19, particularly in view of the deaths which had already occurred on unpaved sections of the road.

Get together with very old teacher for the Class of '72



MEMBERS of the Stanley Senior School graduating class of '72, together with their last teacher, Peter Gilding and wife, Melanie, had a "brilliant" get-together in Malvina House on Friday night, January 13, according to Valerie Morrison, whose inspiration the gathering was.

Seeing Barbara Pennisi (nee Minto), Jean Sinclair (nee Thom), and Susie Maciello (nee Coutts) returning for the holidays - all from the same class - Valerie wondered how many others from that

class were about, who they were, and if they could be brought together. Helped by archivist Jane Cameron, who discovered that records of the class of '72 were war casualties, but '68 was still available, Valerie set about making contact. In the end she recruited 15 class members. Coincidentally, Peter reached his 50th birthday on the same day, so Valerie organised a cake.

If this sort of thing keeps happening on Friday 13th, it may lose its reputation altogether.

Cathedral to house Lord Shackleton's Garter Banner

IT WAS ANNOUNCED by Government House last week that the late Lord Shackleton, who died last September, had made provision in his will that his banner as a Knight of the Garter should be laid up in the Cathedral in Stanley.

This gesture confirms the strong feelings for the Islands held by Lord Shackleton, formerly the leader of the Labour Party in the House of Lords, whose reports on the economic development of the Falklands, were widely regarded as providing the blueprint for the Falklands economic recovery following the '82 conflict.

The banner previously hung over Lord Shackleton's stall in the Chapel of the Order of the Garter, St. George's Chapel, Windsor. It will be brought into the Stanley Cathedral by a detachment from HMS Endurance during a special service of Thanksgiving for the life of Lord Shackleton, which is planned to take place in the Cathedral at 2.00 pm on Friday, February 24.

The banner will be received at the Cathedral from the naval de-

achment by Lord Shackleton's daughter the Hon. Mrs Bergel, who will then hand it over to Canon Stephen Palmer, to place it on the altar.

It is hoped that as many Islanders as possible will be able to attend this service.

The release stated that the Governor had received the following message from Lady Shackleton:

"Thank you so much for sending the Book of Condolence and Tribute with all the signatures in it about Eddie."

"I appreciate so much you doing this - in fact it is difficult to find words to express all the kindness and warm-heartedness we have received as a family from you all in the Falkland Islands. We shall never forget all the widespread support we have had over his death and would like everyone to know how comforting it has been."

A service of Thanksgiving will also be held in Westminster Abbey on January 25, at which the Islands will be represented

Colin found safe and well on Stanley Common

SEVENTEEN year-old Colin Browning, who disappeared at noon on Monday, January 16, was found safe and well by Police in a bunker near the Pistol Range on Wednesday morning, January 18, after searches by the Defence Force, YMCA residents, other military and civilian personnel, and a Sea King military helicopter had failed to locate him.

A search party comprising Terry Peck, YMCA Executive Officer, and other YMCA residents commenced on Monday evening, as soon as they realised that Colin was indeed missing. On Tuesday morning, with added volunteers, the search broadened, and at 2:00pm searchers encountered Flying Officer Gordon Muir, who was on a last walking trip before leaving the Falklands, and alerted him to the problem. He, in turn, phoned Terry Peck from Moody Brook, to confirm the situation.

"Flying Officer Muir relayed this information back to Mt. Kent," states an HQBFFI press release, "after which the small group began to search for the boy in their immediate area. Mt. Kent passed the details to the Mount Pleasant Joint Operations Centre who reacted immediately by tasking a

Sea King helicopter to commence an aerial search of the mountain areas around Stanley. It was fortunate that the helicopter was in Stanley, having just flown in a patient to KEMH. The Sea King continued its search until last light, but without success."

High winds and heavy rain impeded searching on Tuesday afternoon.

Wednesday saw the commencement of combined military operations to deploy a Bristows helicopter, 2 x BVs from Mt. Kent, radios, rescue equipment, police dogs and handlers and other military personnel, in a coordinated search with members of the FIDF and local volunteers, according to the press release from HQBFFI. This search was under the direction of the F.I. Police Department, who were able to cancel it after Colin was found at about 10:00am.

Fan belt trouble for chopper on MPA road

ON SATURDAY morning, January 7, a Sea King helicopter from RAF Mount Pleasant was flying to the West of Stanley when the Captain elected to make a precautionary landing on the MPA-Stanley road, near Mt. William. A fan-belt had broken and a slight burning smell had been detected in the cockpit. The road was chosen as the landing site due to the numerous minefields in the immediate area, which are extremely difficult to detect from the air.

The helicopter landed without incident and the crew, conscious of the fact that they were blocking the road, ground taxied the aircraft into a nearby lay-by. With the exception of larger road users, vehicles were able to pass beneath the helicopter's rotor blades without difficulty. Larger vehicles required manual rotation of the blades by the crew before they, too, could pass by.

Assistance was requested from MPA, and a Chinook was tasked to fly a replacement fan-belt and two engineers to the scene. The repair was effected upon their arrival, following which the Sea King took off and returned to MPA.

At no time was there any risk to the crew's safety nor any danger to the helicopter.

Familiarisation visit by new FCO Minister of State

A FOUR-DAY familiarisation visit by the new Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office with responsibility for the Falkland Islands, Mr. David Davis, MP, is scheduled for January 27-30.

His itinerary includes a Press and Public Conference to be held at Government House on Saturday, January 28 at 5:00pm.

Visits to Fox Bay and Pebble Island have been scheduled for Sunday, January 29, followed by a phone-in over FIBS at 6:00pm.

He replaces Mr. David Heathcoat-Amory, who visited the Falklands in 1993.

Stud Flock enquiry over

THE COMMISSION of Enquiry into the management of the National Stud Flock, chaired by former Chief Magistrate James Wood has now completed its work, and reported to H.E. the Governor.

The enquiry, conducted in camera, had seven specific matters to consider, including the importation of the National Stud Flock, its original placement on Sea Lion Island, the role of various Agriculture Department officials, the auction of ewes which "subsequently turned out to be in lamb", reasons for the deaths on Lively Island of animals from the Stud Flock, and recommendations for "future good management of the Flock".

Correct solution to the last crossword

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Penguin News Vacancy News Editor

An immediate vacancy has arisen for the post of News Editor with *Penguin News*.

Candidates for the post should ideally be able to show evidence of some previous journalistic experience, a good general education and an excellent command of the English language.

Word processing skills are of paramount importance and experience in desk-top publishing would be an advantage, though training will be available to the successful candidate.

Good local knowledge and a lively interest in all aspects of Falklands life are an essential qualification.

Further details of the post may be obtained from the Managing Editor, John Fowler, at the Penguin News Office on Ross Road or from the Secretary to the Media Trust, Kathleen Clarke at the Secretariat, to whom applications should be made in writing before 4.30 pm, Friday January 27.



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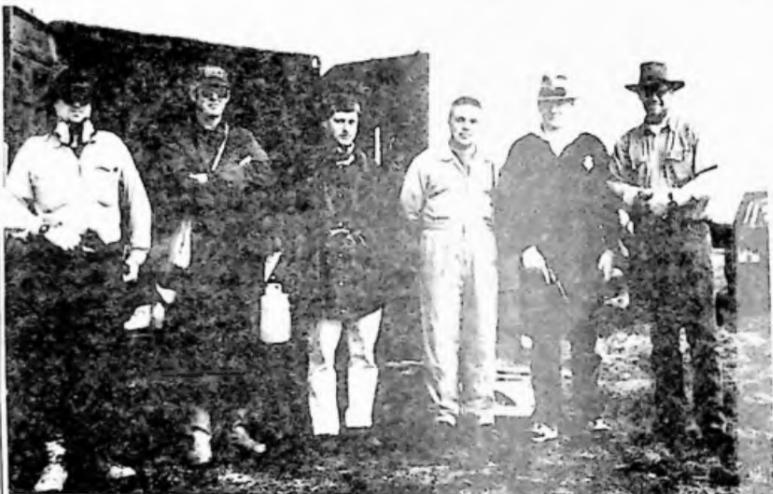
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Pistol Club turn back the clock to the days of black powder and ball

Something strange on the range, but was it the Wild Bunch or the Weird Bunch?



From the left: PED, Ian Bury, Simon Goss, Paul Morrison, Robin Bell and Graham Didlick

THE INSTRUCTIONS were to take the road leading to the Rookery Bay rifle range, but to take the right-hand fork, then follow the road round to the left until it came to an end. "You've got to take to the camp after that" said our informant, "but you'll see the track"

Famous last words, but this time proving accurate, give or take a peat bog and the odd muddy hole and leading ultimately to the HQ of the Stanley Pistol Club.

Under the deep blue of a perfect Falklands sky was a strange sight, (or perhaps I mean site), hidden far from the common gaze and the Planning Officer. Behind a small scattering of parked vehicles, were a tent, a taped-off area of camp, a rickety construction of plywood and packing cases and a container.

In the container, a large man with a large hat sat at a table taking entry money from as wild-looking a bunch of obvious desperados as one could hope to meet outside of Dogpatch Wyoming. Worse, they were all armed with wicked-looking pistols....



Above: Preparing to shoot in the precision category. Simon Goss's pistol might not have been most accurate, but it was certainly loudest.

Below left: Pistol Club President, Graham Didlick takes the entries.

Below right: Simon Goss disappears in a cloud of smoke after firing his pistol.

Bottom, from left: Simon Goss, PED, Ian Bury and Graham Didlick. Don't be deceived by the hand in pocket stance, these are mean hombres and they mean business.

Pictures by John Fowler Report by Graham Didlick

ON SATURDAY 31st December, 1994, black powder and grape shot returned to the Falklands for the first time for nearly over 100 years. Thanks to the Robson family, particularly Gladys, Mike's wife, the Falklands Pistol Club shot for the Mike Robson Memorial Trophy, specifically a black powder pistol competition. This was the first of an annual shoot in memorial to Mike who was the oldest member and undoubtedly one of the keenest of the club.

The pistols used were all replicas of weapons from around 1850, being either .36 or .44 calibre revolvers, which have to have each individual chamber loaded with powder from a powder flask before the bullet or ball is loaded on top. A percussion cap is then fitted to the top of each chamber, which when the gun is operated is struck by the hammer, which ignites the charge and fires the gun.

The competition was shot in two categories, precision and practical. The precision part of the competition was shot over 25 meters at a ringed target scoring down from 10 to 5. Twenty shots were allowed, in two stages of ten, to be shot in ten minutes, including the necessary re-load.

The practical consisted of 14 shoot targets and 7 no-shoot tar-

gets, broken down into three stages each shot with one fully-loaded pistol. The competitor had to negotiate low slit-in-the-wall, over wall, through tunnel and through window shots to name but a few, to engage their targets and still avoid the hostages as well as overcome the difficulties of shooting with black powder!

The competition started at approximately 9.30 am and up to the last 1/2 hour we had fine weather with a stiff wind topped by a brief rain shower, but nobody's powder got wet and the competition was completed at 1.20 pm.

Having concluded, all shooters and spectators retired to the Globe Hotel lounge where prizes were presented by Mrs. Gladys Robson and son, Gerard Robson. The final results were:

- 1st Precision, Ian Bury, 110
 - 1st Practical, Graham Didlick, 89.99
- OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP
- 1st Ian Bury 165.60
 - 2nd G. Didlick 162.99
 - 3rd PED 129.35

Thanks go out to all the competitors and supporters of this event, but in particular to Gladys and her family for the sponsorship of the competition. Mike was well-known in the club for his enthusiasm for pistol shooting and the Pistol Club will endeavour to ensure that that enthusiasm lives on in the club in his memory.



Above: Ian Bury receives the Mike Robson Memorial Trophy from Gerard Robson



Robin Bell takes aim with Mike Robson's own pistol

Public Notice

APPLICATIONS are invited to fill an immediate vacancy for a Housing Officer in the Public Works Department.

The Housing Officer reports directly to the Deputy Director of Public Works. Duties of the post involve checking tenants in and out of government quarters, maintaining inventories and accurate records relating to government quarters, organising furniture movements, preparing quarters for occupation and monitoring their condition.

Applicants must be fit, mature and responsible individuals in possession of a valid driving license. An ability to work unsupervised is essential as is the ability to relate well to people as the post involves direct contact with the general public. Working hours are from 8:00am to 4:30pm with a 75 minute lunch break, though some overtime at weekends will occasionally be necessary.

Salary is in Grade 3 ranging from £10,908 to £12,900 per annum.

For further details of the post and an application form, please contact the Deputy Director of Public Works during normal working hours or the Establishments Section, Secretariat. Completed application forms should be returned to the Chairman Appointments Board, Secretariat by 4:30pm on Monday 23rd January 1995.

The Secretariat
Stanley
17 January 1995

Public Notice No: 10/95
Ref: STF/3

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Department of Agriculture has a vacancy for a Senior Agricultural Assistant to work in the Economics and Training Section.

This is an interesting and varied post which requires a highly motivated person to work largely unsupervised, the duties of which includes:

- assisting in the development and administration of training courses
- to assist in the administration of the Agricultural Grant Scheme
- to collect and edit material for the department's monthly publication of the Wool Press
- to assist in data collection for economic analysis of farming activities

Applicants should be educated to at least GCSE level in English and Mathematics and must be conversant with computer spread sheets, and word processing packages. There is a good deal of travel attached to this post; therefore candidates must be prepared to spend several days away from home on a regular basis. The salary attached to this post is in grade G3, which ranges from £10,908 - £12,900 per annum.

Further details of this post may be had by contacting either the Director of Agriculture, Mr. Owen Summers, or Mr. Hugh Marsden at the Department of Agriculture. Applications for this post must be sent to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat, no later than 4:30pm on Friday, 27th January 1995.

The Secretariat
Stanley
17 January 1995
Public Notice No: 9/95
Reference: STF/20

VACANCY

The Public Works Department has a vacancy for a Plant Operator to work on the North Camp Track. Applicants must have an HGV Licence and must be willing to live out on the North Camp Track Site during the summers season.

Wages payable are in accordance with the Stanley GEU Wage Agreement for a Plant Operator starting at the bottom of the scale on £3.72 per hour.

Applications should be made in writing to the director of Public Works and should reach him on or before 25th January, 1995.

For further information contact Bob Hancox during working hours on telephone: 27387

The Globe Hotel

The position of Manager at the Globe Hotel will shortly become vacant. The business is a fully equipped public house with public and lounge bars, pub kitchen and attached three bedroomed dwelling for the manager or tenant.

The owners are interested in either filling the position of manager or in discussing leasing arrangements with someone who would prefer to operate the business as his or her own.

Contact Fortuna Limited
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Governor recalls colony's early days

HE the Governor in his address to the seminar recalled that "150 years ago - in those early years, when perhaps 100 colonists were sheltering in shacks along the north shore of Stanley Harbour, London instructed the Governor to set up a Legislative Council."

He spoke of the long way the Falklands had travelled since then, and of the islands' shared problems with a number of other island members of the commonwealth. "Many of us on small islands are living in the shadow of large, avaricious neighbours. We have maintained our identity, and our democratic traditions, in the face of the odds, helped on many occasions by Great Britain, the mother country."

Our constitution, he added, is now ten years old, and is currently under review.

Addressing the constitutional issue, Mr. de Vic G. Carey, one of three representatives from Guernsey, referred to their own lengthy attempts to amend their

constitution, (it took three tries, he said, to change from an electoral college to universal suffrage) and suggested that Islanders avoid undue haste in their present revision.

Topics to be discussed during the Seminar include: 150 Years of Legislature, The International Situation with Special Reference to Co-operation on Defence and Economic Affairs, The Role and Future of the CPA, Preservation of the Environment and Wildlife, The Desirability of Government Incentives for Industry, The Future of the British Independent Territories, Codes of Conduct and Conflicts of Interest.

Representing Jersey, which, together with Guernsey, made generous contributions to help the Falkland Islands recover from the war in 1982, Mr. R.L. Le Brocq paid special tribute to local Councillors. "I think the Falkland Islands are in excellent hands. I have no doubt that they will go from strength to strength."

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Graham & Janet's tour

Graham stressed that the tour would not be financed by government funds - whether Falkland Islands, British or Argentinian..

"There are bodies which have an interest in fostering mutual understanding," he explained. "Some of these are prepared to put up the money for the tour without attaching political strings."

Although the Falkland Islands Government is not directly involved, it is understood that authorities here do not oppose the tour.

"I feel we've always found ourselves in a position of defending ourselves or answering back," said Janet. "It's about time we took an initiative."

Their itinerary is not yet finalised, but Graham and Janet, both of whom are bi-lingual, expect to visit Buenos Aires, Cordoba, Mendoza, as well as Ushuaia and other points in Patagonia. The tour is expected to take three weeks to a month.

"Wherever we go we'll find interested audiences," said Graham, "but in Patagonia and Tierra Del Fuego they really feel it's an issue much closer to them."

Their predominant message would be that the Falklands today are a very different place from that which so many Argentinians knew previously, Graham said. It was a larger and more prosperous community; new industries had devel-

oped and the Islanders had a far greater degree of autonomy.

About the Argentine claim? "I don't want to say anything about that, if possible," Graham replied, "because there's nothing new to be said. The old Argentine idea that we're a people to be liberated simply does not hold any more. But that message can be conveyed in a fairly entertaining way - using slides, for example - and telling people what it's all about now."

"To stand up and say 'Your claim is a load of nonsense. We don't want to be Argentine. We demand the right to self-determination,' will only get people's backs up. They will then put up the same old arguments and we won't achieve anything."

Do they feel some trepidation about it?

"Well, yes, of course," Janet replied. "It's important that we get it right. There will be many difficult questions that we'll have to field, and we'll have to work out how we answer them."

She has no illusions that their trip will have a great deal of impact on the thinking of Argentinians, considering the many decades during which they have heard little about the Falklands other than their territorial claim.

"But we have to start somewhere, sometime. This is a beginning."

Fifth Column - by Neil Rogers

Will Janet collapse in a sobbing heap under pressure from La Prensa Hawks?

ALTHOUGH the reasons for Graham and Janet's proposed lecture tour of Argentina are readily, though naively, apparent, the logic for it seems somewhat hazy (though not completely absent), which is the case however, with the new public relations extravaganza. "yes, it's going to be expensive" (end of quote). I just hope that whoever dreamt it up had the sense to off-load the idea onto someone else.

But still, I guess that Graham and Janet and Janet and Graham will at least be able to answer the barrage of questions from the Argie press, in its own language.

I mean of course politic-speak. Graham has the edge here, but heaven only knows what will happen when poor defenceless Janet gets cornered by some hawk from 'La Prensa'. Will she collapse into a sobbing heap and admit that, yes, it was all our fault and that Argentina never wanted a war, didn't want to fight and was only too willing to give it all up for the sake of peace?

After all, does not the British press now declare to all the world that the *Belgrano* really was sailing away from the Malvin... (sorry) Falklands, when

that nasty submarine snuck up and wrecked it? Does not even *The Times* call for conciliation? So why are we so unreasonable, so mistrustful, so...so downright unforgiving? After all, they were only here for a few weeks and did they really do that much damage?

So, now that's all settled and everyone is friends again, how about sending a really ginormous happy card to Sr. Di Tella inviting them all over for a really great 'barby'? The joke is, the vast majority of Argentinians could not care less about the Falklands/Malvinas issue, and all those huge gaily painted road signs declaring, in two feet high letters, 'Malvinas son Argentinas', really get up their noses. They are a constant reminder of a nightmarish period in Argentine history: death squads, tyrants, torture, economic chaos, all followed by a war with a first-world power that brought Argentina its worst and most expensive military defeat. Those gaily painted signs that stick out of every road sign like the electrodes in a nutters skull, not only rankle all who pass them but cause the tourists to snigger.

Perhaps it is a little unfair of the Argentinians to label the Falk-

lands style of Government as an on-going internecine battle fuelled by ancient family rivalries and, at departmental level, gin-slingers. But it is now however, reasonably accurate. So how surprising it is that, despite our rather anarchic democracy, old Joe Bloggs still gets a fair shake. Even though the best way of getting the low-down on what's going on in the Secretariat is to collar some disgruntled and slightly steamed bureaucrat on his (or her) way to the Tristar.

The Falkland Islanders are being shouted at from all sides to improve their image. To be nice to Argentina and to talk it all through, until I assume, the Argentine government can take up where it left off - in 1982. But this time, with an invitation.

Kiss the oil goodbye, kiss the fishing goodbye. Maggie Thatcher said it first and John Major has repeated it often: 'Britain will act in accordance with the Islanders wishes'. So, if we want to talk to the Argentinians (we don't actually need to do or say anything) then Britain will act in accordance with our wishes. And that can be translated very easily into a military pull-out.

DIARY OF A FARMER'S CAT

LIFE'S getting intolerable for a chap around here nowadays. I'm tempted to emigrate and leave 'em to it.

For starters, the Boss is still carting peat, and that doesn't do a lot for his temper. You'd think it was us cats stopping him going oil-fired and not the cost, the way he treats us. No more tickles under the chin or "Hello old chap - how's it going?" when he sees me. Instead it's "I suppose you b****y animals want feeding again. Well, you'll just have to wait till I get round to you."

Well, I ask you. The one highlight of our day, and he goes and postpones it without so much as an apology. I bet he wouldn't like it if the Missus did the same with his supper...

Come to think of it, though, the Missus has been doing that with all his meals just lately. It's something to do with a thingamajig called a Clothes Show, which must be coming up soon. Thanks to that, she's got wool where her brains used to be. Perhaps that's what's getting to the boss. There's yarn and punchcards, bits of knitting and all kinds of other rubbish scattered round the kitchen. A chap can't stretch out in front of the Rayburn nowadays without risking getting a pin through somewhere nasty.

She keeps raving on about the "beauty of the Camp" and the "subtle colouring of the landscape." Makes me sick, it does. What about the beauty of us cats? What about the subtle colouring of a sleek tabby in the sunlight (and don't say, "What sunlight?", 'cos I know it hasn't stopped raining for a month - just allow me some poetic license, won't you.)

What about - oh, forget it. Nobody listens to me. I think I'll just let her rave on until the Boss shuts her up for me. He's been remarkably tolerant so far, and I've even caught him doodling with crayons himself and admiring the results - but it's only a matter of time before he cracks. Just one more supper of re-heated leftovers ought to do it...

And talking of cracking - the Missus has a fair sized flock of hens now (worse luck - no scraps for me) and they are producing an assortment of eggs, varying from pale green to dark speckled brown. Trouble is, the size of the eggs varies as much as their colouring, and the silly old bat hasn't yet cottoned on to the fact. She always puts eggs on top of the Rayburn plate rack so as to be handy before she fries them, and they used to be quite safe like that. But nowadays some of 'em are too small for the rack, and fall through

onto the hotplate. You should hear her squawk when it happens - worse than the bloomin' hens, she sounds. And of course it's not her fault it happens, and of course she forgets the lesson next time she's frying eggs... Some mothers do have 'em. Sheesh!

I think I'll stop now, if you don't mind. The Missus and the Boss have gone out somewhere, and they've left the kitchen window open. I think I'll just mosey on in and grab a snooze by the stove before they return and chuck me out into the cold again. Hard hearted they can be, those two.

Here we go, then. Up onto the window ledge, through the window (blimey, I'm fatter than I thought) - and then down onto the chair and then the floor...

Gadzooks! Jumpin' Jemima! Yikes!!!!

Who left that b****y pin in the rug??

That does it. I'm leaving. Anyone want a nice, friendly, sort-of-house-trained, subtly coloured cat? Anyone who doesn't knit, that is? Just give me a ring, please.

Cheers, chaps.
Love,

Baldrick

MESSAGE OF THANKS
THE BOARD of Management of the YMCA would like to thank everyone who assisted in the recent search for young Colin Browning. Colin had ventured off early on Monday morning, January 16, and had failed to return that night. A search was conducted throughout the next two days by volunteer helpers. On Wednesday morning a full-scale search commenced and Colin was finally located to the south-east of Stanley by mid-morning. Although tired, cold and hungry, he was otherwise in good health.

Special thanks are conveyed to Flying Officer Muir and the RAF Search and Rescue Squadron, Mount Kent Detachment, EOD for providing BV support, FIDF, Royal Falkland Islands Police and to all members of the community who provided assistance and advice.

Thank you one and all.

PUBLIC NOTICE

National Stud Flock Hoggets

The Falkland Islands Government wishes to receive tenders from individuals or companies who are able to provide grazing for and to manage the National Stud Flock ewe hoggets and ram hoggets for a period of one year from March 1995.

The Government is prepared to consider tenders relating to all hoggets or to ewe hoggets or ram hoggets separately.

Tender documents are available from the Secretary to the Tender Board at the Secretariat in Stanley and tender forms should be returned so as to reach him on or before Monday 20 February 1995.

All the winners of the 1994 race meeting

Maiden Plate - 600yds

1. Watcha - S. Halford
2. Mysteria Maria - M. Davis
3. Cherokee - A. Turner
4. Bue-dier - R. Binnie

200yds - Foot

1. T. Bowles
2. C. Lane
3. P. Jones

JBG Falklands Trophy - 440yds

1. Croacia - T. Bonner
2. Charmaine - O. Summers
3. Sheba - R. Binnie

Kempton Park Race - 600yds

1. Porsche - T. McMullen
2. Miss Money Penny - R. Binnie
3. Snow King - T. Whitney
4. Cleopatra - H. Bonner

Potato Race - Ladies

1. M. Summers
2. J. Summers
3. C. Newall
4. S. Summers

The Argos Gallop - 700yds

1. Sandown - N. Watson
2. Quint - Michele Evans
3. San Diego - T. McMullen

Std. Chartered Trophy - 400yds

1. Dory - T. Bonner
2. Ensconce - T. Whitney
3. Charmaine - O. Summers
4. Pharlap - S. Sinclair

One Mile - Foot

1. Fus. Waddle
2. Fus. Richards
3. C. Ross
4. A. Hobman

Chief Executive's Plate - 600yds

1. Sandown - N. Watson
2. Miss Money Penny - R. Binnie
3. Quint - Michele Evans
4. Lively Lady - T. Bonner

Wheelbarrow Race - Mixed

1. B. Bernsen/J. Anderson
2. C. Tapper/M. Jones
3. P. Bonner/Tim Hurtle

Governor's Cup - 700yds

1. Croatia - T. Bonner
2. Dory - H. Bonner
3. Sheba - R. Binnie
4. Shaka - N. Watson

Sea Fish Trophy - 700yds

1. Dory - T. Bonner
2. Mysteria Maria - M. Davis
3. Trapalanca - A. Turner
4. Snow King - T. Whitney

Turner Diesel Trophy - 700yds

1. Bue-dier - R. Binnie
2. Auspicious - T. Bowles
3. Pandora - A. Smith
4. Fireball - W. Goss

Sack Race - Men

1. Adi Coutts
2. Fus. James
3. Le Richardson

Rincon Grande Plate - 900yds

1. Croatia - T. Bonner
2. Silencio - H. Bonner
3. Sudan - W. McKay
4. Indiana - N. Bonner

Twigworth Trot - 1 mile

1. Hamish - B. Bernsen
2. Colorado - L. Eynon
3. Moonshine - Z. Luxton
4. Princess - A. Turner

Backwards Race - 80yds

1. Fus. James
2. Chris Shannan
3. Ian Betts

The A.G. Barton Prize - 500yds

1. Ensconce - T. Whitney
2. Porsche - T. McMullen
3. Pharlap - S. Sinclair
4. Nikita - Michelle Evans

Berkeley Sound Plate - 600yds

1. Sandown - N. Watson
2. Trapalanta - A. Turner
3. Quickstep - T. Whitney
4. Quint - Michelle Evans

100 Yards - Foot

1. JB
2. FUS Waddle
3. Colin Buckland

The Mile - 1 Mile

1. Croacia - T. Bonner
2. Mysteria Maria - M. Davis
3. Silencio - N. Bonner

Port San Carlos Prize - 440yds

1. Shaka - N. Watson
2. Miss Money Penny - R. Binnie
3. Sandiego - T. McMullen
4. Shekinah - E. Goss

Armed Forces Challenge Cup - 500yds

1. Nikita - Chris Snow
2. Ocean Traveller - Wendy Haul
3. Silencio - Hayley Postle
4. Tamara - Laura Smedley

Ladies' Tug-o'-War

1. Sybies Streakers



FI Motorcycle Association finalists in the Tug-o-war

Des Peck Memorial Trophy - 600yds

1. Miss Money Penny - R. Binnie
2. Shaka - N. Watson
3. Porsche - T. McMullen
4. Trapalanta - A. Turner

440 Yards - Foot

1. Chris Lane
2. Claudio Ross
3. Matthew McMullen

Chartres Plate - 500yds

1. Dory - T. Bonner
2. Watcha - M. Davis
3. Cherokee - A. Turner
4. Indiana - N. Bonner

Veteran's Handicap Race - 80yds

1. E. Luxton
2. W. Morrison
3. W. Poole

Troop Race - 300yds

1. Charmaine - O. Summers
2. Quickstep - T. Whitney
3. Pharlap - S. Sinclair
4. Jump Jet - T. Bonner

West Store Ladies' Gallop - 500yds

1. Dory - H. Bonner
2. Sheba - M. Evans
3. San Diego - L. McMullen

Ladies' Sack Race

1. S. Summers, E. Davis
2. P. Prallett, J. Summers
3. S. Halford, S. Halford, M. Summers
3. D. Robson, S. Hewitt, B. Howells, H. Davis

Malcolm Binnie Memorial - 500yds

1. Ensconce - T. Whitney
2. Shaka - N. Watson
3. Shekina - T. Bonner

Darwin Shipping Prize - 800yds

1. Croatia - T. Bonner
2. Watcha - M. Davis
3. Silencio - T. Bowles
4. Pandora - A. Smith

Ladies' Race - 80yds - Foot

1. S. Halford
2. S. Dickson
3. M. McKay
4. S. Halford (Sandy)

Capital House Cup - 600yds

1. Miss Mary Penny - R. Binnie
2. Sandown - N. Watson
3. Quint - Michelle Evans
4. Lively Lady - T. Bonner

Junior Gallop - 600yds

1. Trapalanta - E. Bernsen
2. San Diego - L. McMullen
3. Miss Ellie - J. Binnie

Southern Cross Trophy - 500yds

1. Nikita - Laura Smedley
2. Silencio - T. Bowles
3. Katies - C. Eynon

Speedwell Store Prize - 700yds

1. Quint - Michelle Evans
2. Shaka - N. Watson
3. Porsche - T. McMullen
4. Snow King - T. Whitney

440 Yards - Foot - Ladies'

1. Ingrid Newman
2. Mandy McKay

Falkland Chase - 500yds

1. Ensconce - T. Whitney
2. Sandown - N. Watson
3. San Diego - T. McMullen
4. Jump Jet - T. Bonner

Ladies' Trotting Race - 1 Mile

1. Moonshine - D. Gilding
2. Hamish - G. Anderson
3. Stardust - S. Halford
4. Sudan - D. Wilkenson

Consolation Race - 500yds

1. Ben Nevis - T. McMullen
2. Tarkin - A. Turner
3. Rosemarie - Michelle Evans
4. Pentopyne Expanse - T. Bowles

Relay Race - Mixed - Foot

1. C. Eynon/Z. Luxton
2. Dr. Lindley, B. Edwards/M.
3. C. Ross/M. Gilbert

Salvador Prize (Champ) - 800yds

1. Dory - T. Bonner
2. Croacia - H. Bonner
3. Mysteria Maria - S. Halford
4. Quint - Michelle Evans

Victor Summers (Champ) - 500yds

1. Ensconce - T. Whitney
2. Porsche - T. McMullen
3. Miss Money Penny - R. Binnie
4. Sandown - N. Watson

Association Race - 500yds

1. Quickstep - K. Whitney
2. Sunberry - S. Halford
3. Katies - M. Summers

Champion Jockey - Tim Bonner

28 points.

Best Young Jockey - Troyd Bowles

Best Turned Out Horse (Maiden Plate) - Mysteria Maria

(Owner: M. Davis)

Champion Horse - Croacia & Dory

(Owner: D. Bonner)

AS I SEE IT by Gail Steen

Hypocrisy is too grown-up a word for backward thinking philosophy

I DON'T know about the Sex and Drugs, but everyone who attended what must have been Stanley's first rock festival last Saturday night, certainly got the Rock'n Roll.

It was non-stop, and for oldies like me who can remember the days of Twist 'n' Shake as equally enjoyable as it was for those who can't.

And the food! They say an army marches on its stomach, so it's not surprising that the British forces do it so well if that array of scrumptious edibles was an example of their daily fare.

What amazed me was how they managed to feed so many people with hot meals using the limited kitchen facilities in the Town Hall. The last time I helped out in that kitchen (?) one was hard pressed to keep a supply of hot tea and coffee going.

You would think, with the usage the hall gets these days, that the powers that be would give it a much needed facelift, and employ people to see to it that no one of yob mentality detracted from its attractiveness. The part-time employment of efficient doormen/bouncers and cloakroom attendants would go some way toward ensuring that any requirements in the hiring agreement or for obtaining an occasional liquor licence were kept, and a long way in increasing the enjoyment of events.

Depending on the various types of organisational skills and imaginative interpretation of rules and regulations, some of the new requirements - such as no admission or readmission to the function after 11:00pm - could join all the other difficult-to-apply rules in the bank of the "blind eye".

But I guess all that is wishful thinking, and it will be a long time in the future before we see a more attractive public function hall - where unobtrusive staff filter around attending to the more mundane tasks, like ensuring a supply of loo rolls, ejecting drunks, and seeing that the wash hand basins are only used for that purpose. Of course the hire fee would probably be proportionately higher - but so would be the return for your money.

Without doubt the rock festival organisers gave value for money. A big "thank you" to them, the cooks, the bar staff, and, most of all, to the musicians for a great night out; not forgetting the gallant band who cleared up long after the crowd had bopped their way into head-banging hangovers!

Part of the proceeds will no doubt give WFTB a further boost to its record-breaking total, while

the fund-raising campaign for the charity CAPED will be off to a good start.

The Falklands must be the best fund-raising location in the world, given the small number of people who live here. It's good to see some of this expertise directed toward a good cause at home.

Too often the needs of older people in the community are forgotten. In many ways they are the bank of knowledge we draw on to give meaning to our present and future. Who can deny the fascination we feel when listening to someone with a lifetime of experiences, telling stories of times gone by? That homespun identity, which is unique to every community, is what gives us ourselves - our identity.

Guido di Tella - and no doubt he is not alone - aspires to deny us that identity.

The organisation, "Americanos del Sur," which funded the video, "The Argentine Campo from the Pampas to Patagonia," which was directed by, and presented to us by, Sr. Bullrich, has a very commendable aim: the promotion of communication and understanding amongst the people of South America.

But communication and understanding has to be a two-way track. The video shows us one face of the people of Argentina, and I found it interesting how the parallels between their ancestry and present-day farm life, and ours, are shown with such tasteful subtlety. Perhaps I'm oversensitive to innuendo.

If, indeed, the film makers were hinting at our similar beginnings, what they should not forget is that, while most of us acknowledge those similarities - immigrants/colonists, the Gaucho, place names, horse-gear, roast mutton, and usage of corrupted Spanish words - we branched off, as it were, and became what we are today: another country.

I liked the romantic song in the sound track, and if you listen to the words you can be forgiven for thinking it was not chosen for melody alone.

Dr. Bullrich says (TBE issue No. 20) that Guido di Tella "disagrees with the new place name of Stanley, and he will no longer refer to it as Puerto Argentino." Dr. di Tella deludes himself if he thinks any of us really care whether he likes the name or not. It is quite irrelevant. We know who we are, and we know our name.

Thank goodness someone is at last going to go to Argentina to spread that message.

I am proud we have people like Janet Robertson, Graham Bound and Lewis Clifton who have the qualities and courage to be ambassadors for the Falkland Islands. I think their planned lecture tour of Argentina will do much towards enlightening the Argentine perception of the Falkland Islands and its people.

Oh for so much forward thinking in our councillors. They are to nominate two councillors to attend the Argentine British Conference in September. Obviously because the venue is in Oxford. Surely to build up any continuity and credibility they should attend every conference regardless of where it is held?

Hypocrisy is too grown up a word to attach to this backward thinking philosophy. In this instance I liken them to children squabbling about whose house they are going to play at. The trouble is, if you refuse to go to the party, you miss out on the game.

Politics is a universal game most of us have trouble comprehending, rules known, rules unspoken, posturing and scoring, let alone cheating and very much a contact sport. And it is the people of the world who become the victims of the strategies politicians and gov-

ernments play out in their remote conference rooms. At least if you make your own moves you stand less chance of being shoved around by the other players.

I would like to know exactly what councillors, or indeed the people who agree with that stance, feel we to lose if councillors did go to Argentina?

Yes, they probably would get some media distortion, they could also gain certain respect.

It is just the fear of the media making much of any visit, or is it just because they have fallen into the hole started by councillors years ago?

If they keep on digging deeper into that hole of 'evading the issue' and keep on refusing to go to Argentina and represent the Falklands positively, shovelling out the same old proverbial, I fear they will never be able to extricate themselves with any degree of dignity.

While the game masters continue to design new and interesting placebo's to divert attention from the real problem, our representatives in LegCo appear content to stay safely in their own back yard, contentedly sucking their thumbs, rather than venture outside into the jungle.

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PERSONAL

Alice Clifton in New Zealand would like to thank all her family and friends in the Falklands and in New Zealand, for all the kind letters she received at the time of the death of her brother, Nutt Cartmell

Many thanks to the following people for all their help at Port Howard - Carol and Rodney, Les and Lena; in Stanley - Richard and Heather, Ian Saunders, and the crew of M.V. Tamar. from Don, Tim and Hayley

Ryan, Alison and Jim would like to say goodbye and thank you to all our many friends around the Falklands. We will miss you all and wish you all the very best for the future. Please keep in touch and don't let the oil monsters run riot. Thank you all so very much.

NOTICES

Also all dog trial entries to Ian Hansen by 1st February. All intending visitors please let your hosts know by 1st February. All are welcome More news later

Rifle Association

Sunday 8th January 1995 ten competitors competed for the January spoons and 2nd Try in the Try Again series. Spoons won by K.Aldridge and Tyson Smith. 2nd Try K.Aldridge 100 Top scores of the day
K. Aldridge 100
P. Peck 93.8
T. Smith 91.7
S. Whitney 87.9
M. Smith 87.5

SUPREME COURT OF THE FALKLANDS ISLANDS

Notice under the Administration of Estates Ordinance (Cap. 1)

TAKE NOTICE THAT Margaret Mary Halliday, deceased of Stanley, Falkland Islands died at Stanley, on the 7th day of December 1994 Intestate. WHEREAS Leslie John Halliday, husband of the deceased, has applied for Letters of Administration to administer the estate of the said deceased in the Colony. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 4 of the administration of Estates Ordinance to all persons resident in the Colony who may have prior claim to such grant that the prayer of the Petitioner will be granted provided no caveat be entered in the Supreme Court within 21 days of the publication hereof. B. Greenland Registrar, Supreme Court Stanley, Falkland Islands January 16, 1995 Ref: PRO/1/1995

NOTICES

Auction Bridge recommences Wednesday 18th January.... 7.30pm in the Day Centre of the KEMH.....All Welcome.

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West Falkland Sports will be held at Port Howard on 20th February 1995. Could you please have your entries for shearing into Bill Pole-Evans by 20th Jan. 1995.

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Tottenham V Blackburn							
Wimbledon V Leeds							

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POSTSCRIPT FROM THE CATHEDRAL

I know well enough that New Year's day is only a date on the calendar, but I always use this time of year to review what has happened in the past year and also try to anticipate what is yet to come.

Every succeeding year makes fresh challenges and demands upon us. We can make our plans and arrangements - but we never can be certain how things will work out. We can never know what lies just around the next corner and bend in our lives. One thing however is certain, and that is that our lives will be a mixture of joy and sadness, of pleasure and danger.

In 1939 England faced the greatest challenge in its island history. It was a time of great danger, and it

was a deeply christian king - George VI - who in his Christmas Day message to the Empire who touched the very heart of the matter. King George quoted the words of Minnie Louise Haskins:

"Ans I said the man who stood at the gate of the year 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.' And the man replied: 'Go out into the darkness, and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light, and safer than the known way.'"

These words are inscribed on the tomb of King George in Windsor Castle's chapel, and they would make an excellent motto for all of us in the Falklands in 1995.

Happy New Year!

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CPA delegates head for home full of praise and thanks



LEWIS CLIFTON, who met the returning CPA delegates at Brize Norton, reported that

they arrived full of praise for an enjoyable and valuable visit to the Falklands.

CPA delegates prepare to lay wreaths at the Liberation Mounment. Their return coincided with a CPA Commonwealth Young Diplomats luncheon, thus guaranteeing, says Lewis, discussion on the Falklands to a wider and influential audience.

Safe return from Chile Expedition for Stanley scouts

FOLLOWING a successful three-week camping trip in Chile, thirteen scouts and five leaders returned to Stanley on Saturday, January 20.

In the care of Scout Leaders Phil Middleton, Les and Jill Harris, Paul Freer and Sue Howes, the five girls and eight boys had

ten wonderful camping days in Torres del Paine, interspersed with visits to Punta Arenas, during which they stayed in a guest house.

Shopping in Punta Arenas gave the youngsters an excellent chance to use the Spanish they have been taught by Spanish teacher Jaime Correa in the Senior School.

National Stud Flock Report a triumph for reason and jungle juice

IN A PRESS release on Friday, FIG said it welcomed the report published by Mr James Wood and Mr Brook Hardeastle, who formed the Commission for Inquiry into the National Stud Flock. Referring to the report as a very thorough, fair and balanced piece of work, the release concluded: "Clearly mistakes have been made: they have been rigorously identified and we will ensure that they are not repeated."

Rather than lay the blame at the door of any particular individual, though a number came in for criticism, the report seemed to identify a top-heavy

management structure, which left ill-defined the responsibilities of any one member, as a significant contributor to the Stud Flock's problems.

Absolutely exonerated from any responsibility for the deaths of Lively Island, was Alec Jaffray and given an unexpected plug was the "Southern Mineral Mix", more commonly referred to as "jungle juice", which many local farmers thought would have helped improve the condition of the Stud Flock sheep.

(More complete report on this and the FIDC Abbatoin document next week.)

High albatross mortality from one Confish vessel, says Fisheries report

TWO HUNDRED and twenty black-browed albatross were killed during long-lining operations by one boat between 9 to 30 November this year, a report by the Director of Fisheries, John Barton, has revealed.

The report, which was attached to the Chief Executive's answer to LegCo Question for Written Reply, No. 1 of 1995, posed by the Hon. Mrs Norma Edwards stressed that this problem had only been encountered to a significant degree by one particular vessel, the *Mar del Sur 1*, which had subsequently reported a reduced incidence of albatross mortality: 57 in the period 1-31 December and 0 from January 1 to the present.

In his reply, the Chief Executive drew attention to research work done in Australia by Sally Poncet's brother, Mr Nigel Brothers, who had been working to reduce albatross mortality in Australian waters, occurring as a result of Japanese longlining. There it was feared that the albatross death rate might have been as high as

100,000 per annum, and the Chief Executive gave Council his assurance that similar disasters would not happen here.

Confish, who since the opening of the FOCZ have paved the way for continuous longlining fishing operations, had reported little problem with incidental wild-life mortality, until in November, one of their vessels, the *Elqui* was replaced by the *Mar del Sur 1*.

Since becoming aware of the problem, the Fisheries Department have instructed Confish to implement measures to reduce the mortalities, which have since been considerably reduced.

It has been indicated to Confish that unless the problem is resolved, the licence for this particular vessel will be in jeopardy.

On the worst days the numbers of Black-browed Albatross taken were, 37, 21, 62 and 35, though these catches were not on consecutive days.

The level of wild-life mortalities from trawling and jigging is reported to be low. Some dolphins have been taken in trawls and although birds may become entangled in the trawl when it is hauled to the surface, these can often be released alive.

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THE CHINESE are popularly supposed to be the world's most inveterate gamblers, followed perhaps by the Australians, who were, I think, the first to coin the phrase "You've got to be in it, to win it", which was taken up by one of the British football pool companies some time ago. They, after being the repository of the dreams of so many for so long have now, at a stroke, been supplanted by the British National Lottery, which every week pours amazing, some would say, obscene, amounts of money into the pockets of people, who have done nothing more strenuous than thinking up a number.

Although opportunities for gambling are limited in the Falklands, when they occur, at the races or in the name of charity, they are keenly taken up. In most pubs and clubs folk still play liar dice for books of tickets and although it is both more difficult and less exciting financially than its British counterparts, which are themselves well-subscribed from here, the local football pool seems to be experiencing ever increasing success. Rumours are rife about the number of Islanders who have already set up arrangements with relatives and friends in the UK, which will allow them to participate in the British National Lottery.

If this trend continues, it will be interesting to see whether the Islands amazing record for contributing to charitable causes is diminished as people have less spare cash in their pockets. We shall probably never be able to assess exactly how much money flows away from these Islands and into the coffers of the football pools companies, or the national lotteries of Britain, Malta, Ireland and elsewhere. Whatever amount it may be, and it could be larger than most of us might imagine, it is money which is departing from the Island's economy and, unlike charitable contributions, brings, at best only limited return benefits of any kind.

It was perhaps with the gambling propensity of the Falklands population in mind that local director of Monarch Exploration (Falklands) Ltd, Hamish Wylie kept slipping into the language of the race track, when describing the company, which last week launched a share offer open only to Falkland Islands residents. (see report on Page 8) With refreshing candour, he described an investment in Monarch as a very long shot, but compared it to the small wager, which makes all the difference between excitement and boredom when watching horse-racing on TV. While Government remains understandably cool about an implied advantage to "Falklands flagged" companies, which they are keen to refute at the approach to the first licensing round, if a little "flutter" on Monarch produces no dividends other than a sharpening of the population's interest and concentration on the oil race, then it might well have been a worthwhile exercise.

● YOUR LETTERS.....

Thanks to everybody in the Falkland Islands

HELEN AND I have had three wonderful years in the Islands. They have passed very fast, and it is now time to move on to pastures new. The Falklands are a very special place and we have tried to visit as many parts as possible. They are truly beautiful Islands. The way of life is very precious. We have been overwhelmed by kindness, generosity, friendship and hospitality of everyone. We will always remember the Islands by the people.

As you are aware, we have particularly enjoyed the Camp life and we want to say a very special thank you for the hospitality we have received there - it is second to none. We can never possibly repay everybody in Camp for their unlimited kindness and hospitality. Thank you is so easy to say and so inadequate, but we really mean that from our hearts.

I have enjoyed being part of

the superb health system that exists. You can all be proud of the efficient health care you receive. I thank everybody at the hospital for their support, and all my patients for their trust in my care.

The Islands have gone through many changes in the past three years - Island wide television, camp roads, more provisions in the shops, and the future is a big challenge for you all. Oil may be looming just around the corner. Despite the changes to date, the way of life and the hospitality from you all has not changed. This is very special, we ask you to remember and preserve this in the future.

Finally, we would like to say thank you to everybody in Stanley and in Camp, both local and overseas people, for your kindness, hospitality and support. We wish you luck for the future.

David and Helen Lindley.

Hanseatic: no sinister plot,

MAY WE through your paper clarify some possible misunderstanding about the non-visit of the Hanseatic on 7th January 1995.

Having heard from a couple of sources that the vessel was not coming "because there were some Argentines on board who would cancel their cruise if they could not land in the Islands", we checked with the vessel owner. The facts are slightly different from the above. Hanseatic Cruises in fact sub-contracted the whole of that particular cruise to their agents in

Argentina, Sintec S.A. The cruise was actually sold in Argentina and, sensibly anticipating that they would not be permitted to land in the Falklands, this section was not included in the cruise itinerary.

Hanseatic are certainly at fault for not advising their agent of this, and thereby causing some inconvenience, economic loss and concern, but there was no sinister plot to block cruises to the Islands, nor does the incident foreshadow large scale future losses of business.

M V Summers
Chairman FITB

SUPREME COURT OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS

Notice under the Administration of Estates Ordinance (Cap.1)

TAKE NOTICE THAT Sydney Russel Lyse, deceased, of Stanley, Falkland Islands died at Stanley, on the 3rd day of December 1994 Intestate.

WHEREAS Reginald Sturdee Lyse, cousin of the deceased, has applied for Letters of Administration to administer the estate of the said deceased in the Colony.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 4 of the Administration of Estates Ordinance to all persons resident in the Colony who may have prior claim to such grant that the prayer of the Petitioner will be granted provided no caveat be entered in the Supreme Court within 21 days of the publication hereof.

B.Greenland
Registrar
Supreme Court

Stanley
Falkland Islands
23rd day of January 1995

Ref: PRO/2/1995

February's Star Chart

The table shows the true compass bearing and the altitude of the largest stars at 1000 pm Stanley Time on the days indicated. Magnetic variation is about 5 degrees East.

	1	6	11	16	21	26	28
Aldebaran	340	335	330	325	321	316	315
Rigel	20	19	18	16	14	12	11
Betelgeuse	346	339	333	326	320	315	312
	46	45	43	42	40	38	37
Sirius	360	354	348	343	337	332	330
	31	31	30	30	28	27	27
Procyon	20	12	4	356	348	340	337
	54	55	55	55	55	54	53
Canopus	30	25	19	13	8	2	359
	29	30	32	32	33	33	33
Gacrux	106	128	239	255	258	257	258
	86	88	88	85	82	79	78
Acrux	137	135	133	131	129	128	127
	37	39	42	44	46	49	50
Hadar	142	141	139	138	136	135	135
	43	45	46	49	51	53	54
Rigel Kentaurus	151	148	146	144	142	140	139
	31	33	35	36	38	40	41
Achernar	155	153	151	149	146	144	143
	29	31	32	34	35	37	38
Formalhaut	235	234	232	230	228	226	226
	54	51	49	46	44	42	41
	240	237	233	229	226	222	221
	15	12	10	7	5	3	2
Planets (Saturn not visible, Venus and Jupiter are morning stars only.)							
Venus (0400)	101	102	103	104	105	105	106
	17	17	16	16	15	13	13
Mars (0400)	333	327	321	315	309	304	—
	18	15	12	8	5	1	—
Mars (2200)	58	52	46	39	33	27	24
	3	6	9	11	12	15	15
Jupiter (0400)	89	86	82	79	75	71	69
	28	31	34	36	39	42	43

..write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley

Wendy's response to the death ditch allegations and much, much more.

AS CHAIRMAN of the Planning and Building Committee, I feel that I must respond to Mr Burned Peck's letter which was published in your last issue.

1. Whilst we are waiting for a consultants report on the MPA road, and the ditches that border it, normal road maintenance will continue. No-one wants anyone to die needlessly on the road but we must take a long-term look at the situation and discover why the surface keeps breaking down. Only then can we guarantee to taxpayers that we are not spending their money willy-nilly.

2. I am at a loss as to where Mr Peck received his figures for the conversion of the tourism cabin on the jetty. The cost was £3,382.27p, less than a tenth of what he had quoted. There was no storm of protest as to its placement on the jetty and the majority of people realise its benefit to the community. The crew and passengers of the cruise ships find it particularly beneficial as they have an initial point of contact and information as soon as they step ashore. The cabin is also used daily by Military and Civilian visitors to the Falklands not just for cruise ship visitors.

Contrary to Mr Peck's statements the public toilets are open

Chivalry may be dead, but chauvinism lives on.

HERE WE ARE, motoring with somewhat nerve-wracking speed towards the 21st Century. It is a time perhaps to look back on some of the less savoury of memories which have fortunately passed into the mists of time: things like, press ganging, keel hauling, slavery, work houses, children working down coal mines and much, much more.

In my naivety I believed that male chauvinism was a fast dying attitude also, so it was with consternation that I read Neil Rodgers' article in last weeks P.N.

Apart from the fact he was extremely insulting to Janet on a personal level, he managed, in one fell swoop, to insult every woman living.

I see no reason at all why Janet should be less able to cope with a barrage of double-edged questions from 'La Prensa' or any other source than Graham Bound or anyone else. I am, I admit, no burn-bra type feminist, but every

seven days a week from early morning until just before dark, courtesy of Tim and Effie Halliday who undertake this task on behalf of the FITB.

3. The town Plan has been held up because of the work load at the Printing Office and is therefore unavailable for general distribution at the current time. The Falkland Island Company and indeed the tenant of the Philomel Store were sent photocopies of the proposed plan as they needed to know some of the proposals that are in it. There is no "secret" and no reason why the UK press could not have a copy of it, but would they really be that interested?

The only reason it carries a Confidential tag at the moment is that it is not available for general distribution at this time. It soon will be.

Like other councillors I welcome constructive criticism, but let it be on an informed basis, and let's get our facts right before appearing in print worldwide. I am willing to discuss this or any other matter with anyone, including Mr Peck, at this time.

Wendy Teggart
Chairman
Planning and Building
Committee.

female should at least be given a chance to prove herself worthy or unworthy before being labelled "The weaker sex" by the male hordes.

It is obvious by Neil's letter that the age of chivalry is dead - so 'fair do's' - let its soul mate chauvinism become a mere word in the dictionary also! In fact, why not abolish it from language and society too.

Faith Felton
Stanley

No defence needed, except perhaps, for Neil, who still may have a treat in store.

AFTER READING Neil Rodgers' Fifth Column of 21 January, I would like to point out that "poor defenceless Janet" does have a degree in International Relations. Neil has obviously never come face to face with Janet in a verbal situation.

Her Mother
Port Stephens

Illegal South Georgia longliner given away by transmitter buoys.

IN A case of illegal fishing which almost remained undetected, Captain Lee Chun Mun, Master of the South Korean fishing vessel lhn Sung 66, pleaded guilty in court on Tuesday, January 24, to unlicensed fishing in the South Georgia fishing zone. He was fined £750, while the owners of the vessel - the Gae Yang Heung San Company, of Seoul, South Korea - were fined £90,000.

Prosecuting Attorney Robert Titterton told the court that the Fishery Patrol vessel Cordella picked up the Korean vessel on its radar about 150 miles inside the zone on December 14.

Closing in on it the next day, they made radio contact with the Captain, who explained that engine problems had caused his ship to drift into the zone. Both vessels steamed to the lee of Bird Island, just northwest of South Georgia, where two Fishery officers boarded the lhn Sung 66. Everything was found in order, with no evidence of illegal fishing.

While the lhn Sung 66 sailed away, the Cordella returned to the original site of contact, well within the fishing zone, where they picked up signals from two radio transmitter buoys. Using the ship's radio direction finder, the Cordella homed in on the buoys, which were found bearing the name of the lhn Sung 66, and connected by a fishing longline.

With this unmistakable evidence of fishing activity, the South Georgia Commissioner faxed the owners of the lhn Sung 66 to ask their vessel to proceed to Stanley, a request which was adhered to on January 18.

Speaking in mitigation, Kevin Kilmartin told the court that the lhn Sung 66 had drifted into the zone while they were having engine trouble. Fishing outside the zone had been extremely poor, and as the results promised to be considerably better inside - and as they were on a bonus system - the decision was made to try illegal fishing within the zone. He pointed out that the Captain and the company had cooperated fully with the authorities, and that both Captain and Company apologised to the Court and the South Georgia administration.

230 years of Port Egmont

ON JANUARY 22 it was 230 years since Commodore Byron took possession of the Falkland Islands in the name of King George III - "on which, every man was served half allowance of brandy to drink his Majesty's health" (wrote the Captain of HMS Tamar)

To celebrate this event, The Falkland Islands Museum and National Trust is commissioning interpretative signs and display material for the site of Port Egmont settlement on Saunders Island.

The material will be designed by Dr Philpot and Dr Barker of the Field Archaeology Section of Liverpool Museum, who surveyed and mapped the buildings at Port Egmont in 1992 and have since started work on the next stage of the survey at Port Louis.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Falkland Islands Government invites tenders for the redecoration of the exterior of the Secretariat and Printing Office Building, Thatcher Drive, Stanley.

Tender Documents are available from the Secretariat and tenders endorsed 'Redecoration of the Secretariat/Printing Office' should be returned to the Chairman Tender board to reach him on or before 3pm on 3rd February 1995. Only tenders submitted on the official tender documents will be considered.

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The Secretariat
Stanley

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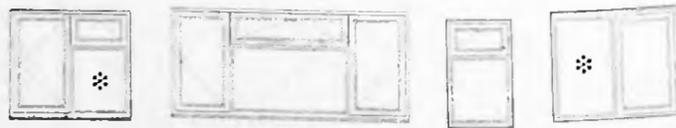
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Governor's Summary of Executive Council Meeting, Thursday January 26

The following is taken from the summary of the meeting of ExCo on Jan 26, prepared by HE the Governor, Mr David Tatham, to whom go our thanks.

DURING MATTERS arising, the Chief Executive informed Councillors that a consultant from Scott Wilson Kirkpatrick would be arriving in early February to examine the Mount Pleasant Road and suggest a strategy for its repair and surfacing. In discussing the West Camp roads, it was agreed that the Public Works Department would be instructed to use a simplified system of road building on the current stretch of hard Camp on an experimental basis. The simplified system will be cheaper than that at present used and - if it works well - should enable us to get better value for money.

Councillors rejected a request to import cattle semen from the United States via Chile.

They considered carefully a well-written report on the care of the elderly in the Falkland Islands and agreed that certain aids and appliances should be bought this financial year and a call system installed in the sheltered houses. It was agreed that in the next financial year provision should be made for the recruitment of a second District Nurse, and for the building of 10 new sheltered homes. Work on planning these homes and obtaining planning permission would start at once.

(Let me say here that every time I say that something is agreed and it involves money, I mean that it is agreed subject to the clearance of Standing Finance Committee which consists of all Councillors and always meets the day after

ExCo.)

It was agreed that FIG would reimburse the cost of insurance against malpractice claims for the doctors in KEMH. This goes against our earlier decision, but it has become clear that what we have now agreed is a more economical and generally more satisfactory solution.

It was agreed that a health and safety coordinator should be recruited for a period of six months. It was agreed that a part-time chiropodist should be appointed on an hourly basis.

The recruitment of a Crown Counsel for the Attorney-General's Chambers was agreed because of the heavy pressure of legal work, largely due to oil legislation. A visit by training experts from the Industrial Society was agreed. Two trainers are expected to come out in February to work with the Civil Service. It may be that spaces will be available against payment for the private sector.

The annual report of Falkland Landholdings was presented to Councillors for information.

It was agreed that land for five residential building plots should be released between Jersey road and the By-pass. The Financial Secretary reported that agreement had been reached with the Government of Argentina on bank balances which had been frozen in Stanley and Buenos Aires at the time of the conflict. The sum of £127,736 had been received in our account with Standard Chartered Bank, which represented Argentine official balances in the Government Savings Bank at the time of the invasion, plus interest which had accrued over the last 12

years.

It was agreed that the agricultural labour subsidy would be continued for a further year at a rate of 10 per cent, which will cost government £45,000. The question of assistance to farmers holding non-government mortgages was discussed at some length and it was agreed that in principle a loan of 25 per cent of the original government valuation of these farms would be offered to the mortgagors. The terms would be similar to those for the zero interest loans applied to government mortgages. The Treasury will be discussing the details of these transactions with Standard Chartered Bank and DS & Co. The cost is estimated to be £158,000.

The Chief Executive reported on the latest meeting of the Oil Management Team and on geological prospecting work which had been undertaken in the Islands by the Geochem Company.

Councillors discussed the report of the Commission of Inquiry into the National Stud Flock at some length and the Chief Executive has prepared a Press Release which was agreed by Councillors welcoming the report prepared by Mr James Wood and Mr Brook Hardcastle. I will not repeat the Press Release, but Councillors agreed that the report was a very thorough, fair and balanced piece of work which should be made available to the public, at a cost of £5 a copy, at once.

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NOTICE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Notice is hereby given that the following applications for planning permission have been received:

Reference No.	Applicant	Development
47/93/R95	F.I.D.C	Renewal of temporary planning permission to site a Portaloos at plot 33 Lookout Industrial Estate, Stanley.
5/93/R95	Mr F B Claxton	Renewal of temporary planning permission to site two Portakabins for use as retail shop at Plot 1 Lookout Industrial Estate, Stanley
128/94/P	Mr M Luxton	Outline application for dwelling on the land rear of 15 Fitzroy Road fronting Davis Street, Stanley
129/94/PB	F.I. YMCA	Alterations to design of approved roofing over Rollalong units used as hobby rooms at 12 Shackleton Drive, Stanley
130/94/PB	Mr T Summers	Replacements of existing porch with glazed conservatory at 1 Ross Road West, Stanley
01/95/PB	Mr and Mrs Heathman	Extension of Dwelling house at 15 Eliza Cove Road, Stanley
02/95/PB	Mr M V Summers	Extension to house at rear of 11 Pioneer Row, Stanley.
03/95/PB	Alison Blackburn	Erection of Garage/Workshop at 9 Pioneer Road, Stanley
04/95/PB	LMW	Erection of 2, 3-bedroomed houses and 1, 2 bedroomed house at 6, 8 and 10 Beaver Road, Stanley.
05/95/PB	Mr R Ross	Siting of Wyseplan accommodation unit for use as dwelling at 21 John Street, Stanley.
06/95/PB	Mr M Collier	Extension to dwelling, 11 Campbell Drive, Stanley.
07/95/PB	Mr J Thain	Construction of new front porch at 8 Davis Street, Stanley
08/95/PB	Mr C Kirkham	Erection of dwelling at 5 Capricorn Road, Stanley.

These applications may be inspected during normal office hours at the Office of the Secretary to the Planning and Building Committee, Secretariat, Stanley. Comments on the applications should be made in writing and should be sent to the Building Adviser - Planning Officer, Building Control Office, Ross Road, Stanley within 10 days of the date of this notice.

The next meeting of the Planning and Building Committee is due to be held on 2nd February 1995 in the Liberation Room of the Secretariat, commencing 1.30 pm. Members of the Public may attend to observe the workings of the Committee.

The Secretariat
Stanley

Date: 20 January 1995

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Above: Carcass Island serenely awaits the friendly Aussie invasion.
Below: *Alla Tarasova* arrives from West Point Island



Below: Slowly the mountain of scones, buns, and other delights disappears



Text and photos by John Fowler



Above: Tourists pause to photograph herons
Below: Rob fills Peter Clement's mug.



Time for a bit of tea on Carcass Island

BY CARCASS ISLAND STANDARDS, it was not a big occasion. Rob said the Russian cruise ship, *Alla Tarasova* would deposit between sixty to eighty passengers on the island for a walk and "a bit of afternoon tea". Some would be landed about two miles away on a sand beach to make their way round to the settlement and others would be brought direct by launch to the settlement. It was all in hand - Aunt had done the baking and he would supervise the stove to make sure that the supply of boiling water for the kettles was kept up. In the past they had catered for much bigger groups. Having been in the catering business myself and remembering the panic and preparation that one coach party of old age pensioners could cause, I decided that this was an occasion to witness. After all, those of us who live in Stanley know what happens to tourists here - they seem largely left to wander aimlessly up and down Ross Road blocking the traffic - but what happens to them at places like Carcass Island is a mystery.

My first clue to a possible difference of approach came when I asked Rob if he would mind me hanging around to take photographs and talk to the tourists. He was enthusiastic, not because any possible publicity which might derive from it, but because "it is always good to have extra people for the tourists to talk to."

Shortly after lunch the ship came into view and dropped anchor some way out from the settlement - further than most, said Rob, though the day was calm and warm, if occasionally a little overcast.

In the kitchen, 'Aunt', Mrs Agnes Hogarth, was piling the table high with mountains of fresh baking, huge kettles were

already coming to the boil on the stove and pyramids of mugs, flanked by towers of plates and napkins stood to attention on a side table. No country was ever more prepared for invasion than Rob and Agnes on that occasion.

First ashore, driving a large inflatable, was Islander Peter Clement, who with his American wife and step-daughter formed a sizeable chunk of the ship's tour staff. The tourists were mainly Australian, he said, and a good bunch.

The first of them began to arrive at the house mid-afternoon and after spending some time in wonder at the heronry within yards of Rob's front door began to drift into the kitchen for tea.

Later, on the beach, I heard one lady from South Australia say to another that she now understood what tea-drinking was all about as she had not had such a good "cuppa" in all her life.

For an hour and a half or so, they filtered through, greeted by 'Aunt', who discreetly equipped each one with mug, plate and napkin, then on to Rob at the stove who dispensed tea and conversation. Thus equipped, they were free to graze amongst the culinary treasures on the table.

When the last guest had departed, along with Bernice Eccles, who had combined customs duties with washing-up, 'Aunt' said, "now, who would like a cup of tea?"



Above: "Aunt", Mrs Agnes Hogarth, with more goodies



Above: the Carcass Island mug mountain.



Below: the last boatload arrives.

Monarch Exploration launch "long shot" oil share offer locally

MONARCH Exploration (Falklands) Ltd, a company registered in the Falklands, but with its roots in Aberdeen and the North Sea Oil fields, last week sent a copy of its prospectus and an invitation to participate in a special share offer to virtually every permanent household in the Falkland Islands.

The offer of 500,000 "A" Ordinary shares of 10p each is available only to what are described as "individual natural persons who have their principal place of residence in the Falkland Islands".

The minimum application per person will be 250 offer shares, but only 2p per share need be paid on application, with the remaining 8p becoming due, at the directors' discretion, when the company is successful in obtaining an interest in a licence to explore for oil, either alone, which would be very unlikely, or as part of a bidding group.

Hamish Wylie, one of two local directors, explained that while

a licence to explore a particular area might be taken up by a consortium of major oil companies - the sort whose names you might expect to see on petrol pumps - it is usual for them to reduce their own financial risks by allowing smaller, speculative, independent companies such as Monarch to bid for small percentages of the action, which might together add up to as much as 25% of the licence.

This risk sharing is very similar to a bookie "laying off" bets as an insurance against too many outsiders romping home in front, though in the oil business the risk is that the hugely expensive exploration of a given area might not produce oil or gas in commercially viable quantities.

Early indications from Ledingham Chalmers, who are handling the share offer, is of "a fair level of interest", but nobody, including the firm's directors, is pretending that it is anything other than a very long shot.

Hamish Wylie said it was unlikely that Monarch would ever issue a dividend on their shares, which had to be regarded as "growth stock" whose value would increase the nearer Monarch came to achieving its stated objectives.

If Monarch were successful in becoming part of a bidding group, which obtained a licence, the remaining 8p per share would be called on, and the ability to transfer shares to children or grandchildren under 18 years would be possible to enable them to share in a bonanza which, if it comes at all, might be in their lifetime rather than ours.

UK Stock Exchange listing would follow, and the residency restrictions on ownership of "A" shares would be lifted, allowing the shares to be traded on the open market.

The final date for applications for "A" category shares to be in by is 10am, Friday, 3rd February.

MAGISTRATES COURT

EIGHT cases, mainly driving offences, including three of speeding on the MPA road, faced Senior Magistrate Andrew Jones on Wednesday, January 24.

Messrs. Alan Steen and Aaron Stewart were jointly charged with fishing on the Malo River in an area reserved for the Fishing Club on October 8. In defence, Mr. Steen told the Court there was nothing to indicate fishing restrictions in the area where they were fishing, on the South side of the river.

Recognising the unintentional nature of the offences, the Magistrate awarded conditional discharges to both men for 12 months, and each was ordered to pay £17.50 costs.

Mr. Paul Ford pleaded guilty to inflicting bodily harm on Mr. Paul Watson at Douglas Station in two separate incidents on December 22. The Senior Magistrate requested a social report, and adjourned the case until March 1. He recommended that the accused obtain legal representation.

In the final case on Wednesday, a youth pleaded guilty to obtaining, with two other youths, a case of beer and drinking two cans from it. He was fined £40, and ordered to pay £35 costs.

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CPA visit - a triumph from every point of view

ONE THING is certain: the weeklong Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference in Stanley, which concluded on Tuesday, January 24, was a major success for the Falkland Islands, where such an event had never been hosted before. It was also vivid proof of the CPA's potential for good, especially the good of its members.

At a press conference held at the conclusion of the Conference, overseas delegates were loud, prolonged, and utterly sincere in their praise for the warmth of their reception - not only by officials, but by the rank and file of Islanders of all ages - and for the efficiency and meticulous attention to detail which characterised all the arrangements.

"I'm amazed at how successful and how well organised it has been," said the Hon. Edward George Lowey, delegate from the Isle of Man. He likened its smooth running to that of a swan, moving utterly serene, calm and cool over the water - but to maintain that appearance, underneath the surface the feet had to be going eight-to-the dozen.

"It has been a remarkable achievement for the Falklands to host this Conference," he continued. "...the Commonwealth is a family of nations, and I can assure you I felt very much at home and very much with the family in the Falklands, and I know I speak for

all my colleagues."

He paid particular tribute to the work of the Clerk of Council, Mrs. Claudette Ceballos, who had primary responsibility for the Conference arrangements.

Indeed, one delegate referred to "14 new ambassadors for the Falklands" returning to their homes.

Each of the overseas delegates, received an album of 24 colour photographs of the Conference, taken by Norman Clark, at a reception held on the evening before their departure. On arrival, the delegates had been presented with folders in Falklands leather, specially commissioned from Colin Davies.

Among the positive achievements of the Conference, one of the most significant was the attention paid by delegates to the economic plight of the Island of St. Helena, as presented by its delegate, the Hon. William E. Drabble.

As the only member on budgetary aid from Britain, the Island lacks £1,000,000 necessary to build an airport, according to Mr. Drabble. Jersey and Guernsey delegates spoke of their intention to urge fellow legislators from their two islands, plus the Isle of Man, to make St. Helena a focus for their overseas financial aid; likewise, the U.K. delegates from both parties said they would air their information about the plight

of the Island at every level, including with Baroness Chalker, the Minister for Overseas Development, and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

The delegates also felt that moves should be made to extend to St. Helenians of the right of abode in Britain - a right which, it was assumed, they were denied on racial grounds, primarily because of similar problems with the Chinese population of Hong Kong.

From the Falklands point of view, the Hon. Wendy Teggart observed, "What has impressed itself on me is that situations which we're facing now, some other territories faced ten, twenty, thirty years ago. They have the expertise; it's something we can learn from." More specifically, she mentioned that Jersey had recently invested in sewage disposal equipment - a matter of immediate concern in Stanley - and that the Jersey delegate, Mr. R.L. LeBrocq had supplied her with information pertaining to it.

Other Falklands Councillors, in particular, the Hon. Norma Edwards and the Hon. John Cheek, stressed the value of the interchange of ideas (as did their overseas colleagues) as included in the session on Conflicts of Interest, for example, and also in the discussion of the Desirability of Government Incentives for Industry.

What useful information had the visitors acquired here? Mr. Drabble, of St. Helena, had no doubt; he especially admired the close proximity of Stanley's sheltered accommodation to its hospital. On St. Helena, where the community is much older, he said, the hospital is far from the "old people's home".

This, he indicated, posed all sorts of problems to older citizens. If he could look forward to (an improvement for medical cases and old people) on St. Helena, "I would come down and steal your design."

Overall, the impression conveyed of the CPA, in its Falkland Islands setting, is of a vibrant, multinational, multiracial, multi-religious body continuing to profit from the noncompetitive, mutually supporting association of its members. As one delegate put it:

"The Commonwealth is a growing organization; there are more people applying to join it every year. It has 10,000 parliamentarians representing over a billion people; more than a quarter of the world's population; represented on every continent of the globe; with over 80 years of continued growth...."

In every way, said Councillor Cheek, the Falklands has been privileged to host its latest conference.

The Radiant Star from Scotland to Seattle

FIVE veteran yachtspeople, sailing a converted fishing boat - the "Radiant Star" - from Scotland to Seattle, Washington (U.S.A.), have briefly visited Stanley before rounding the Horn.

The multinational group, composed of American owner, Alan Buchan (from Seattle), fellow American Gerry Smith, Australians Doug Jenkin, and Ted and Barbara Morgan, are interested in

world circumnavigation, Alan having been right around in his yacht, and Ted and Barbara having left their own craft in Antigua, in the middle of a journey around the planet, to help crew Alan's boat when he called on them for help.

The Morgans joined the boat in Scotland, whereas Doug and Gerry flew to Buenos Aires to meet the Radiant Star.

"We stopped a month in Buenos

Aires," said Barbara, "so Alan could go home for Christmas. Ted (her husband) and I baby-sat the boat."

On a voyage which has so far lasted five and a half months, the boat has stopped in Portugal, the Canary Islands, Cape Verde, Brazil, Uruguay, Buenos Aires, and Stanley. Their planned route from here, which will take them around the Horn and through the Beagle Channel, should take them to Seattle in May.

During their five-day visit here they fell in love with Falkland Islands "lamb", said Barbara. They were disappointed at not seeing Falkland Islands penguins, however, other than some "jackass" penguins they saw swimming on their way in.

Of the five, Ted and Barbara are the most committed "sea vagabonds".

"We live on our boat," said Barbara. "We left Australia eight years ago, and we haven't got it back to Australia yet, so our life is on the boat."

Was it simply a matter of taking their time?

"We decided we might as well see as much as we can," she said. "Mind you," she added, "you gain some things; you lose some things."

I think we're gaining a lot in what we've seen over the past eight

years, but we're losing out familywise. We have two little grandchildren at home that we're not getting to see."

"Life's a compromise," suggested Doug.

She is writing a book; so in a few years we may get the Morgan view of what is today a very small world.

Obituary

WE REGRET to have to record the death at Glenrothes Scotland after a long illness, of Duncan McDonald.

Duncan arrived in the Falklands during 1957 as government plumber; he married Eunice - nee Peck and their two children Ann & Brian were both born in Stanley. The family left to settle in Scotland in 1964.

Duncan returned for a short spell in 1988 with Contractors as MPA & Stanley. He will be remembered by many as a very keen footballer playing for Mustangs and Stanley 1st Team. He was also very much involved in the local darts scene.

We extend our sympathy to Eunice, Ann, Brian and the three grandchildren.



Crew of Radiant star

Stefan Heijtz: world expert on Falklands stamps from Sweden

GIVEN the unsung contribution of people of Scandinavian origin to the Falkland Islands - (if you don't believe me just look in the phone book and ask yourself where all the Andersons, Bernsens, Clausens, Hansens, Jacobsons, Larsens, Neilsons, Petterssons and Thorsens came from, not to mention those names that have disappeared over the years like Andrierson, Henrickson and Swenson) - it should maybe come as no surprise that the author of the definitive catalogue of the stamps of the Falkland Islands and their dependencies is a Swede, Stefan Heijtz by name.

What is a surprise in one so eminent in his field is both how young he is and how unassuming. A stamp collector since the age of five and much-travelled at an early age, as his father, who was in insurance, worked in many European countries, the young Stefan began to specialise in the stamps of very far away places by the age of 11, when he collected the stamps of several British colonies.

In 1972, by chance he acquired a good collection of Falklands stamps and by 1973, aged about 15, he began to correspond with the late Bill Eideridge, who was then Postmaster General in Stanley.

Stefan's authoritative "Specialised Stamp Catalogue of the Falkland Islands and Dependencies, including Postal History and Cancellations, 1800-1990", came out in its first edition in 1988, was reissued in 1990 and currently Stefan is working on a 3rd Edition.

Curiously, for one who by that time was one of the world's authorities on Falkland Islands stamps, Stefan did not make his first visit here till 1989, though he has been back eight times since then and has spent two seasons, 91/92 and 92/93, "down south" as postman on James Clark Ross and Bransfield.

Last year in *Penguin News* (Vol 6, No 2, of February 9th) Stefan asked the question "Falklands Philately - is there a future?" He was concerned at the time, both about the issuing policy - too many issues - and the quality of some issues - most strikingly the notorious 'Pets' issue, which appeared to depart from the overall excellence which had characterised the design of Falklands stamps in the past.

A year on, asked whether the future now seemed brighter, Stefan appeared to concede that there had been some improvement; the number of issues had been slightly reduced and they had included the latest definitive set of inshore marine life, designed by Tony Chater, which Stefan was happy to describe as "truly superb".

The reason for Stefan's visit to the Falklands on this occasion is to attend the forthcoming celebrations for the twenty-fifth birthday of the Falkland Islands Philatelic Study Group, which will be marked by a special Reception at Government House, attended by members of the Study Group, a tour group of philatelic tourists led by Major Ronnie Spafford, the staff of the Philatelic Bureau, Post Office workers both civilian and military, members of the Stamp Committee and local artists whose

designs have at one time or another been featured on Falklands stamps. Among the overseas members who will be attending the Reception is Mr Malcolm Barton, described by Stephen Palmer as the "Father of the Study Group" and a second cousin to John Barton and Leif Pollard of Stanley, who surprisingly, will be making his first ever visit to the Islands. Guests at the reception will be treated to an exhibition of some of the original art work and proofs of many Falklands stamp issues, which are kept in the Post Office as well as a chance to see some Stefan Heijtz's own outstanding Falklands philatelic material.



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"An Islander and always will be" Harry Rozee returns to the Falklands after thirteen years

ON MARCH 3 1982, Harry Rozee left the Falklands as he had done every year since 1979, to travel the world earning his living as a shearer. Harry at this time was a popular young man, particularly with the old people of Stanley, many of whom had reason to be grateful for his characteristic kindness and energy. With his brother Ron, he would frequently lend a hand to cut peat or dig gardens for people getting on in years.

First port of call, as it had been the previous year with fellow shearer, John Jones, was the wool producing area of Argentina just a stop on the way in a tour which might normally have gone on to include the United States, Scandinavia, Europe or the UK - wherever there were sheep waiting to be shorn. This time, however, although he did not know it, Harry was destined to get no further than Argentina and would not return to his native country until two weeks ago.

The Harry Rozee of today lives in Buenos Aires, where he has his own house and his own successful pest control business. He is accompanied in his visit to the Falklands by his wife, Elena, who has a doctorate in pharmaceutical biochemistry, and their two children: Alec, 3yrs and Ivan, 17 months. The smiling, devil-may-care boy that was Harry Rozee has been replaced by a more mature, serious person, who chooses his words carefully and smiles infrequently.

When the Argentine invasion of the Falklands took place in April 1982, Harry was shearing on farms in the Province of Buenos Aires. What happened to him in the months that followed became a subject for much speculation and rumour in the Falklands and will remain, it seems, forever a mystery, because Harry does not wish to talk about it.

It is known that he appeared at the United Nations in New York shortly after the war ended, as part of an Argentine delegation, which included Alec Betts, but, unlike Betts, did not appear there again.

Towards the end of 1982, Harry went down south to Chubut to help with the establishment of a wool scouring plant and remained there for some years, becoming the General Co-ordinating Manager of the plant, which had a work force of around 160, mainly Chileans.

In Chubut, Harry met many Argentines of English, Scottish and Irish descent, but poor medical provision and a thirst for self-improvement eventually took him back to Buenos Aires, where he

found work with an organisation exporting machinery throughout South America and also to India and countries in Africa.

During this period, Harry also went back to school, virtually repeating the whole of his Junior and Secondary education, but this time in Spanish and to a higher level. He also studied for and obtained work-related qualifications in such subjects as exportation, and accident prevention. Harry met his wife during this period in the unromantic setting of a meat-additive preparation centre.

Returning to visit the family he has not seen for thirteen years with a new family of his own, Harry would admit to some nervousness, but he has been surprised by the warmth of his reception - not only from family, whose good will might have been expected, but also from old friends - though he was sad to discover how many of the latter are no longer living. Many people had telephoned to welcome him back and to ask him to visit, Harry said.

Indeed, surprisingly, it was in the people of the Falklands that Harry perceived the biggest change: they seem, he thought, "more integrated and more thoughtful" than he remembered.

Naturally he found Stanley much changed for the better, being particularly impressed with the Community School, which here reckons is as good or better than anything in South America.

Harry had been impressed by the advances in communications in the islands, though he was fearful that the campers might have thrown out their 2 metre sets too soon.

Asked to describe his biggest disappointment, Harry found the answer easily "Why did they do all these things today and not in my day?"

Harry, who says of himself, "I am an Islander and always will be", makes no apologies for living



Harry Rozee and family in Stanley this week

in Argentina; he has been able to build a life there in a way which he doubts would have been possible here or in UK.

He would have liked to settle in Britain, but says, "what was I or any Falkland Islander in Britain prior to 1982, except a problem?"

Royal occasion for Falkland Islands Philatelic Study Group

TO COMMEMORATE its Silver Jubilee, the Falkland Islands Philatelic Study Group (FIPSG), was invited to give a display of Falkland Island stamps at the Royal Philatelic Society in London (RPSL) on 19 January 1995.

RSPL is one of the oldest and most prestigious stamp societies in the world and has H M the Queen as patron and it is a great honour to be invited to give a display there.

This was probably the most comprehensive display of Falkland Island stamps and philately ever shown and it contained examples of virtually every aspect of Falklands philately, from early mail to and from the islands from the 1840's, to more recent examples like 1982 conflict mail and covers with departmental cachets.

The display consisted of 52 frames of 12 pages, a total of 624 pages, and it was divided into four main sections: Movement of mail, Postage Stamps, Cancellations, Postal Stationery + Proofs + various. Between 30 and 40 Study Group members contributed material to the display which was organised by a sub-committee of four (Frank Mitchell, Malcolm Barton, Robert Barnes, Ronnie Spafford), each being responsible for one section of 13 frames. The sub-committee worked very hard with the planning and organising of the display and they also produced a booklet of 24 pages for the event, describing the various sections and items shown.

In all some 40 FIPSG members and more than 100 RSPL attended this event which was a great success and an important event not only for Falkland philately but also for the knowledge and understanding of the Falkland Islands. All people involved must be congratulated and thanked for all their hard work and devotion.

Anybody interested in the Study Group or wishing to become a member should contact the membership secretary: Mr D W A Jeffery, 38 Bradstock Road, Stoneleigh, Epsom, Surrey KT17 2LH, England.

Report by
Stefan Heijtz

(See also article on page 10)



Just arriving this week:

Lots of new Moto X goodies ★ The new '95 range of Wulf Moonstrike clothing ★ Renthal and Acerbis bars ★ Scott grips ★ Front and rear Moto X tyres ★ body armour ★ boots and bike plastics ★ lots of Moto X Tee-shirts in stock.

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PERSONAL

MAY and BILL ROBERTS
 Congratulations Mum and Dad on your Ruby Wedding 29th January, 1995
 Lots of love from Ron, Chris, Jen, Colin, Selina and Jack xx

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 To Mums and Dads with a party for Sons and Daughters. Let us help solve that problem. We are available on request for children's parties for children age 1-10yrs (20 or less)
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NOTICES

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 For full details and prices contact Robin or Mandy Goodwin, Green Field Farm tel/fax: 32220 or contact the tourist Office

LMW(BM)ltd will have a vacancy for a qualified joiner commencing early March. For further details phone: 22640

Anna King hopes to visit New Zealand and Australia in the near future and would be grateful for any names and addresses of Falkland Islanders living in either place. Anna would like to be able to photograph and interview as many people as possible during her visit. If you can help, contact Anna on tel: 21236, fax: 22601 or by post to P O Box 169, Stanley. Any assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Rifle Association

The Wimbeldon Cup was shot for over all 5 ranges on the 22nd January. Being 4 points behind at the time final range Susan Whitney scored 33 at 1000 yards to take the cup
Scores:-

Susan Whitney	157.9
Pat Peck	155.8
Tim McCallum	154
Ken Aldridge	152
Chris McCallum	151.8

POSTSCRIPT FROM THE BAHAI'S

IF I were an Indian - born and raised in India - I would most likely have been reared as a member of the Hindu Faith. In a community of some 750,000,000 fellow Hindus, belonging to a religion approximately 4,000 years old - by far the oldest major religion on earth - I would have no doubt that my religion was God-given and profoundly sacred. I would believe in many of the same principles that people of other major religions believe in, but my Faith would have been teaching them before the others.

It would give me a spiritual life probably much more profound than that of most western peoples. I would accept such Prophets as Moses and Jesus as having been sent by God to mankind, even though today their followers would be unlikely to accord a similar recognition to my own Faith. Also, I would be able to point to one of the greatest spiritual leaders to appear in this century - Mahatma Gandhi - as a representative of the Hindu Faith.

If I were a Buddhist - a follower of Gautama Buddha - I would adhere to a religion more widely spread among the nations than

Hinduism. Although not as old as Hinduism, it would still rank as one of the oldest of today's major religions - Buddha appeared 500 years before Christ. I would believe very much in love, not only between humans, but for all living things; I would believe that God forbids me to kill creatures which have received the gift of life. Our scriptures would have many of the same teachings that Christ taught later on. My Faith would be deeply appealing today to spiritual seekers in the West, and I could point to U Thant, a previous Secretary-General of the United Nations, as an example of my Faith in action.

If I were a member of either of these religions, I would be deeply puzzled to understand how Jews and Christians could believe that my fellow religionists and myself were following false religions; how they could conceive that for anywhere from 25 to 49 centuries, God - a God of infinite love and mercy - would have allowed thousands of millions of our ancestors to live and die in the coldness of false beliefs, without salvation. In my heart and soul I would know that this is not so.

Moto X Report by Kelly Moffat

WELL, as yet another point scoring season nears the end, as always, there are the winners and the losers.

With only one more Moto X event left in the season to score points, things are getting pretty tight and next week-end's Rally should be quite exciting.

With Jonny Summers out of the Experts and the Open Class Challenge due to numerous injuries (be more careful next time you're practising, Chay!) there won't be as much competition in those two races, but, in the Open Class Challenge, both Andrew Alazia and Arthur Turner are pretty determined to get the Trophy and look as though they'll go to any lengths to secure it. The placings so far are: 1st Arthur Turner with 77 points, 2nd Andrew Alazia with 64 points, and just one point behind Andrew, is poor old Jonny Summers with 63 points.

In the Experts race there is very high scoring going on, and the competition is tremendous. Last years champion Derek Jaffray is in first place with 141 well earned points. Following closely at his heels, Arthur Turner is in 2nd place, with 123 points on the board. Andrew Alazia is in 3rd place with

111 points. In the Clubman's, Jan Clarke is flying away in the lead, with a massive 131 points in all. On his tail are Steven Jennings with 118 points and Christian Bernsten with 104 points.

The Junior's race, where all the champs come from is next. Jay Moffat seems to be a dead cert, for the Becks side Junior's Championship Title as he is way in the lead with a total of 151 points - the highest scoring person in the season so far! In second place with 108 points is Sean Moffat, and in third place is Ryan Hawksworth with 94 points.

So, will you be there to see all the action take place? This week-end's Moto X will be held at Becks side Farm, next to Pony's Pass Quarry on 29th January and the first race should commence around 11.00am.

And remember, whether you're riding or watching, everyone is welcome!

So that you can calculate who you think may win, here is how the points are scored:- 1st - 20pts, 2nd - 17pts, 3rd - 15pts, 4th - 13pts, 5th - 11pts, 6th - 10pts, and then going down one point each place to zero.

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Progress in Falklands fishing industry: two trawlers registered in week.

THIS week, two local fishing companies, Fortuna and Argos celebrated what might be regarded as a coming of age for the industry in the Falklands with the registration in Stanley of two trawlers, in which each have a significant interest.

On Monday the Petrel Fishing Co. Ltd, a joint venture company in which Fortuna have a 25% share-holding, registered the Pescavigo Dos, a stern trawler of 1,627 tonnes, which has spent the last five years fishing in Falkland Islands waters, in association with Fortuna, but under the Spanish flag.

On Wednesday it was the turn of the Argos Fishing Company to invite the Governor to the renaming and registration in Stanley of the Argos Pereira, previously the Punte Pereiras, a stern trawler of 1093 registered tonnes. The Argos Pereira, which has just undergone an expensive and extensive refit to bring it up to the standards required by the British Department of Transport, was built in 1983, and had also spent much of her working life in these waters.

Speaking at a ceremony on the ship's bridge, Argos Director, Robin Pitaluga said that the ship had cost £2.5 million to purchase, of which £1.25 had been raised by Argos itself, from their fishing operations and from commercial borrowing.

Marine Addis: investigations resume

A DETACHMENT of police officers, under the command of Chief Police Officer Ken Greenland, have gone to North Arm in connection with the investigation into the disappearance in 1980 of Marine Alan Addis, according to Police Inspector David Morris.

The current visit by a team drawn from the Royal Falkland Islands police and the Military Police, believed to be nine in number, is in effect a resumption of investigations carried out last summer around North Arm, when a number of areas were logged as

The path to trawler ownership had been long and sometimes very difficult, but he acknowledged the advice information and co-operation received from FIG, the Fisheries Department and the FIDC without which the event

requiring a closer inspection, said Inspector Morris.

The file on the disappearance of Marine Addis, who is still listed as a "missing person", was lost during the Argentine occupation of the Falklands in 1982, and the police activity last year was an attempt to make a new and systematic investigation of the incident, which occurred when Marine Addis was one of a detachment of Royal Marines aboard MV Forrest.

Mrs. Addis, the mother of the missing man, is expected to visit the Falklands later in the year.



The Argos Pereira at FIPASS on Wednesday

being celebrated might not have been possible.

"In the words of the once popular song", said Robin, "We've had some good times and some bad times" The good times had led to the day's happy occasion,

RAF red faces in Brazil

IT appears that there were some red faces at Rio airport last Friday, when the authorities there refused to accept the RAF's credit card to fill up the diverted Tri-Star on which the Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth, Mr David Davis, was travelling to the Falklands. Luckily the British Embassy were able to pay up.

"As you were" for West Camp Roads

AFTER some months of contractual wrangles between Government and White Rock Ltd over whether or not their contract allowed for road construction directly over hard camp, it has now been agreed that White Rock may do just that.

As was reported previously, the "misunderstandings" over the road contract specification between White Rock and PWD, led to the suspension of the contract and a return to a tendering position, though in the event, White Rock were the only firm to tender and their revised estimates for the extra cost of pre-construction excavation had been allowed.

FIG's decision, which it is believed was largely underwritten by West councillor and Chairman of the Transport Committee, Bill Luxton, will allow White Rock to return to their previously predicted rate of progress, Director Robin Lee said on Friday.

Fresh hope for school extension

DISCUSSIONS, described as constructive and cordial, resumed this week between FIG and FIC over the availability of land between Ross Road and John Street to facilitate the expansion of the Infant and Junior School.

German flying saucer not a UFO or a speed trap

A STRANGE, flying saucer-like object appeared on top of Lookout Rocks on the Stanley By-pass last week, but was not, as some motorists had feared, a video speed trap, but something far more sophisticated.

Investigated by *Penguin News* it was discovered that the object, used for pin-point location-finding by a satellite navigation system, belonged to two scientists of the German Antarctic Survey and was part of a long term project to detect movements in the earth's crust.

Lest anyone should be alarmed, such movements, should they occur will be measured in cms per 5 years!



MR DAVID DAVIS, the Minister of State at the Foreign Office with responsibility for our part of the world, arrived in the Falklands late on Friday 27 and departed for Brazil, on Monday 31st. It was in the event not quite the flying visit it might have been, though the Minister did spend quite a lot of his time here, quite literally in the air. Besides flying by FIGAS Islander to visit Fox Bay and Pebble Island, the Minister also enjoyed a trip in an RAF Chinook helicopter, but a requested joy-ride in an RAF Tornado had to be cancelled due to weather. Even leaving the Falklands, things did not go quite as smoothly as planned; the Minister had intended taking a private Lear Jet to Brazil, but in the end had to make do with a rugged "Fat Albert" Hercules of the Royal Air Force.

While here, the Minister was at pains to mention the visit's "symbolic importance". Let's hope this is appreciated by taxpayers in both hemispheres when his travel bill is presented. Judging by the response to his visit in Stanley, few people would have minded much if he had taken advantage of his Tri-Star's unplanned diversion to Brazil on the way here and stayed there. He could then, perhaps, have sent on a symbolic briefcase or bowler hat (Perhaps he left because he was upset by the little difficulty the RAF had at the pumps when they asked the Brazilians to "Fill her up".) (See report elsewhere)

On Saturday afternoon, the Minister held what had been billed as a public meeting/press conference, and although it was attended by only three people, it was useful, if only to explain why governments these days seem to rely more and more on burglars and "leaks" to allow real information to escape from the corridors of power and out into the world at large.

Introducing his visit as being partly in response to the recently raised level of "Argentine rhetoric", the Minister seemed equally keen to rely on familiar "British rhetoric". For example, his visit was intended to reinforce "the message of commitment to the Falklands' right to self determination" - but at the same time, he seemed strangely reluctant, either in the press conference or during the "phone in" of the following day, to enter into debate about our concerns or even admit that we had anything to worry about.

The Minister seemed perplexed at a suggestion that the discovery of oil here might have an effect on the politics of this region and dismissed as faintly ludicrous, the notion that commercial forces might attempt to apply pressure on the governments involved to achieve a solution to the sovereignty dispute, which might be unwelcome to us.

Despite a worrying reference to "keeping the Argentines in the picture" about our intentions with regard to oil, he was adamant that if oil were to be discovered, even in globally significant quantities, it would remain ours to do with as we liked.

I do not wish to seem disbelieving or ungrateful, (though perhaps I should not worry, as the Minister was quick with reassurances that we are all viewed by the British public with as much affection as ever), but despite all this assurance and reassurance, I still find myself feeling uneasy. What causes my uneasiness is not that things might be kept from us, but the certainty that if they are, we will have absolutely no way of knowing, until it is too late.

On February 1, a mere two days after the Minister had departed our shores, the Financial Times reported that "informal talks start today between representatives of Argentina and the UK that are aimed, says a British official, at finding a 'basis for an agreement between the two countries and the Falkland Islands Government on co-operation in the exploration and exploitation of oil'". How long will it be, I wonder, until we see Mr Davis again, and will he this time be following in the footsteps of the late Nicholas Ridley, or even those of Lord Chalfont before him in offering some sort of 'buy out'?

Vacancy

The Highways Section of the Public Works Department has a vacancy for a grader operator, to assist in the maintenance of the MPA and Darwin Road and the North Camp Tracks.

Applicants would hold an HGV Licence and may be required to live away from Stanley for brief periods.

Wages payable are in accordance with the Stanley GEU wage agreement for a plant operator and will initially be at the bottom of the scale on £3.72 per hour.

For further information regarding this position please contact Mr Bob Hancock on Tel: 27382 during normal working hours.

Applications forms are available from the Secretariat and completed forms must reach the Director of Public Works on or before 4.30pm on Monday 6th February 1995.

YOUR LETTERS.....

Ted asks the oracle

AFTER reading Mrs Donelan's request (Penguin News December 24th '94) I plied my old time oracle with another cup of coffee in order to stimulate his memory. My oracle is of course my father-in-law Ray Campbell now at the ripe age of 91.

During part of his boyhood Ray lived at Teal Inlet with his parents Elizabeth and Walter. He can remember John (?) Whitlock who, he says, was a tripe and offal cleaner and packer who apparently travelled around the Camp stations cleaning and packing such items, "a very smelly job" according to Ray. He can remember the mucky shed John Whitlock worked from and how the boys got into trouble for "hanging around". Whitlock was based at Goose Green but Ray cannot remember who he (John) actually worked for, probably the FIC. He seems to remember that Whitlock came from East Anglia.

Regarding the Berrido family Ray recalls Phillip came from Chile and worked for the Canning Factory at Goose Green run, he believes, by the FIC, a venture that apparently was not too successful. Ray recalls hearing about the marriage of Phillip and Lucy at Goose Green and states that many (Berrido's) stemmed from this. During the period he and his mother lived in Stanley Cottage,

in Stanley, Ray can remember one of the Berrido boys used to come every week to collect potatoes for "old Mrs Petterson". My better half Jean remembers Louisa Berrido who worked at the Woodbine.

Although Ray's recollection of events and life is still very sharp he sometimes is a bit hazy on dates.

Coincidentally Rays reference to the Canning Factory at Goose Green links with another old timer Jean writes to, a Mrs Pat Bevan-Jones nee Harris who is 87 years old. Her father emigrated to the Falklands from Bath in the 1980's and married Madge Pimm in 1902 or 1903. The connection is that her father eventually was in charge of the Canning Factory at Goose Green and, like Ray, Pat understands the factory was not too successful.

For those interested Pat was born at Goose Green (in 1908) as were her brother and sisters - Martin 1905, Catherine 1906, Norah 1909, except for Margaret who was born in Santa Cruz in 1914.

I hope this is of interest to Mrs Donelan. My best wishes to all.

Ted Clapp
Scotland

Blacklisting doesn't help anyone

SOME Saints give up everything for God, i.e. family, friends, riches, and through various acts of self-denial, coupled with a certain dialogue with God, they radiate love in everything they do.

The alcoholic, on the other hand, goes in the opposite direction: he loses family, friends, career, all material comforts, all for the craving and the fact that he is powerless over alcohol. Most will tell you they only drank to be happy, and to radiate joy into other people's lives. The alcoholic continues to go down the road of self-destruction until he reaches a point where he says, enough! I can't take any more, drink is destroying me. With some help, and after a time, and with a certain amount of sobriety, he weighs up the true cost of drink. Realizing the stupidity and foolishness of his past ways, he begins to make amends and ventures into a new life without alcohol.

What I am trying to say is, every alcoholic reaches his personal gutter, and there are different levels for almost every individual. When they reach this, they say, enough!

No one can stop the alcoholic from drinking. The Blacklist is only a barricade that stops him from reaching the gutter. In the long run it accomplishes nothing.

I, as an alcoholic, know the real cost of drink, believe me. The Blacklist, in my own personal opinion, doesn't work for the alcoholic or for the community; it only postpones the inevitable.

It would be better if you pulled the barricade down and promoted other proven ways of dealing with alcoholism. For example, AA helps the problem drinker, AL-ANON helps families of the alcoholic. Both groups are promoted throughout the world and are an asset to their communities.

Jimmy Cairns
MPA



ARE we to have a repeat of the Ajax Bay Freezer failure in the proposed abattoir? I suggest it is of first importance to get the opinions of all farmers and as many older farm hands and ex-shepherds as to how many suitable sheep would be available and which farmers would be prepared to sell. And please take the advice of these local people who really do know what they are talking about. Just for a change let us act on what local people advise.

Kitty Bertrand
Stanley

....write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley

Only zero seabird mortality acceptable to Confish

I WAS surprised to see your front page report on Albatross mortality in last weeks edition of the Penguin News. Although I was expecting a report to appear in your newspaper I would have appreciated the opportunity of having my comments included in the article.

Consolidated Fisheries Ltd employs representatives who work on the longliners fishing for Mero in the FOCZ. These representative monitor the catch and fishing operations of the vessels and in addition collect biological data for us which we share with the scientific section of the Fisheries Department. I have instructed the company representatives to rigidly monitor the incidence if seabird mortalities associated with our longlining operations. The seabird mortalities associated with the vessel owners, officers and crew as well as my representatives and myself.

Your article states that the Fisheries Department have instructed Consolidated Fisheries Ltd to implement measures to reduce mortalities. I would like to point out that we were already moving to implement measures to reduce mortalities prior to any instruction from the Fisheries Department and as a consequence future Charter agreements will require the vessels to deploy an approved steamer line during line setting operations.

As soon as seabird mortalities were reported to me in November of last year I contacted people both in New Zealand and Australia who are leaders in the field of seabird conservation. Both sources faxed detailed information on the design and construction of streamer lines which have been trialled in their waters and found to be successful. In a remote area such as the Falkland Islands sourcing the materials for these streamer lines has been difficult to say the least. So we are now in contact with a supplier in Punta Arenas, Chile, who can supply all the required material ex Santiago. In the interim period we have trialled steamer lines using the available materials which have proved to be inadequate, but we have developed a "curtain" which surrounds the catching area on the vessel which has reduced to zero the number of bird being caught on the line as it enters the vessel. The vessel operators are very happy with this device and will continue to use it indefinitely. I am expecting the materials for our steamer lines to arrive on the Tamar early this month and my onshore representative Paul Brickle will construct the streamers as per Australasian specifications and this work will be carried out with the involvement of the staff in the scientific

section of the Falkland Islands Fisheries Department. Other preventative measures we have taken include setting the lines only in the hours of darkness and strategic dumping of fish waste.

Consolidated Fisheries Ltd is soon to expand its operations to include South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands so I am recruiting a new representative to cover this area and hope to gain the services of one of the incidental seabird mortality experts from Australia and New Zealand for at least part of the period that we fish in South Georgia. This person will be able to provide valuable information on preventative measures for our reference which I of course will also pass on to the Fisheries Department. I must stress however that I am in the early stages of negotiating the recruitment of this person but I am hopeful of a successful appointment.

Incidentally Seabird mortality has commercial as well as conservation implications. Work carried out in New Zealand suggests that for every bird caught in a longline hook, twenty baits will be lost; so that is 20 empty hooks falling to the sea floor therefore reducing the opportunity to catch the target species of fish so one could say that we are motivated for commercial and conservation reasons.

The vessel Mar Del Sur 1 ceased fishing operations for Consolidated Fisheries Ltd at midnight on 25th January 1995 and will not be returning in the foreseeable future to fish for us. There is more than one reason for this vessel leaving us but I would have to say that one of the main reasons was the continued incidence of seabird mortality being experienced by this vessel.

In conclusion I would like to say that so far as I am concerned the only acceptable incidence of seabird mortality is zero. We liaise closely with the scientific section of the Fisheries Department and faithfully record every bird mortality experienced. I hope my comments provide some useful information for the public which could be understandably concerned at the implications of incidental seabird mortality and I would welcome any calls from anyone who would like further information on our experiences in this field.

Martin Cox G.M., Confish

Misrepresented

We were saddened to see in last weeks 'Postscript' the tenets of Jews and Christians misrepresented.

Monsignor Anton Agreiter
& Canon Stephen Palmer

Chief Exec packs the programme & the toothbrush

FALKLANDS Chief Executive, Andrew Gurr, leaves the Falklands today, TriStar permitting, for his first working visit to the UK since his arrival in September. Setting an example which might usefully be followed by all our representatives going abroad, on our behalf, he took what might once have seemed the unusual step of outlining his programme:

Interviews

Together with Ian Cox, Mr Gurr will be interviewing candidates for the post of General Manager, FIGO.

A short list of four Public Relations firms having been selected in the Islands from among those that tendered recently, who will be making more detailed presentations to Mr Gurr, Lewis Clifton and Ian Cox at FIGO. It is hoped that one will emerge to be recommended to ExCo at their next meeting.

Mr Gurr will be interviewing candidates for the post of Oil Licensing Administrator.

Political meetings

Lunches are scheduled with groups of both Tory and Labour MPs, as are meetings with individual MPs from both parties. Of particular interest, in view of the UK political situation, is a scheduled meeting with the Labour Party, at which Mr Gurr will present a draft policy on the Falklands, drawn up by our councillors, which it is hoped that the Labour Party will be able to adopt.

The Falklands Government was instrumental in helping set up the Dependent Territories Association and Mr Gurr will be meeting with them during his visit.

Stanley Services

Mr Gurr will chair the AGM of Stanley Services Ltd in which FIG has a 45% share holding.

Of late concerns have been voiced by members of the private sector in Stanley about the exclusivity of Stanley Services operation with regard to fuel oils, which it has been felt gives them an unfair advantage in other areas. Mr Gurr said that in addressing

this situation, FIG had to keep in mind the possible advantages and disadvantages to the consumers as well as purely commercial considerations, but he hoped that a way forward could be found.

With the oil bunkering contract currently held by Lavinia coming up for renewal, Mr Gurr was concerned that all the arrangements for tendering for this important contract should be fair and beyond reproach.

British Atlantic Airways
Mr Gurr intended to meet with British Atlantic Airways, who as was well known, were interested in taking over the 'Air Bridge' operation between the UK and the Falklands, to bring himself up to date with developments, if any, in this area.

Banks

Mr Gurr intends to meet with some British banks to ascertain their level of interest, if any, in what goes on here. He said that it was known that there had been a measure of concern about the level of service provided by Standard Chartered and though it was hoped that their move into new premises would lead to improvements, it was the responsibility of Government to bring some pressure to bear on them.

Cable & Wireless

Mr Gurr would be meeting with Cable and Wireless to talk about a number of matters including the level of their charges for overseas calls and the condition of the Camp telephone service. The rate of £1.50 had been set at the beginning of the Government's agreement with C&W, but was now regarded as excessive by FIG and the personnel at MPA. If C&W were not prepared to make a reduction in the rate, FIG would be entitled under the Agreement to take the matter to independent arbitration.

HMG

Finally, Mr Gurr said he would be talking to the Department of Trade and Industry on oil matters and with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

Mr Gurr is expected to return to the Falklands on Tuesday February 14.

In the news, but at a cost?

UP TO THE MINUTE news and sport could be available in the Islands from SSVCA at a cost of around £40 per person, per annum. ExCo were told last week.

Air Marshal Crwys Williams, Managing Director of SSVCA told Executive Council that it would be possible to provide up to the minute news and sport from Britain to the Falklands, but wondered whether Councillors were prepared to share the costs, estimated

at around £150,000 a year with British Forces Falkland Islands in order to get this service.

Councillors asked for details and agreed that they would look at the matter. There were various calls on government funds for broadcasting, newspapers and so on, and they wanted to consider this offer against the broader framework of what other services might be available

Good results for 1994 Stanley GCSE students

GCSE RESULTS have been announced by the Community School with congratulations to the students who sat these examinations. The announcement continues:

"Every full time student in Year 11 achieved at least three passes, and 26 of the 30 strong year group passed five or more. Well over half the passes were at grades A to C, and altogether 13 students gained five passes or more at grade C or above.

Four students obtained starred passes at grade A. Starred 'A's are given to candidates who have shown outstanding ability in a particular subject, and were achieved by Dion Poncet (Biology), Katie Diggle (Biology), Rachel Fowler (Geography) and Alastair Summers (Agriculture). Six students - Monique Campbell, Katie Diggle, Rachel Fowler, Roslyn Harris, Dion Poncet and Anna Robson - achieved 8 or more passes at grades

1st Falkland Is Cub Scouts

LAST WEEK, the Falkland Islands Cub Scouts, accompanied by Akela and Tim and two helpers, Eddie and Ian, went on their summer camp to Onion Range. The weather was hot and sunny for the whole camp and the boys had no trouble in pitching their tents.

Whilst there the Cubs worked for their Camper and Explorers Badges, taking part in activities such as :- tracking and trailing, lighting a fire and cooking a meal, building bivouacs, making a rope bridge to cross the river etc. The boys also weeded the flower gardens which they had made on their first visit, back in the Spring, and then planted hundreds of flowering bulbs.

Spare time meant stripping off for a cooling swim in the river, climbing the surrounding hills and kite flying. The highlight being a 2 hour trip around the range in a B.V! Each evening, the boys sang songs around the camp fire, and finished the day with Wide Games by torch light.

At the closing flag ceremony, all the boys were presented with Camper and Explorer badges. The

trophy for the best Cub went to Ryan Haworth, and the Patrol Shield was won by the Penguin Patrol of Daniel and Chris Biggs, Matthew Burnett, Jonathan Bowles and Mark Gilbert.

Everyone had a fantastic time, and the Pack would especially like to thank the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers for making the Camp possible, especially Major Tim John, Capt. Andy Rowding and 2nd.Lieut. Paul McNabola, also, to the Chef from the Fusiliers for cooking such wonderful meals and to the Medic who stood by incase anything untoward should happen !! Thanks too, to Norman and Rich at Onion Range who were always ready to help out and also gave Tim somewhere to escape for a cup of tea and 5 minutes peace!

Special thanks must also go out to our chauffeurs - Bristows - for giving the Cubs such a wonderful treat, taking them to and from the Camp site in their helicopter and to Marilyn, Tony and Tim who delivered the Cubs safely back to their homes.

Jan Miller

Public Notice

THE Falkland Islands Government invites tenders from suitably qualified contractors for the fitting of replacement doors to the Domier hangar at Stanley Airport.

Tender Documents are available from the Secretariat, Stanley upon payment of a £50 deposit, refundable on receipt of a bona fide tender.

Tenders endorsed 'Hangar Doors' should be returned to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat to reach him on or before 3pm on Wednesday 15th February 1995.

The Falkland Islands Government reserves the right to reject any tender received. Only tenders submitted on official tender documents will be considered by the Tender Board.

Visit by Mr Walter Wallace to review the Constitution: 14 February - 15 March

Anyone wishing to make representation to Mr Wallace, who is here to put forward recommendations on any changes to the Constitution, please contact Jenny Luxton at the Councillors Office either in writing or make an appointment to see Mr Wallace.

A copy of Mr Wallace's programme is attached showing dates when Mr Wallace will be available to see anyone. It is hoped that this visit will generate interest and input from the public will be welcomed.

Lord Shackleton

ANNOUNCEMENT of an appeal for funds to serve as a memorial for the late Lord Shackleton, on January 25A, coincided with a memorial service in Westminster Abbey to celebrate his life.

The service was attended by two former prime ministers and nearly 130 fellow peers, according to an article by John Ezard in the Guardian for January 26.

The appeal, launched at the request of H.E. Governor Tatham, is to be established as a separate fund of the United Kingdom Falkland Islands Trust (UKFIT), for the purpose of increasing knowledge of the Falkland Islands, South Georgia, and the South Atlantic region in the United Kingdom, and "improving life in the Falkland Islands by promoting academic and other charitable exchanges."

A further tribute to the late Lord Shackleton and his father, Sir Ernest Shackleton, has been announced by Cambridge University, which plans "to reconstruct the world famous library at the Scott Polar Research Institute," naming it "The Shackleton Memorial Library."

The university has pledged to match external support for the project.

Programme for Mr Wallace: Constitutional Expert

- 14 February arrive - met by RA and taken to Upland Goose Hotel
- 15 February Meet HE 10am, Stanley Councillors 2pm
- 16 February AG/9am - AG's Office, CE/11am - Secretariat - pm Councillors Office Meetings with Public
- 17 February FS/9am - pm Councillors Office Meetings with Public
- 18 SAT
- 19 SUN
- CAMP SPORTS WEEK 20-24 INCLUSIVE
- 20 February
- 21 February Port Howard Sports - Stay in Lodge one night
- 22 February Fly to Stanley
- 23 February North Arm Sports - Lunch with Hon & Mrs. Goss (Day Trip)
- 24 February 9am Sir Renn Davies/Registrar General Andrew Jones - Gilbert House
- 25 SAT
- 26 SUN
- 27 February 1.15pm General Purposes Committee (Councillors Office)
- 28 February 9am Executive Council Meeting (Government House)
- 1 March 8am Standing Finance Committee (Secretariat)
- 2 March 7.30pm am Councillors Office* Public Meeting 6.30-
- 3 March am Councillors Office* Phone-in 7pm
- 4 SAT
- 5 SUN
- 6 March
- 7 March am Councillors Office*
- 8 March Visit North Camp ie Estancia/Brookfield/Port Louis - accompanied by RA
- 9 March Meet Stanley Councillors
- 10 March 9am Travel to Goose Green - Smoko - Accompanied by RA, pm - MPA visit, accompanied by RA, Mr. Ed Sorrell - Head Turners (Tel: 76587), Mrs. Ann Short - Kelvins (Tel: 73112), Mr. John Morris - Naafi (Tel: 76686)
- 11 SAT
- 12 SUN
- 13 March
- 14 March
- 15 Depart Final Round-up with Stanley Councillors RA to take to MPA for flight

* Public may arrange a meeting with Mr. Wallace in the Office, this will be advertised in advance of Mr. Wallace's arrival

All out for CAPED Family Fun Day

MARK February 18, CAPED Foundation Family Day, on your calendar.

On that day, the CAPED charity, founded by John Teggart to purchase a purpose-built vehicle to carry elderly and disabled people to and from the hospital, will be staging a series of fund raising activities - fun for everyone, and hopefully, lots of money in the CAPED fund. There will be:

1: A "Fun Toddle" around Stanley. Sponsorship forms, obtainable from John or Wendy Teggart, are available for those who would like to have their toddler sponsored, whether in or out of fancy dress. Five-year olds and under will receive a special certificate.

2: The Town Hall will be packed with stalls and games. The Red Cross have already donated two treasure hunts with prizes; hopefully other organizations will follow their lead and produce ideas for games or stalls which their members can man. Contributions are needed for the following stalls: Bottle, Toy, Book, Clothes, Oddments, Wheel of Fortune, plus a raffle. Contributions can be collected by, or brought to, the Teggarts, 9 Callaghan Road - phone 21820.

Funding for the new vehicle, according to John, will be half by public contributions; half by Government. The organisers hope the amounts contributed and acquired through various fund-raising efforts will exceed the 50% barrier, thus diminishing the amount required from Government.

Specifications for the vehicle include: a low chassis, with a wheelchair lift at the rear; interior space for two wheelchairs and comfortable seating for six people; convertible into a passenger bus with extra seating; transformable into an ambulance if necessary. It is being built to CAPED specifications by M.M.B. International. Estimated cost of the vehicle: £24,000.

CAPED's intention is to have a say in how the new vehicle is used. It will, John Teggart says, be a Community bus, not a KEMH vehicle, and CAPED intend that provision shall be made for organisations operating on behalf of elderly or infirm persons to book it on 48 hours notice.



£250 for Red Cross to CAPED. Over 90 years total of Red Cross membership is represented among the members pictured as Mrs. Tatham, Chairperson, presents the cheque to John Teggart for the CAPED fund.

SSVC make a welcome donation

£1000 FOR the CAPED fund has been donated by SSVC in appreciation of the Falkland Islands community's generous response to the recent Wireless For The Blind appeal, which raised more than £20,000.

The cheque was presented to Councillor Wendy Teggart for the CAPED fund by SSVC Chairman, General Sir Geoffrey Howlett during the lunch recess of the January ExCo meeting. Also present was SSVC Managing Director, Air Vice-Marshal David Crwys-Williams.



Hurd answers Commons question

IN ANSWER to a request in the House of Commons from Mr. Nicholas Winterton, MP, for a statement from the Foreign Secretary regarding relations with Argentina and the future sovereignty of the Falkland Islands, Mr. Hurd replied that "cooperation between Britain and Argentina has developed well since 1990. Our exports in the first ten months of 1994 rose 35%."

Referring to the visit to the Falkland Islands, just completed, of the Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, Mr. David Davis, MP, Mr. Hurd said he "reassured the Islanders that we will continue to uphold their right to self-determination and are not prepared to discuss sovereignty with Argentina. We have cooperated with Argentina over fisheries conservation since 1990 and we are now examining the prospects for cooperation over oil."

Thanks from CAPED

CAPED would like to thank:

- the organisers of the Rockfest concert, who raised £680, (and esp. the groups Free Beer, The Fighting Pigs, and Thunder Alley).
- the following contributors: the Red Cross, £250; Norman Black, £50; the Golf Club, £100; the Pistol Club, £45; the Charity Shield, £180; SSVC, £1000 (see story). Also, to Graham Bound, for a beautiful raffle prize, and to Mrs. Dot Keenleyside, for the tremendous dolls for the raffle on Family Day.
- William & Gaviller Ltd. who are serving as agents for the CAPED fund free of charge.
- to Darwin Shipping Ltd. for offering to ship the new vehicle Freight Free.
- to Tim Simpson, who drew the logo from John's sketchy idea (the horse is Napoleon's, says John - the rider is Charles 1)

Kevin Kilmartin

Barrister & Legal Practitioner

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Stanley scout trip to Chile counted a great success by all

Scouts set sights on the World Jamboree after 'un viaje bueno' to Chile

PICTURES BY ANGELA GOODWIN AND PETER DIGGLE



Angela Goodwin finds a welcome sign



Angie and Ros on D of E award trek



At the guest house in Punta Arenas

FOR THE THIRTEEN scouts who spent the first three weeks of January on an anniversary visit to Chile, the trip was a lot more than a scouting venture or even a sightseeing spree. Planned by Philip Middleton and the other scout leaders to celebrate ten years of scouting in the Falklands, the trip opened the eyes of its young participants to the pleasures of mixing with people from another culture and speaking another language. After this experience, fear of travel - a problem which has dogged so many Islanders in the past - is not likely to bother these youngsters.

The first four days in Punta Arenas set the tone for the trip. The Falklands contingent, comprising eight boys and five girls, wandered around the city in small groups, buying souvenirs, going to restaurants, changing money, and doing all the things that travellers do when visiting a place new to them.

"The people were very friendly," said Angie Goodwin, age sixteen. "We had our scout uniforms on, and the people would recognize them and ask where we were from. But no one hassled us."

"All of us could speak some Spanish," said Peter Diggle. "We found it useful."

"It's a very easy city," said Phil Middleton, "and very safe. The youngsters kept in groups - we had no problems." Always they were told where and when to meet up with their leaders, and they always complied.

Accommodation in Punta Arenas was in a bed-and-breakfast guest house, found for them by the scouts of Punta Arenas, where they were free to come and go all day.

With four wonderful days of vis-

its to museums, cinemas, an historic cemetery, ice creams, and tourist purchases behind them, the scouts (accompanied by two scout leaders and two senior scouts from the Punta Arenas troop) headed in three minibuses (rented by the local telephone company at just over half the normal rate) for the Torres del Paine national park, a magnificent camping area some 400 kilometres (280 miles) to the west, and approximately one-fifth the total area of the Falklands. Replete with loos and showers, dining tables and fireplaces, the area was perfect for setting up the base camp needed for six days of exploration and visiting such scenic splendours as two dramatic waterfalls, the third largest glacier in the world, and a mountain from which avalanches continually descended, emitting thunderous roars comparable to that of a Tornado fighter passing overhead, according to Philip Middleton. Also on their schedule was a visit to Fuerte Bulnes, a reconstructed 18th century fort which had such curiosities as sod huts, and a cave which had been the retreat of a milodon (a giant ground sloth).

However, encounters with wild-

life seemed to top the hit parade for the children.

"We saw a skunk," said Peter Diggle. "It went right up to Helen Coombe and sniffed her feet. No one interfered with it, and it went away," doubtless to the great relief of those who knew the skunk potential for smelling things up.

For Angie Goodwin, a similar thrill came from an encounter with a rhea - a bird just a bit smaller than an ostrich - which tolerated their approach within a yard or two.

Camping involved log chopping - a skill new to the children - who had forty logs to work on for the six days. Cooking brought out the talents of some, such as 11 yr old Ben Dempster, who turned out to be a dab hand with drop scones.

A special bonus for Roslyn Harris and Angie Goodwin was the opportunity to further their progress toward the Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award with a 15km hike, with 40lb backpack, over three days, accompanied by two Chilean scouts (park regulations require backpackers to travel in groups of three or more). Requiring the candidates to communicate with strangers in a foreign language, the Silver Award has not previously been achieved by anyone in the Falklands.

Following Torres del Paine, and another few days in Punta Arenas (including a visit to the "Zona Franca", or duty-free zone, where imported goods can be bought minus the normal country-wide 18% sales tax), the scouts camped in a less posh Chilean Air Force camping area - "back to basics", as Phil Middleton termed it.

Here they found themselves just across a shallow, easily fordable river, from a large Chilean scout camp, which provided a delightful climax for the trip.

"When we went to the Chilean scouts we took a load of Falkland Islands scout

badges which we handed out to them," said Angie Goodwin. "They didn't have anything like that, so they took the badges off their uniforms to give to us - which was really nice," she added. Sharing a church service, and evening sing-songs in both Spanish and English, helped strengthen the feelings of friendship and unity which developed between the two groups.

Having commenced with \$10,000, and traversed all the hazards of sudden, increased charges, unexpected costs, and unfamiliar business practices, Phil Middleton found himself at return flight time with \$150 (reserved for possible departure tax but fortunately not needed) and a 1000 peso note - value £1.66. He despairs of ever again matching such precision.

When could it happen next?

Phil Middleton is looking forward to 1999, when a world scout jamboree is scheduled for Chile.

For Falkland Islands youngsters, it can hardly come soon enough.

Story as told to John Leonard, by Peter Diggle and Angie Goodwin.



TOP: Peter Diggle relaxes on the grass after a hard days scouting

ABOVE: Angela Goodwin, Roslyn Harris and Helen Coombe

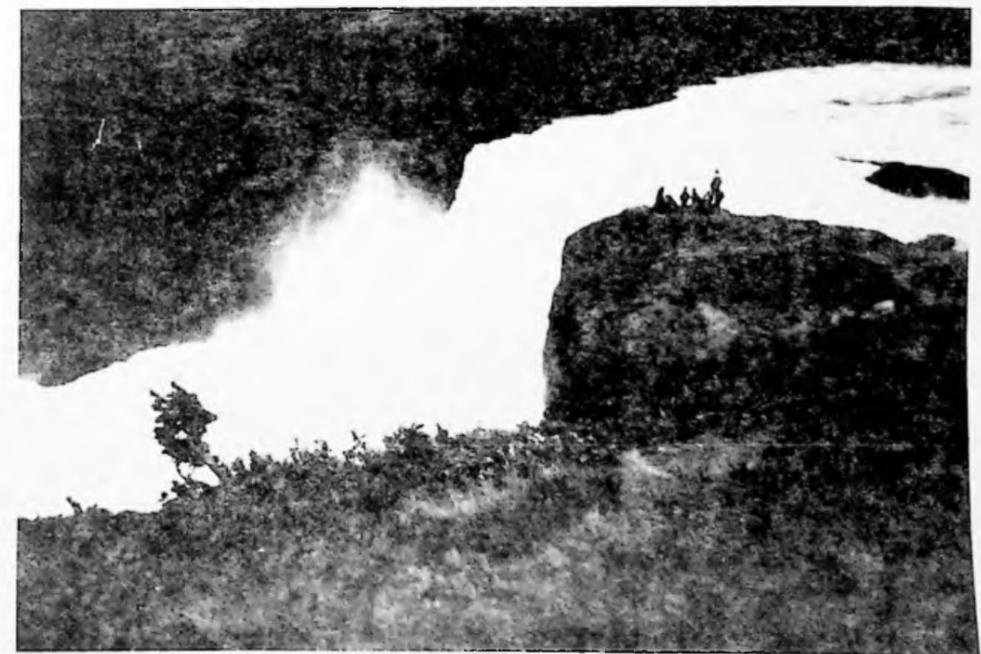
BELOW: The 'Salto Grande' waterfall

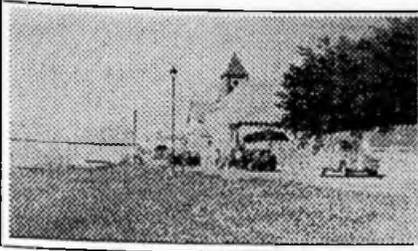


Glacier seen from the Torres del Paine park.



The whole group with their Chilean friends





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Thursday, 2nd

Saturday 4th,

Wednesday 8th,

Saturday, 11th, Morning,
Afternoon,

Tuesday 14th

Wednesday 15th - Thur 16th

Friday 17th

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Sunday 19th

Tuesday 21st

Monday, Feb 20th - Friday 24th

Saturday 25th,

Monday 27th

Start of Stanley school terms

Disco Town Hall

CSE Show, Town Hall,

Infant & Junior School Sports, FICS

Charity walk from MPA for School Hostel

Disco, Town Hall

Clothes Show team arrive in Falklands

Disco, Town Hall

Clothes Show at Fox Bay

Disco, Town Hall

C.A.P.E.D. Family Day, Town Hall

Clothes Show to Pebble Island

Clothes Show, fashion show in Town Hall

DHSA sports meeting North Arm, West Camp Sports, Port Howard

Disco, Town Hall

Evening Classes commence FICS

Looking back on January.....

Births in the KEMH to:

3rd Isabel and Stephen, a daughter, Mari-Lucilla Clarke

6th Carol and Gonzalo, a son, Kyle John Hobman

7th Marie and Leon, a daughter, Paige Mitchell

8th Amanda Jane, a daughter, Nina-Kay Rose Leo

10th Anya and Elvio, a son, Reuben Patrick Cofre

20th Pemilla and PED, a daughter Remelea, Anastasia

Crossword

Across

1. What a crab keeps its fuel in? (7)

5. What the poor were reputed to keep their fuel in (4)

7. Tree reduced to fine powder (3)

8. Officers, lacking a couple of letters for real approvability (8)

9. Goosey, goosey, oil field (5)

10. Christmas for the mixed up French ranger (4)

13. Not to be possessed and consumed, even if sponge (4)

14. Wind in the Scottish dance (4)

17. Hurt, but in a way that's almost cute (3)

18. Turn back the old jazz to hit bull's eye (4)

19. Hold on to these, in connection with a short insurance (5)

21. If you can't find one in the camp, ask Ramsey, Dave or Liz even (8)

22. A purpose for Sue (3)

23. Well-born perhaps, but not of heaven (4)

24. Wobbly way she walks, playing golf (7)

Down:

1. Good place to keep your sword, if you don't pick it? (8)

2. A Scotsman, decapitated and ignored (8)

3. Characteristics of confused narrows, like Gibraltar, Magellan etc. (6)

4. Name of earliest British settlement here (6)

5. Good treatment for chops in summer (8)

6. Tesselating ceramic (4)

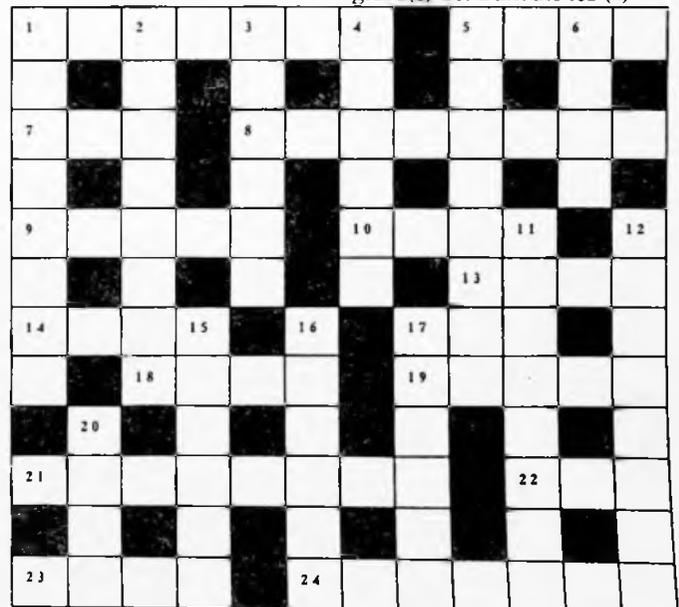
11. Room to manoeuvre on the map (8)

12. Get the female donkey back for second thought (8)

15. How the arctic cat drank (6)

16. Confirm you were at the cricket match (6)

17. Rocking from here to the grave (6) 20. Burn the tea (4)



Alan Stones: Giving us an artist's view of Falklands life and folk

THANKS to Hollywood, mention an artist in his studio and the chances are that most of us will imagine some wild-eyed and bearded intellectual, clad in open-toed sandals and a paint-stained jumper, who shares a dingy attic with any number of undressed and probably unwashed ladies of doubtful virtue.

Disappointing as it may be to some, the reality is somewhat different, should one take up his invitation to visit artist Alan Stones, at work in his temporary home and studio in the old Gardener's Cottage at Government House.

Quietly spoken and somewhat shy, with more than a trace of his native Manchester in his voice, Alan is bearded, but the beard, like the hair, is closely cropped and there is more of the recluse than the roisterer about him.

Alan's usual studio, which he opens to the public on Wednesday afternoons, is in a tiny village in Cumbria - he says it has about the same population as Fox Bay Village, but lacks the community spirit - and it was his work in response to his surroundings there, among hills, wild weather, sheep and sheep farmers, which attracted the attention of the Governor, when he and Mrs Tatham were on holiday in the latter's home town of Ambleside in the Lake District.

Taking tea one day, in an establishment called Sheila's Cottage, the owners of which had decorated the walls with Alan's lithographs of rural life, Mr Tatham was so impressed by his treatment of sheep and the working lives of farmers on the Cumbrian fells, that he conceived the notion of inviting the artist to the Falklands.

Some enquiries, phone calls and a letter later, Alan was ready to accept. The letter from HE offered a small measure of funding from FIG sources as well as from Kelvin Catering and Turners, in each case largely in terms



Alan Stones with some of the work that caught the Governor's eye of money put up against pictures to be done. The Education Department were offering accommodation in Stanley and Falklands Landholdings Ltd were offering likewise in Camp.

What clinched the deal, however, for Alan, who in accepting the Governor's offer, had to put on the back-boiler a commission worth £12,000, was the open-ended nature of the invitation. He was free to come here and respond in whatever way he might to the experience, without being tied to specific subjects or commissions. As the Governor put it, "What we really need is a view of ourselves, as seen by an outside artist".

By his own admission, Alan, who regards himself not as a portrait painter, but as a painter of people in their environment, prefers to work on familiar things and one attractive aspect of a Falklands visit was the possibility that he would recognise areas where his experience of life in rural Cumbria would overlap with what he found here. As will become apparent to anyone who pays a visit to Gardener's Cottage in the next few weeks, Alan is, as he puts it, "very comfortable with sheep", which figure largely in the growing number of drawings and paint-

Open Studio
While he is in Stanley, Alan will be at home in Gardener's Cottage every Sunday and welcomes visitors. There is no compulsion to buy, but work is on sale, from £40 to £1000. Alan is available on telephone: 22088

Falklands Cookery by Jenny Luxton

This is the time of year that all kelpers try their hand at catching the Upland Goose Gosling, which is getting its feathers. There are lots of tried and trusted ways, but a more sporting approach involves trying to outrun them.

UPLAND GOSLING LEGS
First catch your gosling. Prepare for cooking, skin, cut the legs off and wash. Dry legs and cut into two portions

Dip in egg and bread crumbs, seasoned with salt, pepper, herbs and garlic salt. Either fry or bake in the oven until cooked. (not too long or they will dry out)

Serve with new potatoes, salad or a variety of fresh seasonal vegetables.

PAVLOVA
3 egg whites
7 oz castor sugar
1 teasp white vinegar
1 teasp vanilla or almond essence
1 teasp Corn flour

Beat egg whites until stiff, add vinegar, essence and corn flour, gradually add sugar. Put onto a prepared piece of grease proof paper in a pan, cook for 1 hour at 130 - 140C, leave to cool lightly and peel off paper.

Whip cream until thick, spread over Pavlova - on top of that add all the fresh soft fruits that are available at this time of year: raspberries, strawberries, red, black and white currants etc. When the wild fruit are ready at the end of February/March, a mixture of wild strawberries and teaberries is wonderful

Part 2 of our serialisation of one of the Falklands great adventure stories

"How I survived" by George Hansen retold by John Leonard

Fifteen year old George Hansen, en route from Stanley to a new job on the West Falklands, finds himself with three other companions in a dismayed cutter, the *Progres*, five days out from Stanley and drifting helplessly at the mercy of wind and tide. A sail was spotted, but in the heavy seas, rescue was impossible and the little craft was once more alone...

ARCHIE managed to maintain an air of confidence that we would be saved, but John was morose and quiet. Jim was a bit more buoyant; he kept a pipe in his mouth to steady his nerves. It was odd that he and John were pals; the only thing they appeared to have in common was that they were both bachelors.

The sea became quieter after the fifth day, but we continued to drift northwards, away from the Falklands. Our one real hope was that we might maintain the same course, and strike the coast of Patagonia.

The mutton, bread and potatoes were gone

Plainty we were in for a long siege. Archie put us on rations at the end of the first week, but by that time the mutton, bread and potatoes were gone, and most of the water as well. There had been a leak through the broken bung of one of the water barrels, and by the time we discovered it a great deal had been wasted. To prevent any further waste, and to ensure that everyone received a fair share, Archie sealed up the bung, and doled water out to us through a hole he cut in the top.

Tension had gripped all of us; it was difficult to sleep. Repeatedly we would ask the man on watch if he had seen anything, knowing full well that if he had he would have shouted immediately. I was taking my turn on watch right with the others. The first thing was always a look around the horizon, hoping against hope, and then the let-down - followed by hours of seeing nothing.

One week stretched into two; two into three. It became a bitter struggle to endure while our resources rapidly dwindled to nothing. In the third week we used the last of our flour for a few wretched pancakes, leaving only hardtack, which we could hardly eat because our mouths were so dry and tender, and we were so terribly thirsty. The daily ration of water was cut to half a pint; soon afterwards it was down to a quarter.

John and Jim took it the worst. They were forever complaining; about thirst and hunger, and general misery. Archie and I were not quite as hard hit, but we had our share of suffering. Oddly enough, it was the coffee we missed most.

As yet we had managed to keep the fire going, but the supply of fuel wasn't endless. One day I asked Archie what would happen when it ran out.

There was nothing to worry about, he assured me; while we had furniture, cabinets and other wooden items on board, we could keep feeding the fire for quite a long time.

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Occasionally we would have a calm day, and on one of those Archie managed to shoot seven gulls. All but one fell into the water, but we launched the dinghy, and Archie rowed out and picked up the others. We boiled one in sea water. Though I had never eaten sea gull before, and it was unpleasantly salty and gamey, we all found it wonderful. The remaining six, eaten when we were still hungrier, were enjoyed even more.

One day Archie suddenly called us all together, even the man on watch. His manner was grim. Someone had secretly dipped into a bottle and a half of rum he had been saving for emergencies, he told us; barely half a bottle was left. That precious supply, if things got bad enough, might mean the difference between life and death for one of us.

Now asly thief had reduced it by two-thirds.

I couldn't look at anyone; I just stared at the ground - but I sensed Jim turning to John, and John staring sullenly at Archie. No one said anything.

Archie didn't single out anyone. He announced coldly that he was going to hang the remainder in the cabin on a string beside the barometer; if he caught anyone touching it without

permission, he would go over the side then and there.

It wasn't touched again.

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By now what remained of our water was undrinkable. Our only hope, Archie told us, was to distil sea water. We connected the spouts of two kettles with a thin tube made of tin, around which we sewed canvas to make it as airtight as possible. We filled one kettle to its eight pint capacity, sealed the lid as tightly as possible, and began to boil it.

It was hard to keep our eyes away from the kettles during that first experiment in purifying sea water. Hour after hour it boiled, eating up our precious fuel supply. Five hours after we started, the sea water had boiled away, and we stared at what we had achieved: a cupful of drinking water.

That cupful was our lifeline, however, and we had no choice but to repeat the process daily thereafter. Chairs, bedsteads - anything movable made of wood - was burned to provide us with our precious few sips of water. In very rough weather, undistilled water might slosh over into the distilled, and we would have to start all over again, with more fuel having been wasted.

Occasionally Jim and John would mention drinking sea water. Knowing the danger, Archie constantly urged them to bear their thirst rather than give in and perhaps kill themselves. Nevertheless, at times he could tell that the

temptation was becoming irresistible, but somehow he managed to dissuade them. We all suffered, of course; the thirst was terrible. Occasionally we discussed unpleasant or revolting details of shipwrecks we had read or heard about, and once Archie mentioned reading about a crew who had drunk their own urine. So great was our thirst that we actually tried it, but it was unbearable.

Nothing could console him. He tried eating hardtack, but that made him so thirsty that he started shaking. Once again, he would long to drink sea water; once again Archie and I would dissuade him, whereupon he would curse us, and then sit mumbling to himself. Soon he was whining as pitifully as John.

Over a month had passed since we left Stanley, and I, too, felt close to the breaking point. Day after day, the deadly monotony, the mounting strain of thirst, hunger and fear, and the sight of two men rapidly going to pieces made my own hopes of survival grow very, very dim.

ably salty and poisonous. We never tried it again.

Another suggestion was sucking a button, and that, for some unexplained reason, gave us some relief for a time. Why a button should slake our thirst I still don't know, but for a time it gave us some relief. Later, however, that, too, failed.

Most of the work to be done fell to Archie and me; the older men had become too weak. The worst job was chopping firewood; it took hours, and one's mouth came to feel almost on fire with thirst.

One day I was chopping while the water was being distilled. As I worked, my mind could focus on nothing but the precious moment when those drops would be divided among us. Somehow I managed to keep going even when I felt I could not bear it any longer.

I came to dread the sound of his voice

Finally the boiling was over, and the moment for sharing it out had arrived. As we gathered around Archie, John McLaughlin said to me, "Let me have your drink today, son - I need a long drink."

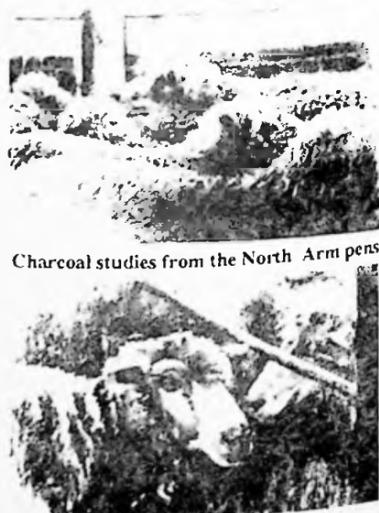
I couldn't let him have it - not that day. I didn't say anything; just drank my own share. But every day after that he continued to beg for my portion. It was always the same - "Just for once!" - until I came to dread the sound of his voice. As it was, Archie gave Jim and John the largest share of water because they seemed so much worse off without it. I couldn't bring myself to forego my share.

Jim's spirits held up better - until he had to give up his pipe. Although it actually made him thirstier, it comforted him, and he clung to it as long as he could. Eventually, between the abrasive quality of the tobacco and the shortage of matches, he had to accept the inevitable.

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Shearing in the Falklands: an oil painting takes shape



Charcoal studies from the North Arm pens

(Continuing from previous page, the first instalment of our true-life adventure serial "How I Survived" by George Hansen, and retold by John Leonard)

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Fits of depression came over me in waves, alleviated only by Archie's unquenchable hope.

Somehow he never seemed to get down like the rest of us; he was always firm, assured - our skipper in every sense of the word. If he had doubts about our survival, he never shared them with us; and though at times his hopes seemed ridiculous, they were something to cling to when mine had vanished completely.

One morning he said he thought he could see a difference in the colour of the sea; it looked more greyish, which probably meant that we were getting into shallower water. Jim and John joined us on deck, and both agreed that the colour seemed to have changed.

We took new heart from that, for it meant that we might now be approaching the coast of South America. Even John and Jim began to look happy.

How brief was that joy!

How brief was that joy! Before noon a thunderstorm, even more severe than the storm which crippled us, struck us full blast.

The sea boiled and tossed us about like a matchstick. Giant waves crashed on the deck, sweeping everything loose overboard. Our longboat went before we could put extra lashings on her, though it is doubtful if we could have saved her anyway. Even our lone remaining staysail was ripped away. The pounding and pitching were so frightful that we could only cower miserably in the cabin.

Fortunately we had resisted a temptation to chop up the hatches for firewood; if they had gone, the sea would surely have swamped us in a matter of minutes.

Our hope had been replaced by the deepest gloom yet

The next morning, after the storm had died, we found ourselves out in the blue water again, with our distilling apparatus smashed, the last of our sails gone, and our firewood soaked. Our hope had been replaced by the deepest gloom yet.

It was one blow too many....

It was one blow too many for John and Jim; they appeared to give up completely. So weak that

they could barely totter up on deck once a day, they sat for the most part in the cabin, mumbling to themselves, and beginning to get out of their heads.

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Archie, too, surveying the damage, looked the grimmest I had ever seen him. The loss of the longboat was not a total disaster while we still had the dinghy, but when the staysail had gone, our last chance of using the wind had gone with it. In addition, the smashing of our kettle distillery and the soaking of our firewood meant that now, when we most needed water, we would have none at all.

I looked at Archie. Had the mountain of hope finally crumbled?

He met my eyes. Slowly a taut smile appeared, and he told me I'd better get to work and help him repair our distilling equipment.

I was relieved to see we hadn't struck bottom yet!

We used a tube from the telescope to connect the kettles, and managed to dry out enough wood to get the fire going again. The new rig was nothing like as effi-

cient as the old one had been, however, and with the added problem of wet wood, we got barely half as much water as before.

The next day Archie shot a gull, which, miraculously, fell on deck (we could not possibly have retrieved it from the heaving sea). It was the first real food we had had in weeks, and though we knew by experience that it would increase our thirst, we fell to and ate it greedily. Even John and Jim ate large portions.

John and Jim's madness rapidly grew worse

It tasted good, but how we suffered! My thirst was terrible; sucking a button was no help at all. John and Jim's madness rapidly grew worse. For long periods of time John would push some of the little stones we used for ballast from one side of the cabin to the other. Jim would sit for hours just holding a pair of pin-cers in his hand. They could barely crawl around the cabin. There was nothing we could do for them. Archie gave them practically the last of our precious stock of rum, but it was of no use to them.

(To be continued)

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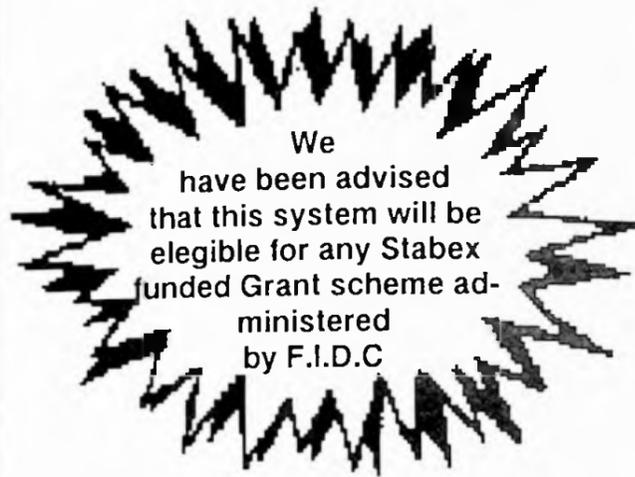
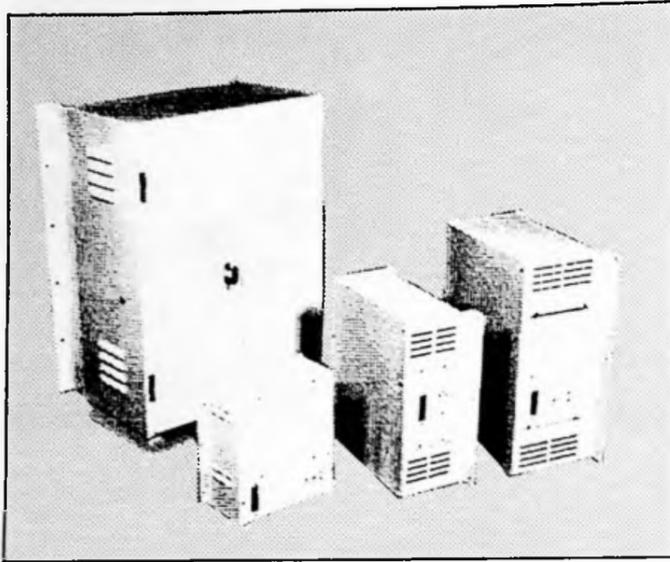
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Local institutions benefit from Antarctic art

WHEN artist, tour organizer Peter Harrison and his wife, Shirley Metz, disembarked from the World Discoverer on February 1 and presented a cheque for \$1,500 to Carol Miller for Falklands Conservation, it was not the total surprise it might have been.

The surprise had been far greater in mid-December when Carol and colleague Tim Stenning, with only an hour's notice, were invited to the lounge of the Upland Goose to meet the couple, then freshly arrived aboard the Russian icebreaker, Kapitan Dranitsen, to accept a cheque for \$2,875.

The visitors had already given \$3,800 to the Grytviken Whaling Museum when they stopped at South Georgia en route to Stanley. It is understood that a further contribution to the museum was made on the later occasion as well.

Mr. Harrison, a partner in a firm which operates both Antarctic and Arctic tours aboard the icebreaker, explained that he raises the money by raffling paintings of birds which he does during the tour (he does eight or nine per trip.) The sum for the first contribution to the South Georgia museum was raised on an earlier voy-

age, which, starting in the Falklands, extended to the Weddell Sea and ended in Ushuaia. On the subsequent trip, from Ushuaia to the South Shetland Islands, the Princess Margaret Coast, Cape Norvegih, South Georgia and Stanley, he had raised the sum first contributed to Falklands Conservation.

"As visitors to these places," he said, "we earnestly believe in trying to give something back to the areas we visit."

Acknowledging that a tour by icebreaker is a bit unconventional, he explained that the objective is to reach the half-dozen or so Emperor penguin rookeries located along the Weddell Sea, barred to most vessels by some 900 miles of ice.

A trial tour had been made during the previous season, and two more had been done up to their arrival in Stanley last December, he explained, with one more tour to go.

Their passengers, from all over the world and numbering 100 per tour, pay \$12,000 to \$18,950 for the three-week cruise.

Even their 23,000 horsepower icebreaker found the going too



Carol Miller receives a donation from Peter Harrison on behalf of Falklands Conservation. Also present are Shirley Metz and Tim Stenning.

tough at one point, said Mr. Harrison. Having managed only 11 miles in 24 hours, they had to wait another day, until a change in the wind made it possible for them to continue on.

A veteran of twenty years travel to the Antarctic as a tour guide (his arrival in Stanley in December had completed his 96th trip), Mr. Harrison pointed out that his wife's enthusiasm for the Antarctic rivals his own. In the 1988-89 season, he said, she was one of a party of nine who 800 miles on skis, over a period of two months, from

the edge of the sea ice to the South Pole (at 9300 ft altitude) - the first lady to make such a journey; undertaken to stimulate interest in the Antarctic.

At the end, in sheer exuberance, she had stripped to her underwear, he said - and the pictures went worldwide. Presumably, interest in the Antarctic increased a thousandfold!

Mr. Harrison plans to continue raffling paintings on subsequent trips, and to make regular contributions to Falklands Conservation.

Search for Concordia

A RECENT diving expedition was undertaken by the Wreck Survey Group under the leadership of Dave Eynon to try and re-locate the Wreck of the *Concordia* which was wrecked in the bay of that name on the North Coast of the East Falklands.

The *Concordia* was a German 3 masted schooner of 475 Tons which struck the rock now named after her on 17th August 1891. Her length was 130 ft with a beam of 27 feet and it was built in 1882 and on this voyage was carrying

general cargo and wines and spirits. Considerable salvage work was carried out after the ship was wrecked before she started to break up.

Those divers taking part in this diving expedition were David Eynon, Zac Stephenson, Paul Ellis, Andrew Miller and Simon Goss.

After finding a suitable camp site, the first afternoon was spent in beachcombing to try to determine the extent of the wreckage found above the tide line, so that they could determine the area in

which they believed the *Concordia* was wrecked.

The next day two dives were made from the beach and during the second dive they located the remains of the wreck. Unfortunately it had been covered with hard compacted sand and only some ribs, the lower section of one of the masts and the anchor stock could be seen. The group firmly believe that the wreck is well broken up and that only the keel, ribs and some lower planking remain buried under the sand.

The next morning a final drive took place and although the wind had picked up and the sea conditions were starting to get rough a complete video of the whole wreck site and what could be seen was made. This video footage will be incorporated in this next video footage will be incorporated in the next video by Falkland Images entitled Shipwrecks of the Falklands.

Both the receiver of the wreck and the Museum Curator (John Smith) have been informed of the group's findings.

Meanwhile the Wreck Survey Group will be continuing over the next few years under the co-ordination of Dave Eynon to search for and locate other wreck sites.

The group would like to thank Mr Rob Pitaluga of Salvador Farm for allowing us to camp at Concordia Bay.

Court report

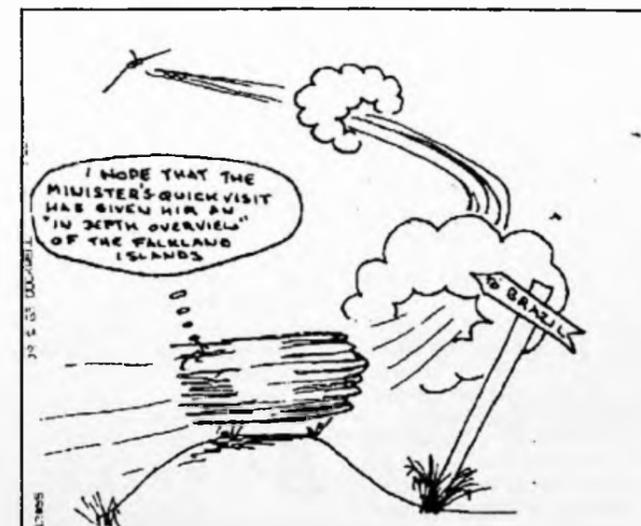
THE DAY (January 27) after having his sentence, for two charges of inflicting bodily harm (to which he had pleaded guilty), deferred until March 1 to permit a social report to be completed, Mr. Paul Ford again appeared in court. This time he pleaded guilty to entering the home of Mrs. Pamela Stewart on the previous night and causing a disturbance, which she ended only by leaving the house and calling the police.

So violent was the accused, the Prosecutor told the court, that he had had to be not only arrested but handcuffed, and later, after having been taken into custody in the Police Station, damaged a bed in his cell.

Mr. Alan Barker, of Ledingham Chalmers, representing Mr. Ford, pointed out that his offences all appeared to be alcohol-related, and suggested that the court might consider a Prohibition Order against Mr. Ford appropriate in this case.

After hearing evidence from two Police Constables, Gerard Jaffray and Andrew Davies, as to Mr. Ford's evident drunkenness when disorderly in the past, the Senior Magistrate put him on the Black List for six months. Sentencing, as in the previous cases against Mr. Ford, was deferred until March 1, by which time the social report, previously requested, should have been received.

Baney's View



UK NEWSLETTER *By Sir Rex Hunt*

Lord Shackleton: Thousands braved the pouring rain to pay tribute to a great man

AFTER the mildest November on record, we have now had the wettest January for fifty years. I understand from Pat Luxton, whom I visited at the Churchill Hospital in Oxford (and who, incidentally, was in great heart) that you have been enduring a drought, at least in the West.

As usual, we here in the South-East have escaped the worst of the weather. It may be inconvenient to have our golf courses closed, but we have not had people frozen to death, as in the North, or drowned in floods, as on the Continent. And how fortunate we are compared to the poor people of Kobe! It takes a natural disaster like an earthquake to make the British realise how lucky we are to be living in a temperate climate, without extremes.

The late Lord Shackleton once described an island as 'a piece of land entirely surrounded by advice', and you have certainly had more than your fair share of outside advisors. I think most would

agree, however, that Lord Shackleton's wisdom and common sense have been of great help to the Falkland Islands. It must have been gratifying to him to see so many of his recommendations implemented in his lifetime.

I was musing over this during Earl Jellicoe's address at Lord Shackleton's memorial service in Westminster Abbey last week, at which over a thousand friends, relatives and acquaintances braved the pouring rain to pay tribute to a great man.

To perpetuate his memory and, in particular, his contribution to the quality of life in the Falkland Islands, HE the Governor and the Hon. Mrs Richard Bergel (better known as Zaz - Lord Shackleton's daughter) have proposed to establish a Shackleton Scholarship Fund of which I have agreed to be chairman. You may have read about this elsewhere, but I should perhaps explain the background.

The UK Falkland Islands Trust was formed in 1981 as a charitable

trust with objectives deliberately drafted to cover a wide variety of social services, including education, agriculture and health. The Falkland Islands Appeal was launched under its auspices in 1982 to help Islanders who had suffered loss or damage or injury during the war. The Shackleton Scholarship Fund will also operate under the general terms of the UK Falkland Islands Trust, but will have its own advisory committee and separate bank account. The aim is to raise £250,000 capital, to be invested so as to provide sufficient funds to award a few scholarships each year to pay visits to the south Atlantic, primarily by research post-graduates but including a wider range of potential leaders, artists, entertainers, sportsmen and women, business people - in short, anyone whose visit would increase the knowledge of the Falkland Islands in Britain and improve the quality of life on the Islands.

The fund would also need to provide for visits by Islanders to

Britain, but here the need is much less given the generous terms available from the Department of Education and the FIDC.

Once the fund is up and running, selection of candidates will be conducted in close consultation with the Falkland Islands Government. A panel of selectors will be formed to include representatives from FIG, British Antarctic Survey and the Scott Polar Research Institute, with a distinguished academic as chairman.

I have no idea whether we will reach our target of £250,000 but, if Lord Shackleton's varied interests and involvements are anything to go by, there should be plenty of people out there who would like to contribute to this constructive way of perpetuating his memory.

Talking of fund-raising, I should like to finish my letter by thanking Sharon Halford and all who took part in the Port Louis - Stanley drive and ride for their most generous donation to the Falkland Islands Association.

DIARY OF A FARMER'S WIFE

Times when a chap just doesn't feel wanted

THERE are times when a chap just doesn't feel wanted. The other day was definitely one of 'em.....

That morning the Islander and dropped off a photographer lady. I'd known she was coming 'cause I'd heard the Missus discussing it. I'd watched with interest as the Missus tore round the house trying to do a years housework in ten minutes flat. (Beats me why she gets into such a flapdoodle when visitors are coming. The place never looks any better after she's had a blitz. All she does is move junk from one heap to another, and stir up the dust so that a chap starts sneezing.)

Naturally, I'd assumed that this photographer lady was coming to take pictures of Yours Truly, me being a well-known sort of fellow - who said big-headed?? - cut it out, mate - so naturally I sauntered over to the airstrip just as the plane was landing. I'd heard the Missus saying that there'd only be

a few minutes for piccies, while the pilot visited another airstrip not far away, so I thought I'd be helpful and save everyone some time.) But did the photo lady acknowledge my thoughtfulness, admire my plush coat, and then ask me to pose for her? Did she hell.....

Sailed straight past me in the Tank, she did, with the Missus in the driver's seat. By the time I'd legged it back home all the film had been used up. And to add insult to injury I discovered she'd used it up on a DOG!!!! (Well the Missus, was in the frame too, apparently - but that hairy brute Sam had a grin a mile wide on his stupid chops, and couldn't wait to tell me how he'd kept his best profile to the camera' etc. etc.) What a poser. As if I wanted to hear about it. As if I would have wanted to be in any stupid old picture myself. As if - actually, I was too choked up to come up with any comment rude enough to make any impres-

sion on Wonderdog, so I just turned my back on him sort of casually, and had a good wash and brush up. A useful feline manoeuvre, that. Gives the impression that frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn.

I did hear later that Sam had actually disgraced himself during the photo session, which cheered me up no end. Apparently the photo lady had said Sam's name so as to get him looking her way - and the silly mutt dashed straight at the poor woman, practically flattening both her and her camera. Just goes to prove my point about film being wasted on a dog. A cat would never do anything so undignified.....

I can't believe all this hot weather we're getting. Makes a nice change from all that grotty stuff that's been thrown at us lately. The Boss was looking at a funny little gizmo out in the garden yesterday, and he told the Missus it was 27 degrees in the shade and nearly 28 in the sun. I could quite believe it, to. My fur was fairly melting, and the grass was brown and crackly to walk on. Strewth! Only the other week we had hailstones the size of golf balls....

This morning I helped the Missus feed the hens, but we got side tracked on the way home and sat watching a thumping great

sealion fishing just offshore. He was making a real rumpus, smashing something to pieces in the water before swallowing it. I pity the poor fish (or anything else) that fall foul of one of those ugly brutes. Makes my fur stand up on end just thinking about it. Remind me not to go swimming.

Later: Trust me to open my big mouth and put my great paw in it. I go and mention hot weather - and swimming - and suddenly the skies open. Sheesh... The ground's pretty hard after all the dry weather, so the rain water is lying around in great dirty puddles. Up to my undercarriage in places, it is. A chap needs a snorkel just to go outside and answer the call of nature. It's a good job the boss has made such nice wooden boxes for us cats, so we can snooze in the porch without draughts whistling round our nether regions or rain dripping through the roof on to us. He's a funny-tempered old beggar, the Boss, but I must say he's got his good points at times. Perhaps he'd make an indoor loo for us, if we asked nicely?

Cheers, chaps,
love,

Baldrick

AS I SEE IT *by Gail Steen*

This is enough-we just want to live our lives in the peace of our islands

I THINK it has finally happened. I've noticed them, my brain cells that is. There they go, relentlessly, day by day, dying off by the thousand. I forget how many we are meant to start off with, but I reckon mine have now been depleted to an alarming level. Some of you may recognise similar symptoms. Ever left a message for someone to ring you back and when they do you've forgotten what you rang them for?

Or, you are busily attacking weeds in the conservation area of the garden when suddenly your trowel/fork mysteriously disappears - an hour later, after you've redesigned half the garden searching for it, you find it precariously perched on top of the bookshelf and suddenly remember you sat it there while you answered that telephone call from the person you apparently asked to ring you back!!

Or worst of all, you are embarking on some terribly intelligent sounding statement, cleverly peppered with enough erudite words and phrases to gain grudging respect from your listener, when suddenly, inexplicably, right in the middle, you lose complete track of what you were saying and you mumble into tongue-tied embarrassment.

There are numerous books with eye catching 'How to...' titles such as 'How to Improve Your Memory' or 'How to Amaze Your Friends' (you've remembered their birthday/anniversary/name)

You've seen them advertised in magazines, tucked away in bookshelves and even lying forgotten, gathering dust on someone's bookshelf. As yet I've not succumbed to such measures, but you never know what you'll turn to in desperation.

As each 'I'm writing for P.N. today' day dawns, I'm quite often to be found trawling the previous weeks papers, casting my mind back to snippets of conversation and all those other little bits and pieces you pick up during the daily grind.

Not exactly in desperation but just waiting for that inspirational serendipitous (now there's a lovely word) euphoria of knowing just what I'm going to write about to kick in.

Just when I'm on the point of ringing the editor pleading insomnia or even senility some little thing pops into my mind as erratically as my Rowenta fires the breakfast toast across the table. Of course at that stage it's as unformed as a stodgy lump of dough. So with a bit of this and that and a good measure of rising agent, I settle down amidst my creative clutter and attempt to make you either cringe or cheer.

Despite my confidence in my ability to deal with anything from a broken egg to an invasion, I've never really acquired the panache needed to make one a success at parties.

I must admit I've never really

spent too much time worrying about it or felt the urge to buy a 'How to...' title. I've resigned myself to the fact that - while some people don't like cats, or inexplicably harbour a dislike of women, or will only eat brown eggs - I am not good at parties.

I tend to station myself in a spot somewhere out of the mainstream, sip my orange juice and attempt to blend in with the potted plants.

Not being very good at the mingling bit, I long ago decided that if everyone else was at it eventually they would all mingle my way and, if they were so minded, would have no compunction in interrupting my communion with nature via the squid impaled on my cocktail stick.

So, with trepidation I went along to Government House to 'meet the Minister'. Usually an introduction and handshake constitutes my 'meeting' but this time I discovered the answer to the little niggling question that's been confusing me for some time - our status.

I guess someone bought one of those self improvement 'How to...' titles, because, somewhere along the long journey we've been on since the first bull was thrown to the ground by the Gauchos bolas, we have self improved from a Colony (not a politically correct word), to a Dependant Territory. And that's about as official as you can get, I expect.

I don't know if you get a certificate or something, like when you pass your 'A' levels, but I fully expect to see in print, for instance in the next edition of The Collins English Dictionary, a more, re-

fective description of the true situation alongside the entry Falkland Islands.

Of course not everyone can be fully aware of this metamorphosis, in particular the Argentine Government and everyone who attends the de-colonisation meetings, or is that just another incomprehensible game played out for the spectators? What I'm not sure about, is when did this change occur and whether we are nearer to the tadpole that turned into a frog, or the caterpillar which turned into a beautiful butterfly?

Then again - what's in a name? And if Dependant Territory is more acceptable than Colony - so be it. It probably depends on whether you are an optimist or pessimist as to how you look at things. Lately there seems to be a tinge of pessimism creeping into the way we view current events. Are we losing our interest in all the interest politicians and other people have in us?

On a regular basis we are bombarded with rhetoric from Sn Di Tella and by a seemingly never ending queue of people eager to 'help us'. Are we just getting thoroughly fed up with it all?

Are we saying 'This is enough - we just want to live our lives in the peace of our islands - we don't want the worlds rat race'? We might be, unless it's just because we are too damn complacent or too lazy to leave the comfort of boxed lives via SSV or CNN.

Official visitors come to see the 'Islanders' - so they tell us. So just how many do they see? From what I understand not that many. The civic reception for the CPA delegates, the conference for the press and public and the phone-in to talk to the Minister Mr David Davis generated as much interest as a priest would have in visiting a strip club (disgruntled priests please write in.)

I certainly don't trot dutifully along to each and every event either, but I do make the effort to meet our visitor at one place or another. Unless we make the effort to promote a vibrant image we could lose one of the things essential to our future - goodwill.

I'm saying that I'm not suggesting any boot licking, think of it this way, if we re-popularise the old custom of chalking boots we could stock pile a fair amount of beer for the party on Independence Day! Or even on Secure Independence Day as suggested by Mr Gurr. One thing is certain wherever we end up on the world map as a result of the Geodetic Survey, only by our own effort will we remain where we want to be.

Position Vacant Office Administrator / Personal Assistant

The above position has become available within Consolidated Fisheries Ltd. This is an interesting position within a growing company which is wholly Falkland Islands owned and markets its products to the world. The suitable applicant will have good word processing skills, a working knowledge of up-to-date computer systems & software and ability with accounting systems. The company has dealings with many countries around the world including Spanish speaking nations so some ability with Spanish would be an advantage. Some experience in the fishing and/or shipping industry would also be an advantage. We are looking for a dynamic person who is prepared to take initiative and responsibility in this new and developing company.

Duties include typing, monitoring the company's accounts, payment of wages, daily contact with our representatives by radio at sea and assisting the General Manager with the company's development projects.

This is a genuine long term career opportunity with good prospects for promotion to be offered to the right person.

Further information on the position can be gained by speaking directly with the General Manager Martin Cox and salary and conditions will be discussed at the interviews which will take place next week.

Written application should be addressed to the undersigned and received no later than 5pm on Wednesday 8th of February 1995.

Martin Cox
General Manager
Consolidated Fisheries Ltd

Vacancies

The Falkland Islands Government has the following vacancies for school leavers:
Receptionist/Dental Assistant;
Apprentice Aircraft Engineer,
FIGAS;

Junior Clerk, Secretariat;
Junior Clerk, Public Works Department;
Apprentice Mechanics;
Apprentice Electrician;
Apprentice Carpenter

All of these vacancies would be suited to a young person looking for an interesting career.

For further information relating to any of these positions please contact the Establishment Secretary, Secretariat. Closing date for applications will be 6th February 1995.

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FIFF Pool results for coupon Jan 21, 1995.

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NOTICES

Commander British Forces Settlement Visit.

Traditional settlement visits by the Commander and the Station Commander continue. Would any camper not visited recently, who would be prepared to host a visit, please contact Civ. Mil. Officer, Major C.F. Lane. Tel 72800(w) 72337(h)

To all whom it may concern I should be grateful if all the people who had any items ordered through the late A.N. Cartmell, or owe money to the same, could please get in touch with me. Then I can arrange settlement of all these matters. Thank you. Patrick Berntsen, 10 James St. Stanley

NEWS FROM THE DHSA

THE committee of the Darwin Harbour Sports Association held the pre-sports meeting at Goose Green on Saturday 14th. January 1995.

The purpose of this meeting is to adjust the programme of events in accordance with decisions taken at the A.G.M. on 2nd March 1995.

In addition to normal business they had to find a place for a challenge cup presented by the Secretary of State for Foreign & Commonwealth Affairs on his visit to Goose Green in April 1994.

The executive committee decided this cup would become the star prize for the race known as the Champion Cup 600yds for the prize winning Falkland Island bred horses and would be exposed for 6 years and the jockey winning it the most times in that period would win it outright.

Unfortunately the sponsors for the cash prizes for the last couple of years, Capital House Investment Management Ltd. have been taken over by Newtons and have closed their charity account in the Falklands. At the moment the

programme is with the printers but no name has been put forward as sponsor for this race.

Any business or individual who can afford £100 is invited to contact Hon. Treasurer Riki Evans at Fitzroy or Hon Secretary Mrs Donna Evans at North Arm or Hon. Chairman Eric Goss also at North Arm. The inscription on this handsome 10" cup is as follows:-
THE FOREIGN SECRETARY'S CUP

Presented by
The Rt. Hon. Douglas Hurd
CBE MP
Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs
to
The Darwin Harbour Sports Association Goose Green
April 1994

This years sports meeting will be held at North Arm from Monday 20th Feb to Friday 24th. All are welcome but make your booking for lodging as early as possible. Pet owners are reminded that only working sheep dogs taking part in the Dog trials on Monday 20th can be brought onto the farm.

R.I.F.L. FOOTBALL POOLS

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Grimsb'y	v	Luton					
Nott. County	v	Southend					
Oldham	v	Middlesbro					
Port Vale	v	West Brom					
Reading	v	Derby					
Sheff. United	v	Stoke					
Watford	v	Burnley					
Wolves	v	Bristol City					

Moto X Report by Kelly Moffat

YET another successful Moto X was held on the Stanley Dairy race track. A firm favorite with the riders, this course gets very churned up, but most of the spectacular jumps and slopes are on the opposite side to where the spectators are, and it is not unusual to see a hoard of people, going to and fro from jump to jump then back to the rovers when the race has finished, all red in the face!

Congratulations to all the winners, commiserations to the losers. Many thanks to Malcom Ashworth for the use of the land. Here are the final results:-

McPress Clubman's Classic

1. J Clarke	171
2. S Jennings	148
3. C Bernsten	130
4. N McKay	102
5. J Moffat	93
6. Cpl Wigston	78
7. B Stewart	71

8. C Hawksworth	57
9. G McNamee	34
10. C Harris	32
11. G Clement	28
12. H Mawson	26
13. Boogie	17
14. S Pritchard	12
15. C Clarke	7

Stanley Services Open Challenge

1. A Turner	97
2. A Alazia	81
3. J Summers	63
4. A Newman	53
5. J Clarke	51
6. S Jennings	38
7. B Stewart	24
8. J Moffat	23
9. G Clement	22
10. Cpl Wigston	18
11. D Jaffray	17
12. N McKay	16
13. C Bernste	11
14. C Harris	10
15. J Peck	9
16. H Mawson	7
17. Boogie	3

POSTSCRIPT FROM THE TABERNACLE

THE Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, said, "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him. Whoever believes in Him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

This is the verdict: light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen

plainly that what he has done has been done through God." (John 3:16-21)

Jesus Himself is the light which came into the world. He said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

John the Baptist, the prophet declared by Jesus to be the greatest born of women, explained, "The Father loves the Son and has placed everything in His hands. Whoever believes in (trusts in, clings to) the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on him." (John 3: 35-36).

Jesus is more than just a prophet or teacher. One question remains: Where do you stand with Him?

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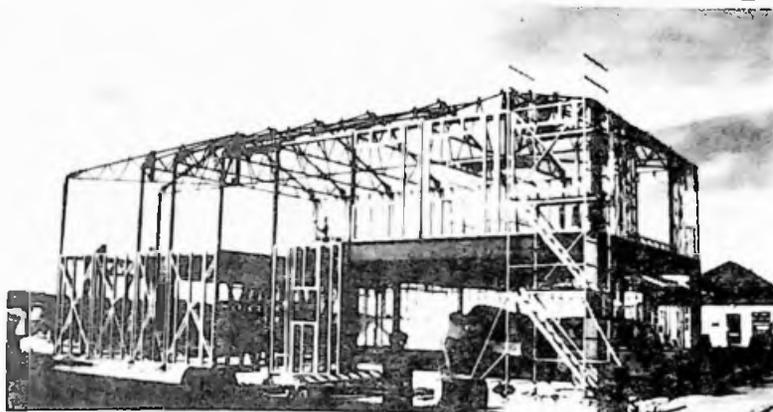
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Going up - the new bank building

LOOKING at this stage like some giant Meccano set, the skeleton of the new bank building has begun to rise above the vacant space created by the demolition of the Old Gymnasium.

Whether we will end up loving it or hating it, at this stage it's difficult to tell - but its unusual mode of construction will surely provoke much interest.



Surge of power in East Stanley

SEVERAL houses at Stanley's east end suffered damage to electrical equipment on Sunday, February 5, between 3:35 and 3:40pm, when a power line developed a fault, according to PWD Director Brian Hill.

"A connector came loose, and we had a high resistance fault in the neutral line," he continued. This caused some houses to receive voltage below, and others above, the normal 240v level.

At least one affected householder had the presence of mind to measure their supply and voltages around 350 400v were apparently recorded.

Eight or nine houses are thought to have suffered damage, he said. The affected areas were on Fitzroy Road East, Kent Road, and the east end of Davis Street toward McKay Close.

One householder reported two TV sets, a video player, 2 CD players, and a clock radio put out of action. Other equipment, such as computers, freezers and fridges, were also affected in some cases.

"We would normally expect consumers to claim on their household insurance," said Mr. Hill. "If they do not have this cover, we would look sympathetically at any claim for repair, or replacement on a similar basis."

British Gas talks with Argentines confirmed

BRITISH GAS has held preliminary talks with potential partners about exploring for oil in the South Atlantic, according to a report in *The Times* of February 7, compiled by Evan Dyer in Buenos Aires and Ross Tieman.

The basis for this report was an interview published in what was described as a leading Buenos Aires daily paper, and given by Jose Estenssoro, President of Argentina's largest oil company, Yacimientos Petroliferos Fiscales (YPF), who confirmed that talks had been held with British Gas about drilling for offshore oil within the Falkland Islands exclusion zone.

While such talks were widely reported as early as October (See PN of October 15), confirmation was at that time difficult to obtain.

Senor Estenssoro admitted that YPF and British Gas had jointly purchased the results of the seismic surveys and had handed a written proposal to their respective governments.

According to the report, YPF and British Gas are said to be considering extending membership of their consortium to Petrobras, the Brazilian corporation, which has a vast amount of deep sea experience.

Trawlers not that cheap

IN our report on local trawler registration in last week's issue, the omission of an 'm' for million, made it appear that Argos Ltd had only invested £1.25, as opposed to £1.5 million, in their ship the *Argos Pereira*.

While the intention of the piece must have been evident to everyone, apparently this typographical omission caused some amusement and may have led to some "wind-up merchants" ringing Argos and offering to invest in their next ship.

We apologise for our omission and for any embarrassment and nuisance caused by our more jocular readership.

MP naturalist puts Falklands questions in the House

IN A series of questions to the Foreign Secretary for written reply, Mr. Tony Banks, MP, who visited the Falklands aboard the tourist vessel "Hanscatic" this January, has sought information about the state of Falklands wildlife.

His first question asked what assessment the Foreign Secretary had made of the reasons for the current decline in Rockhopper penguin numbers in the Islands, and which other penguin species are affected.

The reply, from a spokesman gave two major reasons which had been advanced for the decline, which was not limited to the Falklands: changes in ocean temperature, possibly related to the El Nino phenomenon, and a natural cycle of decline similar to those previously recorded, which had been followed by an upturn."

The spokesman, a Mr Baldry, added that no other major penguin species on the Islands had suffered significant decline and that detailed surveys of Penguin colonies were being undertaken by Falklands Conservation.

The next question from Mr. Banks concerned measures being taken to avoid overfishing in Falkland Islands waters, and which countries are licensed currently to fish here.

Replying, Mr. Baldry summarised the present licensing system and the arrangements in place for scientific evaluation of safe catch levels, monitored, according to season by two aircraft and either one or two patrol vessels.

Countries licensed to fish in Falkland waters during 1995 were, Belize, Chile, France, Honduras, Italy, Japan, Korea, Panama, Poland, Portugal, Spain, and Taiwan, said Mr. Baldry.

Questioned about plans to cull fur seals on South Georgia, the answer was that there were none. BAS were studying the population dynamics of fur seals and their impact on terrestrial and marine ecosystems."



YOUR LETTERS.....

write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley

Shoddy journalism?

I REALISE that by the time this reaches you it will be a 'cold topic', but having just received the January 7 edition of Penguin News, I feel that I have to register my displeasure at your front page item referring to the opening of the inquest into the deaths of the four men here at Rothera base.

It would appear to contain a couple of glaring errors and, finding it hard to believe that the Chief Police Officer has failed to properly digest and understand the statements made at the time, I can but assume that some pretty shoddy journalism is to blame?

I'm deeply disappointed, and look forward to hearing what was really said when the inquest convenes.

P.J. Robertson, Rothera

(Contrary to what our report stated, it would appear that no one at Rothera Base saw any one leave the wreckage of the plane. On the evidence of an over-flight of the crash site on the following day, it appeared that one person had been able to get a short distance clear of the fuselage before being overcome by the fire.

I am grateful to Mr Robertson for drawing the inaccuracy in our reporting of this story to my attention. This was a tragic event and I would not have wished to have added in any degree to the distress of all concerned.

I apologise also to the Chief Police Officer for misquoting him so woefully and thank him for supplying us with the above, corrected, version of events.

John Fowler
Managing Editor

Jet skis and wild-life don't mix

Jet Skis and wildlife in Stanley Harbour don't mix! Which do you favour? Mindless idiots freely exercising noise pollution on Steamer Ducks which have probably been here for millions of years and whose presence we all enjoy?

Realise that a population which goes to work on scramble motorbikes and which has long since lost interest in the gentle art of sailing won't appreciate such criticism from a passing visitor, but I think it might be wise to confront the jet ski question sooner than later. These machines cost a lot of money and once bought their owners won't give them up without a fight! Is the majority of the Stanley population willing to put up with the very annoying noise whenever the wind dies and the harbour becomes unusually tranquil?

Robin Hawkes, Yacht "Alarch Wen"

A three week long experience that could never be seen on video

TO THE wonderful people of Stanley

We didn't quite make it to Antarctica but we have seen it on that excellent video "Life in the Freezer" which was loaned to us by one of you nice people. We both feel that our experience here in Stanley for three weeks has been more rewarding and could never be seen on video! First off, I (Doris), will be forever grateful to Doctor David Lindley and Janette and Sharon for saving my

life on January 24th and for the prayers that were offered for me in both Christ Church Cathedral and St. Mary's Church. Beyond that, the entire staff of the hospital who treated both of us with kindness and loving care.

Outside the hospital we have met and been warmly welcomed by many residents of this unique community. Many thanks to you all! The memory of our stay here will remain in our hearts forever.

Doris Berry & Archie Graham

Public Notice

The Customs and Immigration Department has a vacancy for an Assistant Customs and Immigration Officer. Applicants must be mature, physically fit as the job involves climbing ships' ladders often in adverse weather conditions, be willing to work unsocial hours and hold a valid driving licence. Keyboard skills and knowledge of another language would be an advantage.

Salary ranges from £7,548 per annum in Grade G1 to £12,900 per annum at the top of Grade G3. Entry point will be dependant on age and any previous relevant experience. Hours of work include unsocial hours and the successful applicant will be required to be on call on a roster basis.

For full details of the duties involved, please contact the Collector of Customs during normal working hours. Application forms and a job description are available from the Secretariat. Completed forms should be returned to the Chairman Appointments Board, Secretariat by 4.30 pm on Wednesday 15th February 1995.

The Secretariat, Stanley
February 6, 1995
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I GREW UP in a city, where it is not uncommon for people to turn up Roman remains in their vegetable plots, where buildings six hundred years old are a commonplace and where an excavation of the Viking settlement is now a major tourist attraction. Despite this exposure to what my daughter would no doubt call "hard-core History", going back over 2000 years, I find myself getting more excited about the relatively short history of the Falkland Islands.

In global terms, it might have been only a relatively short episode - a mere blink of an eye - but because the Falklands has been a British Colony for the last 160 years or so and despite invasion in 1982 and the occasional ruinous fires, its history has been extremely well documented. Moreover, as the presence of Miss Madge Biggs at the Stanley 150 flag-raising demonstrated our history largely concerns the ancestors of people who are still to be found living their lives in the Falklands.

In later years, young Kyle Biggs will be able to tell how on the 150th anniversary of the founding of Stanley, he received the flag from the hand of one who when holding her Grandfather's hand, was also holding the hand of one, who as a youth of nineteen or so and the son of Private James Biggs, the primogenitor of all the Biggs family in the Falklands, had been present at the first raising of the British flag in Stanley. Given the mobility of people in most of the so-called developed world, there can be few societies, where the majority of individuals still live as close to their community's history as this.

Occasionally, when VIP guests arrive in the Falklands one might have reason to wonder at some of the items on their itinerary - why, for instance do they always go to Sea Lion Island? - but never at why they are taken to the Stanley Museum, which should be made compulsory visiting for all residents as well as for visitors, so good a job does it do in setting out the occasionally quirky history of this place in a way which is itself occasionally quirky, but never dull. We could have another such jewel in our crown.

Last week I was very grateful to find myself invited to the reception and exhibition at Government House for the 25th Anniversary of the Falkland Islands Philatelic Study Group. During the course of that evening, I became convinced of two things: FIG should purchase the stamp collection of the late Nutt Carmel and we should give priority to exhibiting it properly with the rest of the great wealth of philatelic, artistic and fascinating historical material currently gathering dust in the drawers of the post office. The present bank would do nicely.

Public Notice

The attorney General's Chambers wishes to recruit a solicitor to fill the post of Crown Counsel for a period of two years. The post is suitable for an applicant with two to three years' post qualifying experience, preferably gained in a High Street firm in a country town.

The successful applicant will assist the Attorney General and Senior Crown Counsel with the provision of general legal services to the Government and associated bodies in a common law jurisdiction with statute law largely consisting of English applied statutes or local statutes very similar to English statute law.

Salary ranges from £19,260 to £22,032 per annum in Grade G6. Further details may be obtained from the Attorney General's Chambers during normal working hours.

Application forms and a job description can be obtained from the Secretariat and completed forms should be sent to the Chairman Senior Appointments Board Secretariat by 4.30 pm on Monday 13th February 1995.

The Secretariat, Stanley
February 6, 1995

Public notice No: 20/95
Ref: STF/11

Public Notice

Applications are invited to fill the post of Observer with the Falkland Islands Government Air Service to take part in aerial surveillance of the FICZ. This is an established position attracting salary in the range of £7,584 in Grade G1 to £10,572 in Grade G2 plus an allowance of £6.64 per day when undertaking airborne duties. Applicants should ideally be aged between 18 and 25 years, although applications from those outside this age group will be considered.

Further details and application forms may be obtained from the General Manager or Chief Pilot, FIGAS. Completed forms should be returned to the Chairman, Appointments Boards, Secretariat by Wednesday 15th February 1995.

The Secretariat, Stanley
February 6, 1995

Public Notice No: 21/95
Ref: STF/21

Sisters return to St. Mary's after over 50 years



Sister Mairead (left) and Sister Bridie (right)

ST. MARY'S parish - and indeed, the Falklands community - have been considerably brightened with the arrival, on January 31, of two nuns, the first to join the staff of the Catholic Church since 1942.

Far from appearing in what many would expect to be conventional nuns' habits, these two wear tartan skirts, bright smiles, and look quite chic.

Sisters Bridie and Mairead (rhymes with "parade"), both Irish, come from the Sisters of Mercy Order, known throughout the English-speaking world, particularly for their medical, social and teaching work. Both teachers, the Sisters responded when their Mother Superior in London, acceding to a request from Msgr. Agreiter, asked for volunteers to go to the Falklands.

In the Magistrates Court

THREE cases involving driving offences were heard in Magistrates Court before Senior Magistrate Andrew Jones on Wednesday, February 8, following a reduction of sentence for a fourth driver.

Mr. Neil Moge, who was fined £400 on January 24 for driving at 61mph on the MPA road, was informed by the Senior Magistrate that his fine was excessive for a first offence; the fine, for a grateful Mr. Moge, was reduced to £200.

Patricio Gallardo, who works at North Arm, pleaded guilty to driving a landrover while his blood alcohol level was almost three times the legal limit, and not being insured to drive. The offence occurred in the early morning of January 2, when Mr. Gallardo's vehicle grazed another landrover, causing minor damage. A character reference for Mr. Gallardo from the North Arm manager, Mr. Eric Goss, was supplied to the court. On the charge of driving under the influence of alcohol, Mr. Gallardo was sentenced to three months imprisonment, suspended for two years, and disqualified from driving for two years. He was fined £300 for driving without insurance cover, and ordered to pay £35 costs. His licence was endorsed.

Private Francis Joseph Kealey pleaded guilty to dripping diesel oil on Stanley roads after a freak incident at FIPASS on December

13, in which a forklift loading an engine onto the Bedford lorry he was driving penetrated the engine's fuel tank. Having done his best to control the spillage with sawdust, and believing the tank had no more to discharge, Private Kealey drove into Stanley, while additional diesel from the damaged tank leaked out at every turn. Compensation of £134.40 was claimed by the PWD, whose task it had been to clean up the mess.

After questioning the accused, the Senior Magistrate said he had taken all reasonable steps to deal with the problem, and gave him a conditional discharge for 12 months. The Senior Magistrate sentenced Private Kealey to pay £100 in compensation, and costs of £35.

In the last driving incident, Cpl. John Maxwell pleaded guilty to driving at 56mph on the Darwin Road on January 10, having been tailed by a Police landrover which was unrecognisable as such from the front, and finally speeding out of range of the Police. Following a character reference by a military spokesman, Cpl. Maxwell was fined £130, ordered to pay costs of £35, and his licence was endorsed.

Cycling Proficiency for Stanley children

WITH the addition of 9-year old Joleen Morrison, who passed her cycling test on February 6, three Junior School children have qualified to receive Cycle Proficiency Certificates. The other two - Philip Cant and Donna Ford - passed the test during the school holidays.

German, German Schwarz scales South Georgia's highest peak

MOUNT PAGET, at 2,934 metres, the highest peak on South Georgia was successfully climbed for only the fourth time ever on January 26.

The ascent on the previously unclimbed North East Ridge was made by a team of six led by a 65 year old German climber, named, appropriately enough, German Schwarz. Among the party was Sgt Stratford, a Royal Marine arctic warfare instructor from the garrison on South Georgia.

The Commissioner for South Georgia, Mr David Tatham has sent his congratulations to the climbers, some of whom have now left the island on the yacht Pelagic.

January weather

ANOTHER unexceptional month with all readings normal for the time of year, including our statistically correct 1 day with fog.

Whilst the average temperature for the month as a whole was a little down 10.65°C, as opposed to a longer temp mean of 11.0°C; this was a reflection on cooler days rather than colder nights. Neither grass nor concrete minimum temperature fell below 0°C during the month.

A total of 78.4mm against the mean of 66.2mm was well within the expected year to year variation, with thunderstorms on the 5th and 15th accounting for 44% of the total rainfall.

No snow fell this month, but hail was reported on both 14th and 15th.

A total of 221.6 hours sunshine was recorded, an equivalent to 7 hours 9 minutes each day. The 24th was the sunniest day with 14.2 hours whilst the 7th, 8th and 23rd scored zero.

A mean speed of 14.3 knots was just below average. Gusts exceeded 33 knots on 16 days, and exceeded 43 knots on 6 days. The highest gust being 57 knots on the 21st. Gales were recorded on 4 days; lasting for 10 hours on the 30th, 3 hours on the 21st and 2 hours on the 19th.

This summary of last month's weather is by courtesy of MPA Meteorological Office. Longterm averages for Stanley (1962-81) are shown in parentheses. Temperatures are in degrees Celsius, wind in knots, rain in millimetres, sunshine in hours.

Highest daily max temp	22.5 (24.5)
Lowest daily min temp	2.3 (0.5)
Mean daily max temp	14.6 (13.4)
Mean daily min temp	6.7 (5.7)
Total rainfall	74.8 (75.3)
Total sunshine	221.6 (204.9)
Days with rain	15 (-)
Days with snow	0 (1)
Days snow lying at 1300Z	0 (-)
Days with fog*	1 (2)
Days with air frost	0 (0)
Days with hail	2 (3)
Days with thunderstorms	3 (2)
Days with gales	4 (4)
Days with gusts 34KT+	16 (18)
Highest gust	57 (-)

* Includes reduction in visibility due to blowing snow or heavy snow showers.

THE CLOTHES SHOW

Fashion Show Tickets

The Fashion Show is to be held in the Town Hall on Tuesday 21st February, between 7.00pm and 9.00pm

There will be a bar from 9.00pm to 11.00pm to enable the audience to meet with the Clothes Show team. Snacks will be available.

Tickets will be available only from FIDC, from 13th February, after 9.00am

Tickets will be £3.00 each and all proceeds will go to charity. The charities are 'CAPED' and 'Stanley Nursery School'.

Tickets must be collected and paid for on the day of enquiry - otherwise they go back into the pot.

Tickets from FIDC are for the civilian population only. MOD have a separate percentage allocation and will be notified as to the issue of such.

Only four tickets will be issued to each inquirer.

No children under the age of 10 years will be admitted. This rule will be strictly adhered to.

There will be no admission to the show after 6.50pm

Tickets are issued on a first come first served basis.

Tickets must be produced at the point of entry, otherwise admission is unlikely to be secured.

All persons wishing to apply for modelling selections should likewise apply for tickets, as only 6 female and 6 male models will be chosen from some 70 applicants. If you have a ticket and are also chosen to model, then the ticket can be passed on.

Call FIDC on 27211

It is important that we fill the hall to provide good camera effect and generate audience participation. Therefore those obtaining tickets and finding themselves unable to attend are asked to hand them to their friends.

Kevin Kilmartin

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'Calling in the Falklands'



PAYING his first visit to the Falklands last week was David Wood of the BBC World Service, one of the presenters of *Calling in the Falklands*.

Asked what he had learned during a tour which took in Port Howard and Goose Green as well as Stanley, David had no hesitation in saying that his programme, which currently competes with the popular TV soap, *Emmerdale*, needed to find a new slot, preferably in the morning. He was fairly confident that this could be arranged at the London end and was hopeful that agreement could be reached with FIBS and BFBS in the Falklands to bring about a more satisfactory scheduling.

Sue Howes: Gone back to the outback

SUE HOWES - the lady who put the capital "C" into Compassion for Croatia within these islands - left the Falklands on Wednesday bound for Australia.

Sue's effort in raising over £10,000 for humanitarian aid in Croatia, and then joining a British Croatia-bound aid convoy in mid-1994, will not soon be forgotten. Another project of hers, involving the issue of two special philatelic covers, raised £3,000, of which £500 was given to the RAF Benevolent Fund, £100 to the Red Cross local branch, £1,000 to CARITAS-Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina, with more to go to CAFOD-RWANDA.

As part of her police duties, Sue conducted childrens' cycling proficiency classes (urging parents to purchase cycling helmets

for their children which displayed the British "kite" mark of quality) An animal lover, in her last communication to Penguin News, Sue made a plea for the establishment of an RSPCA branch.

In leaving, Sue expressed regret that time constraints prohibited her from saying farewell to her many friends, and thanked all those who had helped her to raise over £16,000 in all, plus 350kg of wool.

Her next venture, she says, will involve a return to opal mining. All those who may find themselves in Coober Pedy, South Australia ("Coober Pedy" is an Aboriginal name, she says, meaning "White man in a hole"), are warmly invited to look her up...address: 14 mile Opalfield.

Introducing Tracey Sheehan, the legal fledgling in Kevin's eyrie

MISS Tracey Sheehan arrived in the Falkland Islands a month ago, and is working with Kevin Kilmartin. Tracey is from Mr. Kilmartin's associated firm, Andrew M. Jackson & Co., at Hull, England.

Andrew M. Jackson was established in 1874 and has always maintained a Specialist Admiralty Department. In recent years it has become a founding member at the Fishing Industry Lawyers Group. This network offers legal service to those involved in fishing and its allied industries.

AMJ's has had a keen interest in the Falkland Islands. In fact, the Islands were the subject for the dissertation of one partner, Rob Penrose (a member of the Admiralty Department) as part of his degree. The head of the department, Silas Taylor, along with John Hammersley, the firm's Managing Partner, visited the Islands in February, 1991, so Tracey's visit is very much a follow-up.

Tracey is a 'trainee Solicitor with a couple of months to go before qualifying. She undertook

her first law degree at Manchester University, and subsequently read for a Masters Degree in International Trade and Maritime Law at Nottingham University. Whilst on this course she undertook a 3 months study at the European University in Florence. After spending time studying, Tracey gained 12 months experience as a paralegal in two London firms in their Admiralty & Shipping Departments.

Tracey then obtained Articles with Andrew M. Jackson & Co. She has spent periods in Commercial Litigation, Admiralty and Shipping, and Tax Trust & Probate. On returning to England later this year, and on qualification, Tracey will be joining the Admiralty & Shipping Department as an Assistant Solicitor.

The association between the two firms involves a two-way support system, AMJ's also having Commercial Property, Company Commercial, Tax, and Commercial Litigation departments. This latest visit will strengthen further the links between KK and AMJ's.

Study group celebrate 25 years

ON THURSDAY night, HE the Governor and Mrs Tatham hosted a reception at Government House to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Falkland Islands Philatelic Study Group.

Local and UK members of the Group, along with other guests who included local stamp designers, philatelic bureau staff and post office staff from Stanley and MPA, were treated to a marvellous exhibition of philatelic material, including rare covers, hand franks and original art work from the post office archives.

The display in the large drawing room at Government House, had been prepared by Stefan Heijtz and Stephen Palmer with the help of others, including the Government Archivist, Miss Jane Cameron, who had traced some of the earliest Government orders and correspondence relating to stamps.

Addressing the gathering, the Governor took the opportunity first to thank, not only those who had set up the exhibition, but also all those connected with the postal



Mr Malcolm Barton presents a photograph album to the Governor.

and philatelic services on the Islands, both civilian and military.

H.E. paid tribute to the work done over the years by the Falkland Islands Philatelic Study Group and expressed regret that one of its founder members, the late Nutt Cartmel, had been unable to take part in the celebrations.

With regard to Nutt's famous stamp collection, the Governor

expressed concern that there was some danger of it going out of the Islands and perhaps even being broken up, but said that to keep it would require public money and he urged those that felt the purchase of the collection to be a good thing to get on the phone to their councillors.

Similarly, the Governor urged those who wished to see a philatelic

museum set up in Stanley to make their wishes known to Council. What was on display at Government House represented less than 10% of the great wealth of material that was available for display, if an appropriate site could be found.

At the conclusion of the Governor's address, Major Ronnie Spafford thanked the Governor for marking the occasion in such a way and paid his own tribute to Nutt Cartmel.

Mr Malcolm Barton, another of the founder members of the Study Group, who, despite his close family connections with the Islands was making his first trip here, then presented the Governor with an album of previously unseen Falklands photographs from the 1930's on behalf of the Study Group.

Stefan Heijtz presented the Government House Library with two of his own publications on Falklands philately, including his definitive work, Specialised Stamp Catalogue of the Falklands Stamps and Dependencies.

Loligo squid: a £5.25 million industry

LOLIGO SQUID are vitally important to the Falkland Islands these days, but, despite eight years of scientific research, we don't yet know all we need to know about them.

This was one of the major conclusions in a fascinating talk on loligo squid by Dr. Emma Hatfield in the Community School on Tuesday evening, January 31. Dr. Hatfield, a specialist in Loligo research, who, with Dr. Paul Rodhouse, comprises a BAS spe-

cialist group working on Southern Ocean squid, and whose work has been funded by the Falkland Islands Government, pointed out that, if nothing else, the high licence value of the current annual Loligo catch (£5.25 million) makes it worth our while to find out all we can about this relatively little-known mollusc.

World demand for squid from the Southwest Atlantic has literally exploded in the recent past (the catch in 1989 was more than 500 times what it had been 20 years earlier).

"In 1980," she pointed out, "the Southwest Atlantic sector contributed a mere 3% to the world catch, whereas in 1992 the Southwest Atlantic total was 33%, with the Falkland Islands zone accounting for 15% of that catch."

70% of it comes from the two squid species - *Illex* and *Loligo* - which provide 90% of the Government's licencing revenue. Although *Illex* fishing yields the largest income, in the last year or two, *Loligo* catches relative to *Illex* have increased, and so has the amount earned.

Of the six primary species of *Loligo*, the variety found in the Falklands fishery - the *Loligo gahi* - has produced the highest maximum annual tonnage. The 1994 catch, some 66,000 tonnes, is approximately half the 1989 catch, but is still the largest *Loligo* fishery worldwide, Dr. Hatfield said.

But just what is a squid? Dr. Hatfield went into considerable detail in describing a creature thought to have evolved from an ancestral type 250 million years

ago. "Typically elongated and streamlined," the *Loligo* squid has fins which "act as stabilisers during gentle swimming motions, but are shut down in fast swimming." It has an interior funnel which permits it to swim by a form of jet propulsion. The jet can be pointed in whatever direction the squid wishes - even backward, to allow maximum choice of direction. It has eight arms, with suckers to hold its prey, and two tentacles longer than the arms. One curious aspect: "prey items need to be held steady as all food items reach the stomach through a tube which passes through the middle of the squid's brain."

With a parrot-like beak to bite off bits of food and a tongue with rows of tiny teeth (which it presents "on a conveyor belt system, so as the old teeth wear down, new sharp teeth move forward"), *Loligo* squid have a supremely efficient system for masticating food. They need it. They have only a year in which to be born (at 1mm or 2mm length), grow to catchable size (4 to 6 inches), lay their eggs and finally die.

Eggs, however, are a vexed question; they are so difficult to locate. "Given the size of the fishery, we have found about a bucketful of eggs so far," said Dr. Hatfield. She issued a plea to anyone boating offshore to collect and bring in eggs.

Observations of *Loligo* behaviour reveal that:

Its spawning and nursery grounds are in shallow water from which it moves into deeper water, "in and out of the squid fishing

grounds."

Loligo numbers vary according to periods "when different groups of squid move into the fishing grounds. Much as there are spring, summer and autumn blooming flowers, it seems we have autumn, winter and spring spawning squid."

As a result, daily catches can vary considerably, according to Magnus George, Fisheries scientist, ranging from a high of 30 million, to the present 12 million "on a good day".

A good deal of research will still be necessary if the *Loligo* fishery is to be protected.

Much greater information is needed on "egg distribution and spawning grounds, and basically the first six months of the life cycle of the species."

Also they need to learn why catches vary within the fishery so that fluctuations can be anticipated and predictions made as to whether it will be a good or bad squid year.

In short, scientists have come a long way, but there is still a long way to go. Considering the overwhelming collapse rate of other world fisheries, success in preserving the *Loligo* fishery will be an impressive jewel in the crown of scientific research.



Dr. Emma Hatfield



Loligo squid: dorsal view

Stanley Butchery: FIDC report says it's well past its own sell-by date

" that there has been no attributable illness related to the butchery is a credit to their diligence"



Stanley Butchery, showing white 'reefer' chill facility

Photo FIDC



Direct discharge into the harbour during slaughtering

Photo FIDC



Dual tanks for the storage of offal. Offal held for a minimum of 4 weeks prior to discharge to eliminate any possibility of Hydatid

Photo FIDC

THE INTRODUCTION to the FIDC report on the new abattoir project states "The findings of the Feasibility Study and of the two Sub-groups, have been combined into the following document, strongly supporting the construction of a new abattoir on a site to the south east of Stanley at a cost of approximately £1 million.

The feasibility study referred to was commissioned by FIDC from the British Meat and Livestock Commission, (MLC), first presented in October 1993 and revised for presentation to the Stabex Steering Committee in April, 1994.

While this Committee were reported as being generally satisfied that the project should proceed, it was felt that there were some aspects of the MLC proposal which required further attention and the two sub groups were formed to look into them.

Sub-Group A, looked into Agricultural Aspects and Operations and was composed of Ian Dempster from FIDC, Lyn Blake, Tony Heathman, Rodney Lee and Robin Lee representing farming interests, Owen Summers and Ian Saunders from the Dept. of Agriculture, Ted Jones and Ben Berntsen, butchers and Richard Wagner from the Treasury.

Sub-Group B was concerned with the location, construction and waste disposal aspects of the proposal and its members were Mike Summers, FIDC Chairman, Robin Lee, Manager of Falklands Landholdings, the Hon. Sharon Halford, Chairperson of the Agricultural Advisory Committee, Messrs. Ted Jones and Ben Berntsen, butchers, Manfred Keenleyside of PWD, Ian Saunders, the Department of Agriculture's vet and Richard Wagner of the Treasury.

The resulting study is a long document - the body has 72 pages and there are almost as many annexes - and appears to go a long way towards defusing some of the commonly expressed fears about this project and its consequences for the consumer and the farming industry in the Falklands.

While we are not qualified to comment on the technical aspects of the report, in what follows, *Penguin News*, looks at some of the commonly asked questions about the abattoir project and attempts to present a summary of the answers the study provides:

For those with long memories, the first question usually is:

Will it be another Ajax Bay?

In a section of the report entitled *Lessons from the Past*, a look is taken both at the moderately successful Goose Green Canning Factory in the early part of this century (61,181 sheep were canned in 1917) and at the disastrous Ajax Bay scheme of 1953, when a freezer plant, which cost nearly half a million pounds, operated for only ten weeks in two years and processed only some 20,000 sheep in total before being closed down and abandoned.

To those who would compare the new abattoir with the latter development, the report says: "Ajax Bay was built by a Colonial Department to service farms owned by overseas landlords, to supply a distant overseas market. The remote site of the Ajax Bay development meant that it was not intended to fulfil any local demand nor could it fulfil any social or long term employment needs."

Running throughout the report, and underlined in its early recommendations, is the understanding that though a new abattoir is seen as an essential tool to enable agricultural diversity and entry into new markets, it should initially be "sized to serve the local market".

What's wrong with the present butchery?

Although, as the report states, there has never been any attributable illness related to the present butchery, nevertheless it has a great number of shortcomings as a place in which to work, which a new facility would hope to avoid. It is unheated and draughty, with little mechanisation and no adequate provision for the changing of clothes, showers or modern toilet facilities.

Reservations are voiced by the report about the layout of the butchery, which it is claimed does not allow a totally humane slaughtering regime in that live animals, that have been killed and animals being butchered, all are present in the same area.

Having only one "reefer type" chill facility, no blast freezer and no freezer storage, greatly restricts summer through-put and also reduces the capacity of the butchers to store sufficient of the product to meet suddenly increased demands, from the fishing fleet, for instance.

Even if there were to be an increased demand for meat and an availability of supply to meet that demand, (both issues dealt with else-

where in the report) the conclusion is that the present facilities have so little potential for growth that such a demand could not be met.

Those that doubt whether there might be any increase in demand available within the local market might be impressed with the report's finding that in recent years, imports of meat products into the Falklands have been running at around a staggering £100,000 per year.

The current position of the butchery and its system for the disposal of waste, either directly into the harbour during slaughter or indirectly, after a four week holding period in offal tanks, directly pollutes the harbour in an area where there is known to be insufficient tidal action for thorough water renewal. The report states "To build a non offensive and efficient abattoir in an area which does not directly pollute the waterway upon which the town of Stanley is built, would in itself be a major social contribution"

Why should we have to build a new abattoir to EEC standards?

The short answer to this question is that it is intended that this project will be totally EEC funded and they will demand that their standards are complied with.

In fact, as the report points out, among the expected benefits of the new abattoir, which is seen as the key to an integrated agricultural development policy, is that it will facilitate competition for new export markets as well as for the existing MOD market. In either case, being able to meet the EEC standards will be a sine qua non.

What will happen to the price of meat locally? Will the customer end up paying for the new abattoir over the counter?

At the beginning of the report, FIDC lists a number of "understandings", on the basis of which ExCo will be asked to approve the design and construction of a new abattoir. First among these is "that the full cost of the project will be met from Stabex funds" and the third is "that the operating cost of the facility will not lead to any product price increases to the local market."

Equally important, particularly for farmers already supplying meat direct to the Stanley market and to those that buy from them is the following statement: "no at-

tempt will be made on the basis of this project to prevent farmers from supplying to the local market if they so wish."

What will be the impact of the new abattoir on wool production?

Critics of the proposed new abattoir have suggested that in order to support its demands for meat animals, many Falklands farmers will have to be persuaded to change focus from wool production to beef or to "fat lamb" production, thereby abandoning a known and reviving market in favour of a doubtful export market for meat, which has recently been even more depressed than the wool market.

Addressing this criticism, the report states: "It is critical that the farming community are made aware that the FIG would not be seeking to impose diversification upon any farming business by the introduction of a new abattoir and that the abattoir would be provided as a vehicle for rural development - no one has to take a ride."

If the agricultural sector were to confine any proposed diversification to beef, which history suggests can be run in the Falklands along side sheep in a mutually beneficial way, and were able to establish a healthy market for the product of these endeavours, then the report suggests, there would be little controversy.

FIDC, however, feel duty bound to look at the lamb market, where the farmer might have to make "meat against wool" decisions, if it seemed that it was to his commercial benefit to do so.

The report concedes that a programme of diversification that provides income and spreads the risk inherent in a one product industry might reduce the supply of Falklands wool to the UK market.

To put this possible effect into perspective, FIDC suggests that even at full stretch, seven days a week, slaughtering only sheep, the maximum annual through-put of the new abattoir would be around 50,000, a mere 7.38% of the Islands sheep population and hardly a major impact upon the National Product.

What's in it for the local consumer?

The inadequacies of the present abattoir, coupled with the present requirement for the butchery staff to spend many man hours in droving

sheep and cattle, not only restrict the butchery's ability to run a year round slaughtering regime, but also limit its ability to expand its activities to meet the wider expectations of choice and presentation of a growing number of today's consumers.

A new facility, supplied increasingly via road and coupled with the expected accompanying diversification of meat production will, the report claims, assist in the expansion of the local market and take back into the economy some of the £100,000 per annum, which, as was noted earlier, flows out of the Falklands in payment for imported meat products.

It is anticipated that prime cuts of beef and mutton should be available throughout the year, in family-sized, well-presented packs and that ultimately pork, ham and bacon could be added to the locally-produced product range, together with beef mince products, such as beef burgers and sausages.

What about other markets?

The report makes it clear that the prime motivation for the provision

of a new abattoir is the inadequacy of the present butchery, to meet what are perceived as the growing demands of the home market and, as has been indicated the new project is sized appropriately, but allowing for expansion should greatly increased demand occur.

Besides home consumption, the report identifies 4 other potential markets:

Ministry of Defence, vessels and offshore exploration. The European Community and other parts of the world.

As is well-known, all these markets are at present denied to us because our current abattoir does not measure up to internationally accepted standards. In the case of supply to MOD defined criteria for quality, age and size must also be met.

At present, we are told, the MPA garrison, estimated at around 2000, could be eating beef from Uruguay or even Turkey, supplied, wrapped, boxed and frozen via UK.

The report is confident that given investment in appropriate breeding, the product from the new abattoir could compete very competitively.



This open drain runs from the abattoir to the harbour Photo FIDC



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Salary is payable at the rate of £909 per month in Grade 3. Interested persons should contact the Chief Fire Officer, Mr Marvin Clarke, to obtain further details of the duties involved.

Application forms are available from the Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat no later than 4.30pm on Wednesday 22nd February 1995

The Secretariat
February 8th 1995.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE justice Department has a vacancy for a Legal/Personal Assistant to provide legal, administrative and secretarial services for the Attorney General and other professional staff in the Chambers.

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For full details of the duties involved please contact the Attorney General's Chambers during normal office hours. Application forms are available from the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat and completed forms should be forwarded to the Chairman, Senior Appointments Board to reach him on or before Friday, 17th February 1995.

The Secretariat
8th February 1995

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE Medical Department requires the services of a part time Chiropodist to work between 4 and 8 hours per week.

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Interested persons should contact the Medical Department Administrator for further details.

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The story of "a very small yacht in very big seas" told by K C Darling

ON the 18th January 1995, 4 intrepid adventurers from RAF Mount Pleasant set off to tackle the notorious South Atlantic Seas.

Our journey commenced from Mare Harbour on the 19.5 foot Dracombe Drifter, *British Freedom*, a small traditional, gaff rigged yacht. Stowage space was obviously at a premium with crew members taking up most of the space. With all the safety equipment and spares aboard, that left room for one small bag each and the essential food and drink: ration packs, fresh fruit and vegetables, including a very large crate of suspicious looking cucumbers. We were obviously not going to die from starvation or catch scurvy.

Our departure into the grey murk of a south westerly force seven was accompanied by a chorus of "You nutters!" from the navy contingent of Mare Harbour. We were Fitzroy bound and the journey was fairly uneventful. The wind although strong was behind us and the rain never quite materialised, although some of the more inexperienced members of the crew were quite concerned about the swell which was running at between 20 and 30 foot high. We arrived at Fitzroy at 4.30 pm, where our first night was spent under a bright red sunset with a very inquisitive seal who appeared to find us very entertaining.

On the 19th January after a very nice breakfast, we set off for Stanley. Although the wind was quite strong, it was favourable and we were travelling quite fast when a Chinook helicopter from 78 Squadron approached. He was also very inquisitive, taking photographs.

When the sun is shining and you're doing 6 knots and a Chinook turns up to take your picture, suspect something is about to go wrong! Sure enough the wind changed direction and increased and the sea became a mass of confused white foam. Yacht speed reduced dramatically and with only 8 miles to Stanley Harbour to go, the ultimate goal of our adventure slipped through our fingers and we had to turn back to Fitzroy.

At 6.45 pm we arrived at Fitzroy Jetty very cold, wet and dejected. It was time for a beer and a change into warm dry clothes, unless like one member of the crew, Jim Doig, you only packed one set of footwear for the whole expedition!

The 20 January brought a nice calm sunny day and some relaxing sailing around Port Fitzroy and Bluff Cove area with the many dolphins that accompanied us. A lesson to remember is never to allow yourself to become complacent; 15 feet from the jetty our

small diesel engine stopped, which resulted in a very rapid hoisting of the sails and Jim being despatched with a boat hook to clear our kelp fouled propeller. After a stressful 5 minutes the engine was successfully restarted and at 6.40 pm we were safely tied up alongside the jetty again.

The 21st January was the skipper's birthday and my present was favourable winds. We decided to set sail for Mare Harbour and left at 8.15 am. We had a roller coaster trip back towards Mare Harbour because of the high winds; 55 knots being recorded that day at Mount Pleasant Airport. To start with the trip was uneventful, then at 11.05 am the most heartstopping part of the adventure occurred when the main nut and bolt holding up the mast separated. Luckily I managed to retrieve the nut before it washed over the side and with two large adjustable spanners tied to the yacht, I immediately climbed on to the front of the boat to fit and retighten the nut. This was achieved successfully but not before I had drunk half of the Atlantic via my hood.

After turning round Fox Point the last few miles to Mare Harbour took us three and a half hours battling into the wind. We celebrated our arrival with a beer and looking forward to a shave and a shower, we were disappointed to find that the buses from Mare Harbour had been cancelled due to the high winds!

Looking back on the trip now I realise how much it widened the horizons of the crew and myself beyond the Mount Pleasant Airport complex. There is a lot more to the Falkland Islands than what can be seen from a land Rover window on the way to Port Stanley. With a more reliable yacht and winds of the normal strength I am sure we could have achieved our ultimate aim and been the second smallest yacht to enter Port Stanley Harbour (the smallest being 18 foot long).

Eddy's woolly pattern, not a shrinker, but a contractor

FIGAS Chief Pilot Eddy Anderson offers this suggestion for a new Falklands sweater: "Another new "woolly" to be produced may be called the "contractor". The pattern will come in a bumper-sized supplement and the theme will be close-knit and cosy."

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Mike gets his gun



Sperm whale skull assembled and mounted by Mike Butcher

FOR YEARS Mike Butcher has been acquiring whale bone skulls to focus attention on the depleted whale population in the world's oceans. What he really needed to complete his display, he felt, was a genuine harpoon gun - and now, thanks to the combined efforts of Government House, the resident Infantry Company stationed at South Georgia, RFA Diligence, and military transport at this end, such a gun was actually delivered to him on Thursday, January 26.

He made his first application six years ago, unsuccessfully, and his second three years later, likewise. Not one to give up easily, Mike applied to Mr. Craig Shelton last April, and met at last with approval and support.

It took quite some time, however. When finally the resident Infantry Company "moved the heavy castings one-third of a mile to King Edward Point, and then onto the RFA Diligence," says Mike, "they probably felt as if they were in training for the Field Gun competition at Earls Court."

Now, with military support to move the harpoon gun ("which was made in 1937 and probably has killed thousands of whales," said Mike) to its new home, and with the concrete for its base having been poured by Gordon Forbes Construction, it is now resplendent amid Mike's other exhibits.

Dornier carries injured to Stanley

FOLLOWING a 13-hour flight from the Filchner German Antarctic base on the Ronne ice shelf, a Dornier 228 aircraft landed at Stanley airport at 11:10 Sunday night, February 5, carrying two injured persons for treatment at KEMH, according to Director of Civil Aviation, Gerald Cheek.

The two patients - one male, one female - were reported to be suffering from hand and arm injuries. They have since been discharged from KEMH, and it is understood that they flew by TriStar for onward flight to Germany last Wednesday.

En route, the Dornier stopped for refueling at the British Rothera base, and the Chilean base on King George Island.

Comprising a mini-museum, the display includes several whaling harpoons, skulls of both sperm and killer whales, an ear bone, and miscellaneous backbones. The 15-foot long sperm whale skull alone required some 2500 hours of work to restore and preserve, plus three months additional work to prepare its base - an intricate system of supports on which plastic and rubber prevent any metal from touching the bone.

Mike is particularly grateful to Mr. Shelton and Major Charles Lane "for bringing the whole thing together."



harpoon whaling gun

Frankie & Sandy in Aberdeen

FRANKIE AND SANDY Davies-Hernandez, whom we last heard of on horseback in Southern Chile are now in Aberdeen where Sandy, who used to work for the Fisheries Department in Stanley, hopes to complete her Masters Degree in Marine Biology by September.

Frankie, meanwhile, is working in the oil industry, on a stand-by oil rig supply ship.

The couple hope one day to return to the Falklands to live.

DIARY OF A FARMER'S CAT by Baldrick Wilkinson

I DON'T mind telling you that I was reluctant to write this today. All cosy in my new box I was, tail wrapped around my nose. Rain lashing down outside, and nothing interesting going on. Well away into the Land of Nod I was, when the Missus came and rudely awoke me. Silly old bat. She's quite capable of writing the news herself - all she's got to do is drag herself away from that blasted knitting machine for a few minutes.

I think the Boss is feeling the same as me about all this woolly business. He keeps muttering to himself and glaring at the Missus - when she's not looking - and all is definitely not well with his world

just now. If she's got any sense (which is doubtful) she'll give the knitting a miss for a while and do a spot of home cooking. That ought to sweeten him up...

Yesterday she was forcibly dragged outdoors for some sheep work, and got well and truly sunburnt in the process. (She started off wearing a large floppy hat - didn't half look a wally, too - but the Boss reckoned it spooked the sheep as they went up the race, so she had to take the thing off.) She was on the drafting gate again, and squawked every time a ewe managed to get through into the lambs' pen, or a lamb made a nifty U-turn in the race. Kept saying it 'wasn't her fault', but I could see

the Boss wasn't convinced. He's not daft, or not all the time anyway.

Talking of daft - there are loads of young birds around the place nowadays, learning to fly and do all the other things that birds do. They sit along the garden fence looking awkward and embarrassed, trying to imitate their parents but not always succeeding. One young chap tried to preen himself just like his Dad was doing, and fell off the fence in the process. I've never seen Whiskas move so fast. One pounce and it was all over - bar the indigestion, no doubt. It'd serve him right, the rotten cradle-snatching creep. Sheesh. Unsporting, I call it. Brings dishonour on us cats, that sort of thing. In any case, those little chaps are more fluff than food. A chap could do his innards a mischief, eating too many little feather dusters... Me, I prefer my birds goose-sized (when I can get 'em, that is. I have to admit to requiring some assistance from the Boss.)

The past few days have brought some interesting visitors, and I was pleased to find that they all knew my name. Nice to be appreciated by someone, I must say. Two of the visitors arrived on motorbikes, and stayed a couple of nights with us. Then another

couple came to look at the settlement, 'cos the lady had lived here when she was a kitten. Very pleasant, she was. Even took some video film of me - much nicer than that photo lady last week, I reckon. Had some taste and judgement....

Yesterday a man arrived to look at some of the sheep here, and helped the Boss and the Missus with some ear-tagging and drenching. (See - I know all the technical terms. Educated, that's me...) I expect this chap regretted having come, as the plane didn't bring him till mid-afternoon, and it was after nine at night when they'd finished. Today the weather turned funny, so he's stuck here for a second night. Poor bloke....

Reckon I'll stop now and sneak back to my box while the Missus is busy knitting. She won't notice if I move slowly. Hope the weather clears up again soon, as there's a shearer coming here soon and the Boss wants to get the ewes shorn. Bet the Missus is hoping for good weather too, otherwise she won't get into town next week for the big knitting jamboree. Now wouldn't that be a shame....

Cheers for now, chaps - Love,

Baldrick

Penpals



We receive many letters from people who are interested in acquiring pen friends from this country. The following is a summary of the information they have provided.

- Mavis Ellis: Housewife, married with one daughter. Interests include reading, music, history, country walking, animals, gardening, collecting costume dolls and foreign travel.
- Stephanie Keith-Miller: Single parent of mature years with a 16 year-old son. Interests include beach walks, conservation, gardening, reading, vegetarian cooking theatre and music.
- Sue Haynes: 36 years old. Looking for a pen friend. Promises to answer all letters.
- Sarah Cooper: 41 years old. Looking for a pen friend. Promises to answer all letters.
- Woody Smith: From Tennessee, married with 2 boys; 4 years old and 4 months old. Interested in short wave radio and collecting recordings of radio stations around the world. Also interested in photography; special subjects - Bald Eagle and the Great Blue Heron.
- Steve Knight: 37, married with 3 sons. Looking for female pen pals between the

ages of 16 and 45. Aiming to get pen friends from all over the world and is specifically looking for one in the Falkland Islands.

7. Elizabeth Laing: 24 years. Interests include music, travelling, swimming and dancing.

8. Jean Moffat: Mid 40's. Interests include reading, music, philately, nature walks and social activities. Looking for a pen pal specifically in South Atlantic.

9. Norman Walwyn: Retired agriculturalist from New Zealand would like to correspond with a Falkland Islander on the natural history and way of life.

10. John Wilson: Self employed lecturer looking for pen pals who work at the BAS scientific bases (or any base) in Antarctica. Interests are worldwide penpals, wildlife and much, much more.

11. Marlon Mohammed: 24 years old, living in the Caribbean. Hobbies include writing to people all over the world, music, travelling, languages, nature etc.

12. Rejoice Dzormeku and Mary Aikens: 23 and 26 years old respectively. From Ghana, West Africa. Keen to form a lasting correspondent.

13. Also from Ghana: Samuela Scott-Sam - 27years Rosemond Acquah - 27years Kizito Yaw Boa-Amponsem - 20years Sabarna Aggrey - 28 years Kingsley Sackey - 23 years Helen Mensah - 26 years

14. Francois Guemy: Frenchman aged 32 years. Hobbies include arts, languages, cats, sea birds, cooking.

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NOTICES

Col, Biggs, Emily
Thanks for a really great holiday. Missing you all.
Love Mum and Dad

Open Studio CLOSED
Alan Stones will not be at home this Sunday 12/2/95

FIODA

will be holding auditions for their next production, the pantomime version of CINDERELLA, on Monday February 13 at 7.00pm in the Stanley Town Hall. Everyone interested in participating should come along to try out for a part. Singing ability is not necessary, and we will adapt the characters to fit your abilities. Anyone unable to attend, but interested in auditioning should contact the producer, Norman Black, as soon as possible.

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Not all the gifts are given on Christmas Day

CHRISTMAS came and went, good for most, better for some.

One of the star horses of recent years on local turf was the pretty mare belonging to Ben Ford - 'Lively Lady' - although regarded by some as a bit of a kicker, she eventually gave her tamer, trainer and main jockey the biggest kick of Christmas to remember when owner Ben Ford made her a present

to Eric Goss five days after stocking hanging night.

Eric was of course more than delighted to accept her in special memory of 'Betsy' and Fanny. 'Lively Lady' is still in stanley trying to win the attention of 'Thyer' but as usual - playing hard to get.

POSTSCRIPT FROM ST. MARY'S

Most of us experience at times how our past wants to drag us down or how we may be afraid of the future. At such times we can make a conscious effort to live in the present; and that means saying No to dark and fearful thoughts about the future.

A wise old man (Francis de Sales) used to help himself deal with his persistent fears by saying the following words at bed time: "Do not fear what may happen tomorrow. The same loving Father who cares for you today, will care for you tomorrow and every day. Either he will shield you from suffering, or he will give you the unfailing strength to bear it.

Be at peace then, and put aside all anxious thoughts and fantasies."

Why spoil the present moment with anxiety? Today is all we've got. The past is gone, and the future is mainly in the mind. Ninety percent of our worries never come to pass anyway. True, we all have to plan for the future, but we can learn to do it without needless anxiety.

Fill your minds with those things that are good and that deserve praise: things that are true, noble, right, pure, lovely, and honourable ... and the God who gives us peace will be with you. (Philippians 4, 8 & 9)

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THE THORNY question of just how much the protection of the Falkland Islands costs the British tax payer was answered in the House of Commons on February 6.

In a written reply to a question posed to the Secretary of State for Defence by Mr Malcolm Bruce MP, from the

The annual cost of Fortress Falklands to UK households

Liberal Democratic Party, Mr Soames replied that the annual cost of the defence of the Falklands had reduced from an immediate post-war high of £637million in 1983 to £67million in 1993-94.

Asked by Mr Bruce to estimate that figure on a per household basis, the figure

given by Mr Soames was an approximate £2.90 per household, per annum.

In contrast, the per household cost of the defence of the United Kingdom, in total some £22,735,585,000 for 1994-95, was estimated at approximately £981.

Chief Executive's UK trip in brief

FALKLANDS Chief Executive, Andrew Gurr, returned to the Falklands from UK on Tuesday and, true to his word, lost no time in speaking about what had been achieved during what had been a very busy trip. The following is a brief summary of some of the topics he covered:

Air Bridge

During discussions with both MOD and a civilian airline operators over the possibility that the air bridge between UK and the Falklands might be provided by a commercial company, Mr Gurr said a number of points had become clear:

1. The difference in accountancy regimes between military and civilian organisations made evaluation of real costs and hence real price forecasting difficult.

2. Any decision to hand over the air bridge to a civilian airline would have to be followed by MOD's standard tendering procedure. However much prior interest any particular airline had shown would not give them any priority, but might give them an edge in their ability to make accurate financial forecasts.

Cable & Wireless

With the cooperation of the RAF, Mr Gurr had been able to secure seats on a southbound Tri-Star to enable Cable and Wireless Regional Directors, Roy Sutton and Rajan Mehta, (respectively in charge of Operations and Finance) to travel to the Falklands this coming Monday to look into the high cost of overseas calls from the Falklands, the Camp telephone system and the new Earth Station.

Banks

Discussions had taken place between Mr Gurr and representatives of two banks that had previously expressed an interest in operating in the Falklands. No arrangements would be entered into which would jeopardise the jobs of local Standard Chartered Bank employees, however.

Yorkshire meat men see a future in Falklands culls

A CHANCE conversation in Uruguay, led Yorkshire abattoir owner, Brit Broadbent, to come to the Falklands last week with long-time friend and meat buyer John Machin to see if what they had heard was true - namely that in the Falklands a highly marketable meat product was being slaughtered only to be thrown away.

After a week long visit, which included visits to as many farms as they could get to on East and West Falklands, meetings with Landholdings and with FIDC, the pair left the Falklands by Aerovias DAP on Friday convinced that the long-standing problem of what to do with old and non-productive wool-producing sheep in the Falklands could be profitably resolved, once we have an abattoir operating to European standards.

In the area of the international meat market which supplies the raw materials for products such as pies, kebabs, sausages and burgers there are only two questions which a producer is asked, said Mr Broadbent: "Is it lean meat?" and "what price is it?"

Having himself skinned out two newly killed culls at Fitzroy, Mr Broadbent is convinced that Falklands farms have a viable product, which has the advantage of being already available and not restricted by import quotas into the British market like the equivalent

product from other countries such as New Zealand and Australia. No alteration of breeding policy would be required.

According to John Machin, who deals in meat from all over the world, there is no other country where marketable meat is being dumped after slaughter as it is in the Falklands. The problem was, he said, in getting Falklands farmers to believe in their interest.

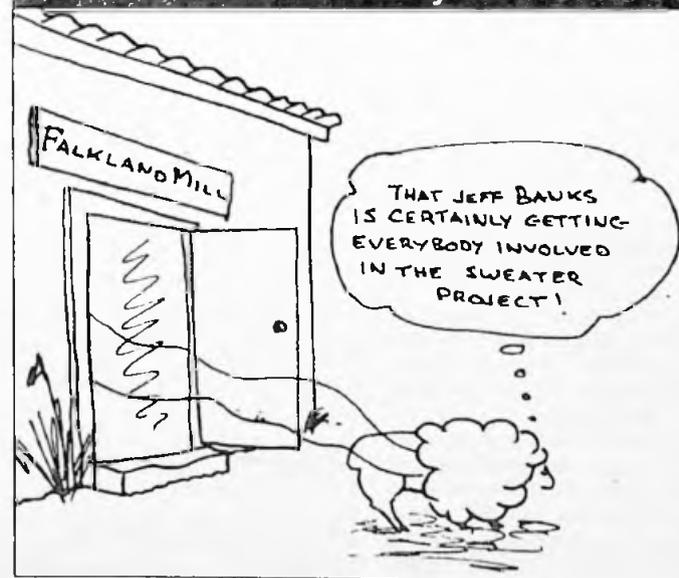
With very little alteration to the present plans for the new abattoir, Brit Broadbent reckoned that it would be able to process up to 500 sheep a day

for 2½ months without interfering with the supply of meat to the local market, in which, he said, he wished no part.

His operation would be seasonal, throughout the shearing season, which would avoid the need for second gathers and ensure that the sheep were in peak condition.

Before export in presently vacant northbound freezer capacity, the sheep would be slaughtered, boned, frozen and boxed, either by seasonally imported extra workers, or, more probably by available local labour including women.

BAANEY'S VIEW by Don R





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Jet Skis - not the only noise pollution

MR. HAWKES' chief complaint against jet-skis seems to be of noise pollution and the effect it may have on the wildlife of Stanley Harbour, and the human population of Stanley.

I suspect that Mr. Hawkes would like jet-skis banned completely; however, any human activity is bound to have some effect on the environment, and, taken to extremes, these arguments could be used against any part of life.

On a quiet night the noise from Stanley Power Station is clearly audible from my house, but I would not use this to argue against electric power supply; a dance or disco in the Town Hall can be heard, but I would not insist we all live in silence.

Should we bar all forms of motorised transport from recreational or non-essential use (no driving the Rover to visit friends, or aeroplane trips for a holiday)

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Our special thanks to Anne, Roger and family for making us so welcome, to Lucinda and Saul, Gina and Garry for inviting us to their weddings, and all hands of friendship extended to us, we thank you all for making it the holiday and experience of a lifetime.

John and Hetty Duncombe

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Public Notice

The Fisheries Department has an immediate vacancy for an Assistant Harbour Control Officer. The Post is temporary and will end in mid June 1995.

Salary ranges from £6096 to £8928 per annum in Grade G0/1. Entry point will be dependent on age and any previous relevant experience.

For full details of the duties involved please contact Mr Clark on 27260 during normal working hours. Application forms and a job description are available from the secretariat. Completed forms should be returned to the Chairman, Appointments Board, Secretariat by 4.30pm on Wednesday, 22nd February 1995.

The Secretariat, Stanley
15 February, 1995

Public notice no: 28/95
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THE FIDC's report on the new abattoir project (see report in last week's edition) comes close to being a model of its kind; it is comprehensive in its scope, it draws lessons from history and has been produced as a result of a prolonged consultative process in which the opinions of interested locals appear to have been given significant weight, along with those of experts from outside. While there are still those, no doubt, who are unconvinced about aspects of the FIDC's proposals - let's hope so or the FIBS phone-in planned for the 23rd will be a dull affair - it would take a very mean and ungenerous heart to find fault with the way they have gone about things - the report has even got colour photographs for those whose eyes get hurt by too much type.

For my own part, I am vastly relieved to find that the planned scale of the project is modest, appropriate to our current requirements and would appear to be sustainable in terms of running costs, even if further markets are not found. As the Falklands has discovered to its cost in the past, there is an understandable tendency in planners and developers to prefer big and expensive projects to small and inexpensive projects, because the former look more impressive on their CVs, when, like cuckoos, they move on, leaving their increasingly demanding babies behind them.

In the early stage of its operation a new abattoir should provide a better environment for its operatives to work in. Sited in another place, with better arrangements for waste disposal, it should remove a considerable amount of pollution from the harbour and by virtue of its design should, it is argued, provide a more humane environment for the animals which pass through it. By reducing the need for time-consuming driving and with the savings in time that a greater degree of mechanisation in the slaughtering process will bring about, more time should be available for butchering, enabling the consumer to purchase meat in more immediately useful portions than the traditional "quarter of mutton". Adequate cold storage and freezer facilities at the abattoir will also enable a wider range of animals to be processed throughout the year and will facilitate the production in the Falklands of pet food, beef burgers, sausages, pork chops and other meat-based products, £100,000 worth of which are currently imported each year.

I have no anxieties about any of the above, nor do I particularly care about what some regard as the negative implications of accepting money from the European Community - they would appear to have spent many more écus than this on far less worthy causes. My fears, such as they are, centre around what happens when the butchery begins to achieve what the report calls "significant exports". When this point is reached, the butchers begin to pay rent for the facility and their running costs begin to escalate as they are forced to begin to run the abattoir to EEC or MOD standards. While FIDC's examples suggest increases in sales revenue which will more than compensate for these increases in running costs (though the figure of £22,000 per annum for Meat Inspector/Veterinary seems unrealistically low) the underlying assumption is that no element of these extra costs will be passed on to the local consumer. Laudable though this ambition may be, once FIDC's financial protection is withdrawn from the butchers, it is difficult to see how they can be forced to charge significantly different prices to different customers for the same product.

A dreadful warning about where we might all be going is provided in the freezers of the NAAFI at MPA, where, if you are crazy enough, you can pick up a pound of what purports to be beef mince, deep frozen and unlovely, for something in the region of £2.30. What worries me about this is not just the price - after all the NAAFI mince has probably already had to travel twice across the Atlantic to arrive at MPA - but also the product itself in its cling-film tent. Goodness knows there is a difference between £2.30 per lb for fairly tasteless beef mince with a tendency to shrivel in the pan because of its high fat content and £1.89 per kilo, which is the West Store price for fresh mutton mince, but even were the prices reversed, I know which I would choose.

I am unashamedly a champion of Falkland Islands mutton and when asked in Britain what I most missed about the Falklands would tend to put it high on my list, as there is in my view nothing available in British butchers' shops to touch it for flavour or versatility. My fear is that if it becomes more profitable for the new abattoir and the farmers that supply it to produce awful beef mince than good mutton mince, that is all we may end up being able to buy. As the FIDC report says, "there will always be some who prefer a product which is full of padding, offal and additives". My worry is that such people - even in the Falklands a growing minority, who will buy that pound of mince in the NAAFI precisely because it is wrapped in plastic - are the ones whose ignorance and fear of real food will ultimately influence the meat producers here as comprehensively as they have done in the UK, where taste in meat has been sacrificed to economy and appearance. Let's save the whale, but not forget the Falkland Islands mutton chop?

Chilean TV team in Falklands



PICTURED above at Government House, where they were dinner guests of Mr Tatham, are a party of Chilean journalists and T.V. people, who recently spent a working week in the Falklands. From the left are Javier Fuica del Campo of the newspaper El Mercurio, Carmen Lopez Moure the presenter of the *Contacto* programme for Chilean TV's Channel 13, together with the rest of the "Contacto" team, José Aguilar and Francisco Cavedes.

Arriving in Stanley on February 3, the group were given an introductory tour of Stanley by Jenny Forrest and taken on a horse-ride into the hills with Maggie Barkman and Diana Roberts, before visiting Pebble Island, Sea Lion Island and Saunders, where bad weather caused them an unexpected overnight stay.

According to Carmen Lopez Moure, who usually works for Channel 13 in Washington DC, the result of the television crew's endeavours over the week will be a piece of only a few minutes duration which will be broadcast shortly after their return to Santiago and a longer film of around 30 minutes, which will be screened sometime in March.

Contacto is a news-magazine programme and apart from simply showing the Falklands to the Chilean viewer, of special interest to the team were the relationship between Chile and the Falklands and the changes which have taken place here since 1982.

The group, which left the Falklands on Friday February 10, were accompanied during their visit by Mariela Vallejos Miranda, the Assistant Information Officer at the British Embassy in Santiago.

Tourists descend on Stanley in droves

TOURISTS as far as the eye could see - and much further - were the keynote when the 20,000 ton, 11-deck Crystal Harmony anchored in Port William for 12 hours last Saturday, February 11, and let loose some 750 passengers in Stanley.

It may well have generated the greatest flurry of tourist activity of any visiting vessel this season, according to Taff Davies, of Sullivan Shipping, the vessel's agents, who arranged the majority of local services.

Fully six coach tours operated by Mike and Cherry Ford - carrying a total of 260 visitors - took in the museum, a stop for tea at either Malvina House or the Upland Goose Hotel, and a ride taking in the bottom of the harbour and nearby areas. Locally trained tour guides accompanied each of the coaches, as well as excursion staff from the ship, who travelled as passengers.

Another 71 visitors took the 6-hour excursion to Volunteer Point in a convoy of 13 landrovers, he reported. FIGAS cooperated with three 1hr. charter flights, taking in Stanley Harbour, Fitzroy, Port Louis, and Volunteer Point. Passengers were limited by the tour arrangers to 5 per flight to enable each to have a window seat.



A casual observer might well have assumed that the town had been taken over by tourists. Private services, including two minibuses operated by Mike and Cherry Ford, and a host of taxis, also accommodated the visitors.

The emphasis was on sightseeing, however; shop sales, to judge by reports from the West Store, were minimal, aside from tourist knickknacks.

From the Air Service point of view, General Manager Vernon Steen pointed out that the charter flights, priced at £475 per hour, in no way inhibited Camp flying because the reservations had been made in ample time to enable arrangements to be made to meet all their commitments. Indeed, he

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Hogg Robinson add 3 ships to their fleet

THREE new vessels will be operating the Hogg Robinson Shipping Liner Services in 1995, commencing with the *MV Arktis Vision*, due to arrive in the Falklands on February 20, at the conclusion of her maiden deep sea voyage, according to a press release issued by Hogg Robinson Transport Ltd. on February 14.

The new boat will be readily identified by the House logo on the funnel and the operator's initials on the vessel, according to the release.

Fred Wood, Line manager for HR's shipping services in the UK, is quoted as saying, "These vessels are ideal for our trade. The design of the hold and the cranes means we achieve an efficient load and discharge, and the electric ventilation system in the hold makes the vessel suitable for carrying cargo that needs to be kept 'aired' during transit, such as wool."

(Following the present voyage, the *Arktis Vision* is scheduled to return to the Islands in the third week in May)



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To enable us to determine the extent of the problem and assist the UK end to rectify this problem we need customers to report all such difficulties, including any calls that have had echo on them.

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Please help us to help you.

Michael Harris, Manager (engineering)

Barron Knights 35th Anniversary Show ...

TAKING a break from their tour 'sha-boom, sha-boom' the Barron Knights celebrated their 35th anniversary in the Falklands with the C.S.E show.

Famous for their satirical approach to the 'pop scene', the Barron Knights continued to delight audiences young and old, the show in the Town Hall on Wednesday 8th being no exception.

Along with comedian Andy Leach and the Silver Fox Dancers, they provided a great night's entertainment. Andy Leach, who boasts such career highlights as performing at Paul McCartney's Christmas party, opened the show with comedy and magic with a little help from his friends, Derek The Raccoon and Billy The Boxer. His Cinderella (or was it Rindicella) song had to be heard to be believed.

He was followed by Natasha Leader and the talented Silver Fox Dancers who provided great entertainment for 'The Boys'.

The highlight of the night was, of course, the Barron Knights, all five of them, who amazed the audience with their unique humour and fantastic singing voices.

After a thoroughly enjoyable show, the audience no doubt left the hall humming and the band packed up their gear ready to travel to Byron Heights and the other mountain sites before finishing their tour of the Falklands at MPA.

Definitely one of the best CSE shows the Falklands has seen, the Barron Knights were well worth going along to watch and let's hope they'll be around for a few more years yet. Report by Rachael Fowler

Junior School Sports



Headmistress, Jean Smith and teacher, Marilyn Grimmer supervise the Beaver v Saunders House Tug-o'-War

HELD for the first time on the Community School playing field, on Saturday, February 11, in pleasant weather, the Junior School Sports featured a number of novelty events which added considerably to the fun of the juniors.

The programme was divided into three sections: a house competition for all the classes, plus a triathlon and a marathon, both of which were voluntary.

In the house competition, each year group had seven races and three tug-o'-wars. Beaver house won, with 54 points; Saunders and Lively scored 44 points each. Saunders were the tug-o'-war champions.

In the triathlon, a three-event competition for boys and girls, the events were running, skipping and stilt walking.

The results: Boys - 1) Evan Jones, 2) Matthew Burnett, 3) Greg Hall

Girls - 1) Charmaine Duncan, 2) Claire Kilmartin, 3) Karen Rozee
In the marathon, which had heavy entries from both boys and girls, the results: Boys - 1) Evan Jones, 2) Sean Jaffray, 3) Toby Poole
Girls - 1) Charmaine Duncan, 2) Claire Kilmartin, 3) Tanzi Jacobsen

During the morning the staff were looking for a boy and girl who really tried hard but didn't win anything. Two were outstanding: Tara Hewitt and John Short.

They both entered everything they could, tried extremely hard, and kept smiling even though they didn't win anything. They were chosen Sports Personalities of the morning.

The staff extend a warm thankyou to all parents who turned up to support the children.

FALKLAND LANDHOLDINGS Ltd

Falklands Landholdings Ltd wish to inform the general public that for insurance reasons the Bodie Creek Bridge has had to be closed to vehicular traffic. Members of the public who wish to travel to North Arm and Walker Creek are asked to use the route via Cobbs Pass and Orqueta. The company regrets any inconvenience caused to the public and would like to announce that work will soon begin on upgrading the Cobbs Pass and Picnic areas in order to ensure that all year round travel to North Arm and Walker Creek will be possible. Those members of the public who wish to visit Bodie Creek Bridge to photograph and walk across its deck are still welcome to do so.

Changes in procedure called for by Coroner

THE INQUEST into the death of Mrs. Annie Alyce Williams aboard MV World Discoverer on January 17, which was opened on February 1 and adjourned pending a post mortem examination to establish the cause of death, was reopened in the Coroner's Court before Coroner Andrew Jones on Friday, February 17.

Copies of the autopsy report were supplied both to the Senior Medical Officer, Dr. Roger Diggle, and the World Discoverer's doctor, Robert Ferguson. Both accepted and endorsed the report, which established, in medical terms, that Mrs. Williams had died of a heart attack.

The Coroner then summarised in detail how Mrs. Williams and her husband, Eugene, had left their home in New Mexico, USA and boarded the World Discoverer in Ushuaia for an Antarctic cruise on January 15, Mrs. Williams having rejected a recommendation by the ship's doctor, Dr. Robert Ferguson, who they met in Santiago Chile, that she visit a hospital there for a checkup. Mrs. Williams, a diabetic, had been suffering sporadically from nausea and vomiting before embarking on the cruise vessel. For two days, while the ship was tossed violently in the Drake Passage, Mrs. Williams appeared poorly but holding her own; however, on the afternoon of January 17, while her husband of 45 years was at her bedside, her

condition suddenly deteriorated, and despite the prompt response of Dr. Ferguson to an urgent call from Mr. Williams, she died.

Testifying at the first hearing, Drs. Diggle and Ferguson testified that they could not state definitely the cause of death. When Dr. Ferguson was asked by the Coroner if he had anything else to say, he added that he wished to state for the record that "Mr. Williams is the bravest man I've ever seen."

Having stated that he was satisfied that Mrs. Williams had died of natural causes, Mr. Jones also paid tribute to Mr. Williams' courage. He added, for the vessel's owners, a recommendation that physical questionnaires completed by intending passengers should be available to the ship's doctor before embarkation (which they were not on this cruise), and that intending passengers over 70 years of age should obtain a certificate from their own doctors as to their fitness for an Antarctic voyage.

Missing travellers found safe and well

ROYAL Falkland Islands Police headquarters had alerts for four missing persons last weekend - all thankfully found with a limited amount of searching.

Notice of three missing travellers - Messrs. Rolf Muller and Mikal Hoppe, both German, and Mr. Williamson, a Dutchman - who had left Goose Green to climb Mount Osborne, was telephoned to the Police at 8:55pm on Saturday night, February 11. Sometime later Mr. Williamson reached Goose Green settlement, but advised that he had become separated from his two German companions. In misty, dark weather, residents at Goose Green launch a general search, and when this failed

to locate the missing men, the Police sent out a search team at 3:30am. An hour and a half later they received word that the missing men had been found, safe and well.

In another phone call received at 8:40am Sunday, the Police were told that George Butler and Sandra Lang, who had left the Estancia on horseback at 6:00pm the previous evening, bound for Fitzroy, in the same misty weather, had not arrived. However, 35 minutes later - before any search arrangements could be made - Police received a call from a serviceman from MPA who reported that George Butler had requested him to send word that they were both all right.

Taiwanese jigger in high seas collision with Korean vessel

WITH gaping holes centre and aft on its port side, the Taiwanese jigger, Shinn-Li, limped into Stanley on Wednesday, February 15, where the Master reported being in collision with a Korean jigger in international waters north of the FICZ, according to Fisheries official John Clark.

In addition to the damage to the hull, 17 jiggering machines had been put out of action. The hole midships gave a clear view to the bridge.

Fisheries officials intercepted the jigger in Port William to assess any risk of pollution, and diver Dave Eynon investigated the extent of damage below the water line. Only when this proved to be nil was the ship allowed to proceed into Stanley Harbour.

Emergency repairs on the vessel had commenced. The decision whether to have the Shinn-Li fully mended in Stanley will be taken by the owners after they have received the official damage report presently being prepared by Marine Surveyor Fred Gooch.



The Governor of the Falkland Islands invites everyone to a Service of Thanksgiving for the Life and Work of the Lord Shackleton, KG, OBE, FRS, PC in Christ Church Cathedral, Stanley at 2.00 pm on Friday 24th February.

During the Service Lord Shackleton's Banner as a Knight of the Garter will be presented by the Hon. Mrs Alexandra Bergel and laid up in the Cathedral in the presence of the Captain and members of the crew of HMS Endurance.

FALKLAND ISLANDS RIFLE ASSOCIATION
1995

Local Bisley Competition Results

THE BISHOPS TROPHY (7 rounds at 900 & 1000 yds.)
1)K. Aldridge, 65 2)M. Pole-Evans, 59, 3) D. Pettersson, 58

1st STAGE CHAMPIONSHIP 7 DOUTHWAITE TROPHY
(7 rounds at 300, 500 & 600 yds.)
1)K. Aldridge, 96 2)C. McCallum, 96, 3)H. Ford, 94

THE B.E. JOHNSON MEMORIAL TROPHY
(7 rounds at 600 & 500yds.)
1)K. Aldridge, 66, 2)W. Gos, 63, 3)H. Ford, 63

2nd STAGE CHAMPIONSHIP & FIC CENTENARY CUP
(10 rounds at 300, 500 & 600 YDS.)
1)C. McCallum, 135, 2)G. Check, 135, 3)T. Pettersson, 134
THE CONSULTATION HANDICAP (Shot in conjunction with
the 2nd Stage) 1)H. Ford, 126 & 4.8 = 130.8; 2)C. Harris, 118 &
9.6 = 127.6 3) W. Goss, 125 & 2.5 = 127.5

FIC HANDICAP (7 rounds at 600, 500 & 300 yds.)
1)S. Whitney, 94 2)K. Aldridge, 93 3)P. Peck 91 & 1.4 = 92.4

GRAND AGGREGATE (Combined scores from the Bishops,
1st stage, B.E. Johnson Memorial & FIC Handicap)
1)K. Aldridge, 320, 2)H. Ford, 301 3)T. McCallum, 300

JUNIOR GRAND AGGREGATE (Combined scores from 1st
Stage, B.E. Johnson Memorial & FIC Handicap)
1)C. McCallum, 248, 2)H. Ford, 244, 3)C. Harris, 237

INDIVIDUAL KNOCKOUT: 1)C. McCallum, 2)T. Courtney
3)H. Ford, 4)D. Pettersson

THE BONNER MEMORIAL TROPHY TEAM SHOOT
(7 rounds at 300, 500 & 600 yds.)
1st K. Aldridge, Capt., 99, M. Pole-Evans, 95, C. Harris, 92, P. Peck, 89, Total: 373
2nd C. McCallum, Capt., 96, S. Whitney, 91, D. Pettersson, 91, T.
Courtney, 86, Total: 364
NRA MEDAL (Best score in the team shoot) K. Aldridge

CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL (15 rounds at 900 & 1000 yds. plus
scores carried forward from the 2nd stage) 1)T. McCallum, 131
& 134 = 265, 2)K. Aldridge, 131 & 127 = 258, 3)T. Pettersson, 123
& 134 = 257.

CONSORTIUM CUP (15 rounds at 900 & 1000 yds.)
1)C. Harris, 124 & 7.8 = 131.8, 2)H. Ford, 126 & 4.8 = 130.8, 3)
P. Peck 120 & 3.0 = 123

THE 300 YARD AGGREGATE (Prize presented by Mr. H.
Ford)
1)I. McLeod, 138 with 13 v's, 2)S. Whitney, 138 with 7 v's.

The weather was damp, windy and cool with little sunshine.
The standard of shooting was high, with 4 scores of 34 and 11
scores of 33 out of a possible of 35. 373 in the team shoot seems
to be the highest on record.

There was keen competition, with two tie shoots. In the B.E.
Johnson Memorial Trophy only 4 points separated 12 competi-
tors, and in the Bishops 7 competitors were within 4 points of one
another. Of the 8 who qualified for the final, 2 were on 135 and
3 on 134.

Chris Harris, who only joined the Club in November, 1994,
had a good Bisley meeting, winning the Consortium Cup, and
scoring 34 at 600 yds. in the team shoot. He also featured on the
prize list not less than 4 times.

Harry Ford, who joined the Club in November, 1952, is its
senior member. He also had a good meeting, appearing on the
prize list some 9 times.

On leaving the firing point at 600 yds. in the FIC Handicap,
one competitor was heard to mutter, "6 bulls and a soandso
outer" (7 bulls being a possible.)

It must be said that the markers did a good job over the three
days in the butts; sometimes in wet, and mostly windy condi-
tions.

Pat Peck, Chairman Rifle Association



"Either bulls orouters" complains Ian McLeod



Keen eyes, steady hands and tattered hats at local Bisley

FOLLOWERS of the international sporting scene prior to 1982 could be excused ignorance of the Falkland Islands, unless, by chance, they were interested in rifle shooting, which is the only sport in which the Falklands has consistently been represented overseas since 1928.

The Falkland Islands Rifle Association is without doubt the oldest sporting body in the Islands; its roots and its records going back to the 19th Century. The twenty or so members of the association who gathered at the Rookery Bay Range over the past two weekends to participate in the Annual Prize Meeting, run under Bisley rules, were taking part in a tradition which first began on March 13 1894, according to Stan Smith's introduction to his history of the Association, though he identifies the 1929 Local Bisley as the real forerunner of today's competition.

On that occasion 54 marksmen took part including the Governor of the day, Arnold Hodson, and the Penguin, our illustrious predecessor, reported, "flags of all shapes and colours added gaiety to the surroundings and tended to counteract the depressing effects of the bitter gale which was blowing accompanied at times by squalls of rain. Tents and a large marquee had been erected for the convenience of the shooters and gave a home-like appearance to the bleak moorlands".

There were no tents and only a few flags on view these last two weekends for the Local Bisley, though the weather was better and the warmth of the members welcome and enthusiasm made up for the lack of shelter.

Not only is this a competition run according to rules originating from Bisley Camp in Surrey, the mecca of British and world rifle-shooting, but also there was in the appearance of some of the competitors a reminder of another press extract from 1964, probably from the Monthly Review, and entitled "Our Boys at Bisley", which ran, "...nobody's status is distinguishable, for tattered hats, vintage clothing thickly padded at elbow and shoulder, is the dress order of the day. Hairy legs wave in the air..."

One of the mysteries of Falklands rifle shooting must be, not why do they do it, because that soon becomes obvious - shooting is not the solitary affair one might think, but a good natured and social business - but how do they manage to keep wives and girlfriends, (or even husbands because this is by no means an exclusively male reserve) from binning treasured but tattered hats and jackets, which have clearly served their owners well over many seasons.

Another mystery is why this Association, which has done so much over the years to keep the name and pride of the Falklands alive overseas, should find it so difficult (with the honourable exception of the FIC) to find sponsors.

With a competition rifle starting at anything upwards of £800 and shooting jackets starting around £80, rifle shooting is not a cheap sport, but as the example of Harry Ford shows, you can keep on going for forty or so years and still be among the prizewinners.

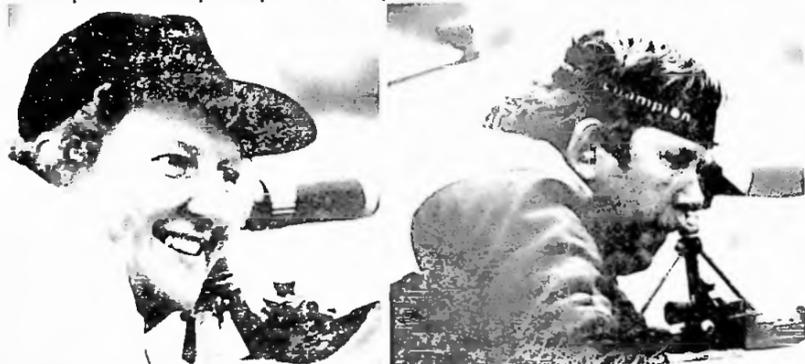
The Association has four rifles to loan to beginners and would welcome new members to carry on its proud tradition.



From top, Ken Aldridge, Gerald Cheek and Harry Ford model some hat ideas worthy of the Clothes Show!



Line-up for the Championship Final at 900 yds



Susan Whitney

Chris McCallum



Hats versus bareheads?



Harry Ford's battle honours, worn with pride on his jacket.



The mystery of the boxes revealed - essential for ammo, scorecards and the odd sandwich.



Eric's walls bring people together.....

THERE was a convivial gathering in the Malvina House Hotel on Tuesday night to enable those who had been on his dry stone walling courses to say goodbye to master craftsman, Eric Greenwood and to collect their certificates.

Eric, who now lives in Burnley Lancashire, but hails originally from Todmorden in Yorkshire, was invited to the Falklands by Brook Harcastle, who read about him in a craft magazine.

The primary purpose of the visit was the repair of the stone corral at Darwin and the principal sponsor was the FIC, who own it, but at the suggestion of FIDC, who, with the Falklands National Trust also contributed to the cost of flights and other expenses, Eric held two courses in stone walling at Darwin, which attracted eight students each.

The warmth and good nature

of Tuesday evening's gathering was a good indication that besides learning much about this ancient craft, both groups, which included men and women and encompassed a wide spectrum of Falklands society, had had a very enjoyable time - even if Dr. Barry Elsby was singled out for constantly moaning about his blisters.

After five minutes in Eric's company, it was not difficult to tell why the experience had been so enjoyable: he is a natural communicator of his great enthusiasm in the mould of Fred Dibnah of TV fame.

Eric, who now lectures extensively on stone walling and is involved in many country-side conservation schemes in Britain came into the craft as a natural part of the life of a hill farmer on either side of the English Pennines, but is only comparatively recently that



Jackie Draycott & Terry Spruce, successful bidders for Eric's walls craft and a need for his skills as a trainer.

Twelve years ago, when Eric was running a farm and dairy in Lancashire, he fell into a diabetic coma and on recovery was told that he would never work again. Clearly whoever told Eric that did not know him very well, because as his condition stabilized, he joined a conservation group and found that there was a call for a revival of the dry stone waller's

..... and his knowledge may have solved a New Island mystery



The two contenders:
Above: Scott Cottage, which Eric Greenwood is convinced was started by the marooned Captain Barnard.
Below: the large stone building at the end of the harbour. Was it either or neither?



"I told the men that as it was not probable that any vessel would arrive this season, and as winter was approaching, it was advisable for us to go to work and finish our house. This was cheerfully assented to: we worked with so much cheerfulness, and so faithfully, that in three days we completed the walls; which were from three to four feet thick, and five in height. But we had the most difficult part yet to accomplish, which was to make the roof, as we had not yet been able to procure driftwood enough for the rafters..."

Extract from "Marooned" by Captain Charles H Barnard

CAPTAIN BARNARD's account of his marooning in the Falkland's in 1812 is one of the great adventure tales of these islands and is fascinating for many reasons, not least in that the location of the house or shelter that he and his four companions made on New Island has never been conclusively determined.

In recent years, claims have been made that the large stone building, close to the beach at the northern end of South Harbour was Barnard's house, while others, including part-owner of New Island, Tony Chater, have tended to believe that the dwelling referred to was at an as yet undiscovered site, probably in Ship Harbour.

Now visiting stone wall expert Eric Greenwood has thrown the

cat among the pigeons by suggesting that Barnard's house was, in fact, the basis for Scott's Cottage, now uninhabited, which no one previously appears to have considered a possibility.

To Eric, however, it was obvious, even before he was able to go to Barnard's account for corroboration of its dimensions and to find the answer in Barnard's account of a later extension to one or two points that had puzzled him.

In Eric's view, Scott cottage, originally resembled the traditional "black house" design of the Shetlands, being a low building, with small slit-like "windholes" below the eaves and perhaps a hole in the roof to allow smoke to escape. In this form, says Eric, there would have been nothing in its construction which could not have been achieved by men with their bare hands.

The larger building at the end of the harbour, was, according to Eric, "the sort of thing you would only build once you were settled" and in a "daft" exposed place for a house. It had no water supply and would, he thought, have been beyond the abilities of Barnard and his few men, ill-equipped as they were.

Having had, as he called it, "a bit of a poke about", Eric is convinced that Scott Cottage, which was, he says, extensively refurbished in the 1880's, is the original article. "It's all there to see in the stones", he says.

A Loch Ness marvel

"THE LOCHNESS MARVEL" is the title of a colourful update on the doings of Don and Margaret Davidson which appeared in the January edition of "The Gardener".

The Davidsons, who spent many years in the Falklands, were pioneer market gardeners on West Point Island, before starting the guest house and restaurant which is now the Malvina House Hotel. Friends and acquaintances of the family, who left the Falklands with their three children in 1983, will be interested to know that they bought a "near-derelict" caravan site, formerly a small nursery, in Abriachan, not far from Inverness, and proceeded to transform it into, what is now, a horticultural marvel.

Those who remember the years when Don and Margaret had acres under cultivation at West Point, supplying numerous tourist vessels, will not be surprised to hear that they have made a specialty of organic gardening.

"When we first came to Scotland and had to eat vegetables from the supermarket I couldn't believe the difference in taste," Margaret is quoted in the "Gardener" article, "so we were back to growing our own. We garden totally organically here and are somewhat bemused by people who think that this is 'new wave' gardening - we've been doing it for years!"

Rich with colour photographs,

which depict gravel paths and mountain-side steps intersecting patches of herbaceous plants and more conventional flowers such as primulas, azaleas and pteris, ("happy in the acid, peaty soil") the article describes how Don has moved the smaller boulders and adapted the larger ones "to provide retaining walls" for a variety of beds along twisting paths, "revealing a different vista at every turn."

There is also mention of a large boulder, "reputedly dating back to the eleventh century," which is all that remains of St. Colombo's cell. According to legend, its central hole will never run out of water, but, the article adds wryly, "The Davidson's dog... is doing his best to drink the legend dry!"

However, it adds that she would not consider putting a plant in the hole, saying "Oh Lord no, I will have a go at planting anywhere, but definitely not there. I'm a great believer in the magic of old folklore."

Islanders may recall that the Davidson's oldest child, Elizabeth, visited the Falklands briefly last year, before enrolling in her first year at Edinburgh University reading English, Psychology and French. Hamish, her younger brother, is attending Aberdeen University, reading Biology and Ecology. The youngest, Catherine, is threading her way through sec-



Don and Margaret in their garden at Abriachan

ondary education before, apparently, proceeding along the same path.

"We are isolated here," Margaret is quoted. "People have

to make a very special journey to visit us and our catchment area is very small. It's not like gardening close to London.... wealthy we shall never be!"

Community Classes For classes beginning Mon 27 Feb, 1995

MONDAY

- Abacus Training 5.00-6.00pm Marion Purvis - Business Studies room
- Word Processign, Desk Top Publishing, Spreadsheet, Information Technology and Business Studies (theory and practice) 6.00-7.30pm Alan Purvis - Business Studies room
- Mathematics for beginners to GCSE. Pre 'A' level and IGCSE Additional Maths 6.00-7.30pm Alan Purvis - Maths room
- Spanish for beginners 6.30-8.00pm Jaime Correa - Spanish room
- Biology for 'A' level 3.00-4.00 Joyce Shorrock - Biology Lab

TUESDAY

- Art 'come and discover you hidden talents' 5.00-6.30pm Tim Simpson - Art room
- Spanish - Level II 6.30-8.00pm Jaime Correa - Spanish room
- Woodwork 6.30-8.30pm Martin Cant - Workshop

WEDNESDAY

- Biology for 'A' level 3.00-4.00pm Joyce Shorrock - Biology Lab
- Spanish - Level II 6.30-8.00pm Jaime Correa - Spanish room
- English up to GCSE level 6.00-7.30pm Veronica Fowler - English room

Please enrol by phoning Maria on 27290 ASAP as we need a minimum of four paid up students before a class can run.

Charges: Courses run for 10 weeks and cost £25.00 for the 1½ hr classes and £30.00 for the 2hr classes.

For further information, ideas for new classes, or if you would like to be a tutor contact Phil Middleton the Community Education Officer. Other classes will run if there is sufficient interest. Dates and times to be arranged

Sea Scouts locate Exeter grave

OVER 55 years after his death aboard HMS Exeter during the Battle of the River Plate on December 17, 1939, the grave of Chief Petty Officer R.F. Powton has been identified in Stanley cemetery and a wreath laid upon it by his shipmate and veteran of the same battle, former Royal Marine Lieutenant Aidan Toase.

A search for the grave of CPO Powton, a Royal Navy cook, was instituted by the Sea Cadets after the Governor received a letter from his niece, Miss E. Pellow, enquiring whether his body had been buried in Stanley cemetery, and if so, if she could have a photograph of the grave.

On Wednesday afternoon, February 8, in brilliant sunshine which suddenly replaced the dark skies and rain which had prevailed previously, a brief service, comprising primarily the Naval prayer, by Canon Palmer preceded the wreath-laying. The ceremony was attended by Civil/Mil Liaison Officer, Major Charles Lane, Norman Plumb and wreath-bearer Marine Cadet Alex Lang, plus a visitor - Ms. Olga Thomson, Chairman of the Sea Cadets of Newton-Le-Williams in the U.K.

Asked what he could recall of the battle, Mr. Toase found it difficult to summon up details, wryly likening it to resurrecting "the memories of a drunken evening." However, he did recall Marine

Russell, with part of his arm shot off, rallying the younger men to carry on with the fight. Marine Russell later died of his wounds in Stanley.

HMS Dumbarton returns to UK

ON THE occasion of the departure of HMS Dumbarton Castle from the Falkland Islands, HE Governor Tatham expressed appreciation to its Captain, Lt. Cdr. Martin Flanagan, for the ship's many services during its tour in these waters.

Before a group of invited guests at Government House, on February 6, Governor Tatham presented Lt. Cdr. Flanagan with a Falkland Islands flag and a copy of Tony Chater's picture volume, "The Falklands."

Acknowledging the gifts, the Captain spoke warmly of how he and his crew had enjoyed their time here.

A press release from Government House noted that "Dumbarton Castle has been the patrol vessel around the Islands since September, 1991. She also took part in the 1982 conflict.

"She will be replaced by HMS Leeds Castle as Falkland Islands patrol vessel."

DIARY OF A FARMER'S CAT by Baldrick Wilkinson

It's fittin' to have the Missus "knittin' for Britain"

BLIMEY, things are getting busy out here. It's positively essential for a chap's well-being to stay out of the way, out of trouble, out of the house and - most importantly - out of the Boss's sight...

It's all the fault of the Missus. I mean there's the poor old Boss busy with shearing (we've got that nice friendly chap again, so us cats do get some kind words, but believe me even those are few and far between just now). And what is the Missus doing, you may well ask? Is she helping the poor old sod with the wool work now and then, providing splendid meals, providing support and encouragement and cooling his fevered brow? Is she hell...

He's out there in the shed, trying to keep up with the wool while also filling pens, pressing fleeces and trying to remember to put the Smoko kettle on to boil at the right time. Meanwhile she's in the kitchen, firmly attached to that blasted knitting machine and churning out all kinds of weird and wonderful - ummm - well, I dunno what they're supposed to be, but I

guess she does. Wool everywhere, there is. Makes me sneeze, it does. All that knitting doesn't half make her ratty, too. She mutters away to herself, and each time something goes wrong - which is quite often - there's a lot of bad language of a kind that a well brought up cat shouldn't be exposed to. I'll be glad when she goes into town for that knitting jamboree - a 'Clothes Show' she says it is, though don't ask me what one of them is when it's at home. Who needs clothes anyway? Give me a good fur coat any day. Guaranteed to fit, and no shrinkage in the wash...

When there's a meal due the Missus suddenly realises, panics, and tries to get everything ready in a rush. She ought to know by now that it doesn't pay to leave things to the last minute. She gets in more of a flapdoodle than those dratted hens of hers. Good job the shearer is a laid-back sort of fellow, despite being really fast. (He tallied 365 ewes yesterday - that's an awful lot of cats' dinners.) The Boss is far from being laid-back - in fact, his temper is shortening

visibly by the minute. Which is why a cat does well to make himself scarce before the Boss is due back in the house after each spell of shearing...

Last night things turned from bad to worse when the elderly fridge (the one the Missus got in exchange for giving Whiskas and Manxie a home) decided to defrost itself. I didn't actually see what followed, being safely outdoors at the time, but heard it all loud and clear nonetheless. The Missus nearly went into orbit when she found her sausage rolls afloat, and the so-called 'drip' tray doing rather more than drip...

The Boss took over the mopping-up operation, being a big softy despite his tough exterior - but left the sponge in the freezer compartment when he'd finished. The fridge promptly switched itself into full throttle, freezing the sponge to the floor of the compartment. As it was a fancy new sponge that the Missus had just bought, machine-washable apparently, she wasn't too happy about it. Ungrateful old bag, she can be...

Anyway, it's just a matter of hours before the Boss and us cats are left in peace while the old dragon goes and knits herself silly in town. (Look out, town - you won't know what's hit you.) I can't wait to see her clamber into the Islander, complete with bags and baggage. And knitting machine, I wouldn't wonder.

Yeehah, Geronimo and jolly hockey-sticks, I say. And don't hurry back...

A few days later:

Blimey, it's dead around here. No Missus cursing in the kitchen. No damp bits of knitting hanging around to dry. Nothing for the Boss to trip over or rant on about. He's gone all quiet, in fact - even cuddled me today!!!! Sheesh!!!! It's enough to make a chap blush.

I suspect he's actually starting to miss the old girl.

Takes all sorts, is all I can say...

Cheers, chays -

Baldrick

Aches and blisters raise £1,000 for school hostel

BLOWN by westerly winds so strong that the MPA road was first restricted, then closed, for most military personnel, fifty determined walkers braved the elements and the road last Saturday, February 11, to complete a walk which raised an estimated £1,000 for the benefit of the Stanley Hostel.

Starting at 8:00am from Mount Pleasant, in an effort organised by Sgt. Steve Standing of the Ordnance Squadron, MPA, after consultation with Director of Education Phyllis Rendell, 20 men and 4 women started bravely enough on the 35-mile slog to Stanley. All

were Ordnance Squadron personnel, excepting 3 ladies from the NAAFI.

Just over eight hours later, the original walkers, plus groups of Stanley House children who joined them in stages from the half-way point onwards, assembled victoriously at the Bypass-Stanley road junction to record their feat, and then stroll together to the sumptuous tea awaiting them in Stanley House.

The walk had its hazards. One man fell, injuring both hands, and a lady had to drop out abreast of Bluff Cove with badly blistered

feet. Both were driven to the Hospital by Lorraine McGill, Head of Stanley Hostel, but later rejoined the walkers.

Lorraine also transported groups of children from Stanley House to join the walk, starting with 12 intrepid boys and girls who made a rendezvous with the original walkers at about the half-way point. Included among them was Constanze Kuschel, 14 year-old daughter of Chilean MP Sr. Carlos Kuschel (who was among the Chilean Parliamentary delegation who visited Stanley a year ago). Although here for only a month and a half - primarily to study English language and Falkland Islands culture - Constanze insisted on taking part in the walk, continuing until she developed severe blisters, after which she walked and rode intermittently, while refusing treatment. Rounding off the effort, she walked the last tarmac section in bloodstained cotton socks, conclusively refusing those who maintain that the present generation of youngsters have all gone soft.

Matching Constanze's blister ordeal, Leah Hobman, also 14, had to ride part way as well. She

walked the final tarmac stretch barefoot.

Looking back on the effort, Steve Standing was full of admiration for the bravery and spirit of the children who joined the walk and sang on their way in. In all, between adults and children, the total number of aching muscles and blisters on the gruelling walk must have been impressive.

As to the revenue, Steve's preliminary estimate of £1,000 includes £200 raised overseas, half of it from the Hartlepool Old Boys Rugby Club, of which he was once an enthusiastic member. At this end, another £80 came from 4 Senior Warrant Officers of the Ordnance Squadron having their heads shaved for £20 each.

This amount should, it is thought be enough to replace the large video screen at Stanley House, and if this should be the case, any residue would help to meet other hostel needs.

Mrs Rendell told *Penguin News* on Monday that she had issued an open invitation to Ordnance Squadron members to pop into Stanley House for a cuppa, and a chat with the children, whenever they are in town.

AS I SEE IT by Gail Steen

The proposed abattoir - no development without commitment from farmers

YOU KNOW that little nursery rhyme. The one that goes - Three blind mice... dammit, I've forgotten the rest... anyway, that's the one that jingles in the back of my mind sometimes when one committee or another is planning some improvement, or other way of spending public money.

In the beginning, listening to local radio talks, you got the impression that the proposed new abattoir was going to propel farmers into competition with meat markets worldwide. Now the phrase, "sized to serve the local market", with "initially" tacked on somewhere, sort of conjures up a less airy-fairy notion.

Personally, I like the idea of a modern facility, providing better working conditions, improved methods of meat presentation, and presumably, a more conscience-soothing method of killing the animals. But I get that familiar feeling of *deja vu*, especially about what seems to be the preferred location.

Much discussion took place as to where the National Stud Flock should be kept. Did anyone listen carefully enough that time? Apparently not, regardless of expert local opinion. Sea Lion Island was chosen. The objections to that site were fully justified, as indicated in the report following that - fiasco.

Remember what was said at the time - "we will see that such never happens again."

All the argument for the abattoir to be located southeast of Stanley is readily apparent, but hardly visionary. I think a location too close to Stanley could, in the future, be as inhibitive to development as Ajax Bay's distance from Stanley was in the past.

I can't help thinking FIDC could be in a teensy weensy dilemma.

Is there not just a bit of conflict between rural development and urban convenience? Surely, to have rural development you have to move into rural areas?

Perhaps I am naive or too expectant, but is there not a natural link between rural development, agricultural research/training, diversification, the concept of the National Stud Flock within the framework of a Government Farm, and the location of the abattoir?

Phrases like, "essential tool to enable agricultural diversity" - the abattoir being seen as "the key to an integrated agricultural development policy" - and "provided as a vehicle for rural development", are peppered through-

out the report. Which poses the question: if rural development ever happens, it certainly will not be happening southeast of Stanley, so why site the abattoir there?

I certainly would not knock the Market Garden. It is a credit to Tim, Jan, and their staff. If we think of the future positively, it is conceivable that they may need or want to expand to meet increased demand. Where can they expand to in the present location?

Would it not be a natural progression to expand into a developing rural area central to all markets?

I believe I remember reading somewhere that, as the land the market is on is Government land, there could be a "requirement to move" imposed. Mind you, I think Tim and Jan's roots are so firmly embedded that it would probably take an extreme effort to transplant them.

Then again, maybe ideas are bubbling away somewhere and we will end up with two of everything!

If FIDC want us to believe they are serious about rural development, perhaps they should show us that they are thinking more on the wider picture, and extending the thinking beyond least cost.

If a site was identified where many elements for rural development could come together, as in the concept of a Government farm - incorporating all aspects of agricultural development - then steady growth in that area would generate more jobs, encourage business ventures, spread out the population, and entice more immigrants to come.

A programme providing practical proven advice on breeding and pasture improvement, with visual results demonstrating success, could inspire confidence in farmers to diversify. No development in rural areas will happen without commitment from farmers, and they are not going to back anything which they see as some fool venture.

If such a site, more southwest of Stanley, were found, the road network would perhaps at last be fully justified.

At the moment we have two home markets: Stanley, and with a new EEC standard facility, maybe MPA. What separates these markets?

Answer: required meat quality, and about forty miles of road.

If the East-West ferry ever sets sail, where will it dock on East Falkland? Probably the port will be New Haven, which lies

beyond Goose Green.

Presumably live animals could be transported from the west via ferry and road. Why site the facility at one of the furthest points east, when a position more central to Stanley, i.e. MPA, Goose Green, the ferry terminal, and the link roads equally, would make more sense?

Thinking about transporting live animals by road brings to mind the furore going on in the UK about that method, and animal suffering.

The FIDC report highlights the present inhumane conditions, unavoidable because of the limitations of the present facility. Does adopting other methods necessarily rule out animal suffering?

If I were in their hooves, so to speak, I don't think an arduous journey by truck or boat, squashed nose to bun with my nearest and dearest, herded into some holding pen and pastured in dubious ground, would be any more attractive an alternative than present arrangements.

If those statements are voiced to elicit sympathy for the animals by transposing human emotions with animal instinct, it's a pretty poor argument. We are going to kill and eat them anyway, albeit stylishly.

In an ideal world everyone would treat their animals humanely until the day of the final chop! And of course, the majority of people care for and support such ideals.

But unfortunately, the suffering of animals exists in these islands in varying degrees, as it does worldwide, so I would appreciate no hypocrisy on the issue.

There is not much land south-east of Stanley suitable for paddocks; most is minefields and peat bogs. I may be wrong, but, reading between the lines, I don't think the butchers are too impressed with the proposed paddocks. If the demand did increase, the scope to provide extra grazing seems very limited.

Mount William and Moody Brook grazing areas are mentioned as a back-up. Is that not defeating the purpose?

The more I read of the east or west Megabid sites, the more my feeling increased that there was no cohesion in the rural development policy.

We must not forget the environment, either, must we? Most projects these days pay lip service to that aspect. It's a good point scorer, but not usually the

prime mover behind any scheme. The environment is not exclusively Stanley harbour.

As for the facility not leading to price rises - I find that difficult to believe.

If the practise of buying direct from the farmer continues, and unless some radical thinking is adopted, we could end up exactly where we are, except that we would have the best abattoir serving the smallest community, and rural development would be a fairy tale.

However, we do have some highly developed egos around, and for that we should be suitably grateful.

The report of the Inquiry into the National Stud Flock is all one would expect of such eminent people as Brook Hardcastle and James Wood. I think the recommendations are some of the most sensible I've heard for sometime.

The new Abattoir report is an interesting and comprehensive piece of work, and uses a good sales pitch. Read in conjunction with the NSF report, it gives one a glimmer of what could happen in rural development, good and bad.

It will be a great shame if, through lack of foresight, what could really be "the key to an integrated agricultural development policy" turns out to be just a glorified slaughterhouse. I think the location is a key factor.

I have every confidence (you have to, don't you!) that Councillors will consider very carefully, with visionary zeal, the wider picture of rural development, and guide accordingly. After all, they have already demonstrated that they are not prepared to import just any old bull (Executive Council, 26 January, '95).

I suppose any money saved, if an inferior site is used, could be put aside to commission an inquiry into the failure of the abattoir to reach its full potential.

Stabex funding is meant to stimulate agricultural development. Funding the establishment of a Government Farm, inclusive of an abattoir, as envisioned in 1991 by the Department of Agriculture, would meet that criterion.

Well, I can't leave you without one little chuckle...I've just remembered how that rhyme goes:

*Three blind mice, see how they run,
They all run after the Stabex Funds
That's lost somewhere in the EEC,
A blinder bunch you've yet to see
Than those three blind mice.*

It's not? Oh well, not my strong point. Rhymes, that is.



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Happy birthday from
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Jan

Belated birthday
greetings



PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PLANNING ORDINANCE 1991 NOTICE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Notice is hereby given that the following applications for planning
permission have been received:

Ref No	Applicant	Development
100/94/DP	Goodwin Offshore	Erection of ships chandlery and office building on Airport Road (next to Market Garden) - approval of reserved matters following grant of outline permission.
120/93/R95	Eurofishing Ltd.	Renewal of temporary planning permission to use part of ware- house as fish processing plant at Flexiport 1, FIPASS.
6/94/R95	Mrs. WE Luxton	Renewal of temporary planning permission for siting of Portakabin at 15 Fitzroy Road, Stanley.
10/94/R95	Mr. M. Rendell	Renewal of temporary planning permission for siting of reefer con- tainer at the Malvina House Hotel, Ross Road, Stanley.
9/95/BP	Mr. M. Davis	Siting of two containers for stor- age of horse feed on land south of the Airport Road (east of the as- phalt plant).
30/84/R95	Mrs. P. Coulter	Renewal of temporary planning permission to site a container at 9 Fieldhouse Close, Stanley.
10/95/BP	Mr. B.G. Miller	Siting of 20ft. container for stor- age at Plot 51 Lookout industrial Estate, Stanley
45/94/R95	Mr. T. Dobbys	Renewal of temporary planning permission to site a caravan for storage purposes only at Villiers Street, Stanley.

These applications may be inspected during normal office hours at the office of the Secretary to the Planning and Building Commit- tee, Secretariat, Stanley. Comments on the applications should be made in writing and should be sent to the Building Adviser-Planning Officer, Building Control Office, Ross Road, Stanley within 10 days of the date of this notice.

The next meeting of the Planning and Building Committee is due to be held on 2 March 1995 in the Liberation Room of the Secretariat, commencing 1.30 pm. Members of the public may attend to observe the workings of the Committee.

The Secretariat, Stanley
16 February 1995

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POSTSCRIPT FROM THE CATHEDRAL

A GOLF-CRAZY Vicar, after browbeating his congregation about keeping Sundays special - the Lord's day holy - sneaked off to his local golf course on a Sunday af- ternoon, knowing that his flock would not be there.

But heaven is not fooled in such matters and he was spotted on the first tee by the Archangel Gabriel. Gabriel stormed into the Almighty's presence, demanding judgement and retribution for such hypocrisy.

"I have a plan," says the Al- mighty, and he promptly allows the Vicar a hole in one - over 400

yards. "You can't do that," says Gabriel. "Just watch me," says the Almighty, as he coaxes the next shot out of the bunker, across a green, between two trees and straight in to the hole. Gabriel could see the vicar in ecstasy on the golf course and he was furious with God.

"You should be punishing him," he screamed, "not helping him!". "Ah, but I am punishing him," says the Almighty. "How's that?" says Gabriel. "You have just given him the round of his life." "Ah, yes," says the Almighty. "but whom can he tell about it?"

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BAS scientists upset by huskies' deaths in Canada from mystery virus

SIX out of thirteen British huskie dogs, recently shipped from Antarctica to a Canadian town near Hudson Bay, have died of an unknown illness, according to an article in *The Times* of February 24.

The huskies, which had been living among Inuit villagers in northern Quebec, apparently died within days of becoming ill.

Details have been difficult to obtain because so few of the Inuit speak English, the article quotes John Hall, at the BAS Cambridge Office, as saying. The dogs were given multi-shot and rabies jabs. Mr. Hall continued, "but our dogs have never been in contact with anything at all because they have been isolated in Antarctica."

A viral infection may well have been responsible, according to Mr. Hall.

The huskies, which had pulled sleds and been valued companions to the Base personnel, were flown to the Falklands from Rothera Base on February 22, 1994 after the Survey had waged a long but fruitless struggle to retain them. They are descended from dogs which the British took to Antarctica in 1945 to support Operation Tabarin, a mission to monitor German ships which later led to the establishment, first of the Falkland Islands Dependency Survey, and then of the British Antarctic Survey.

With more dogs obtained later from Canada and Greenland, the huskies at one time numbered as

many as one hundred, but had been reduced to 14 by the time they left Antarctica. One of these had to be put down in Stanley because of severe arthritis, before the remaining 13 were taken to Canada.

Misplaced environmental zeal

Veteran Antarctic explorer Sir Vivian Fuchs is quoted as believing that the dogs are victims of misplaced environmental zeal.

"Thus would not have happened if they had been left in Antarctica," he said. "They die of old age there, not infections. It is a great pity."

"I sincerely hope that when some sense comes to the international community, huskies will be allowed back in the future. The problem is some people get the bit between their teeth and make a good cause absurd," the article quotes him as saying.

"An environmental treaty" which bans "alien species" in order to protect seals and wildlife has been at issue. BAS maintains that the huskies were not a threat and should have been exempt from the treaty. However, pressure from Australia and the environmental pressure group Greenpeace forced the Foreign Office to say the dogs had to go. Previously, Australia and Argentina, which also had husky packs in Antarctica, had pulled out their dogs, said the article.

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Huskies in the Falklands last year, en route to new homes in Canada

Crash helmet saves Justin in West Road crash

MAJOR tragedy was narrowly averted on Sunday evening, February 20, when a motorcycle, driven by Justin Knight, was almost in a head-on collision with a landrover driven by Neil Clifton.

As it was, he ricocheted off the driver's side front wing. His parents, Nigel and Shirley Knight, who followed in their landrover approximately four minutes later, found their son unconscious, and bleeding heavily from assorted cuts and a deep gash in his right leg.

"Fortunately he was wearing a crash helmet," said his father, "which probably saved his life."

The accident happened at the peak of a hill approximately two miles from the end of the newly constructed single-lane road, (28 miles from Port Howard) where neither driver could see traffic approaching from the other direction, and where the excellent road surface encourages high speed driving.

Neil and his traveling companion, Shula Smith, promptly borrowed the Knights' vehicle to

drive to the nearby White Rock Construction Camp site. There they made contact with Robin and Heather Smith at Harps Farm, who notified KEMH of the accident.

Emergency services then proved their worth. A mere half-hour after the first call from the hospital, a helicopter piloted by Flight Lieutenant Haydn Williams, with co-pilot Flying Officer Matt Clement, Winch Operator Flight Sergeant Mick Crass, and Winchman Flight Sergeant Pete Joyce was airborne, at 6:50pm, reaching the injured youth half an hour later.

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To Stanley the hard way

BOC Challenge round the world yachtsman, dismasted 200 miles West of Cape Horn is said to be making for the Falklands under a jury rig.

The mast broke seven feet above the deck in a snow flurry, according to *The Times* of Feb. 20

FOUR PAGE CLOTHES SHOW SPECIAL INSIDE



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VOICE OF THE FALKLANDS



MANY of our readers may wonder why so much of this issue is devoted to the visit of BBC TV's, *Clothes Show* to the Falklands. What was so special about what sometimes appeared to be simply a glorified knitting bee, culminating in the sort of fashion parade, which might have been put on by the local Womens' Institute in England or "the Rural" in Scotland, in any one of a thousand village halls? Wasn't it just an opportunity for one or two folk to "strut and fret their hour upon the stage" and then be seen no more?

On one level these comparisons and accusations are apt and on another they are not and if that seems to be a paradox, it is a paradox created by our small numbers, which lies at the heart of our existence in the Falklands. There are many examples of this: we have what we feel are legitimate aspirations to autonomy, (some even towards independence and nationhood) and yet our total population would be lost in the average Saturday afternoon football crowd in Britain; *Penguin News* is on one level a local weekly with a smaller circulation than the *Tolpuddle Gazette*, but also, by default, it is a national paper and is occasionally regarded as such by the rest of the world.

There are maybe not even six people in the Falklands whose principal income is derived from knitting, yet they are the nucleus of what it is hoped will become a national industry. They and the army of volunteer knitters, seamstresses and helpers of one kind or another who became absorbed into the preparations for the *Clothes Show*, were not just putting together a local knitwear display, but helping to create a "national" design with which to launch a national industry. There was a lot at stake and they responded magnificently. The power of television and the personal dynamism, knowledge and downright charisma of Jeff Banks, brought together a bunch of individuals from all over the Islands and from all sectors of our sometimes divided society and welded them into a real community with a common purpose. There was real pride to go with the real blisters at the end of it all on Tuesday night.

So we are small in numbers, but does that mean that we are insignificant? A well-travelled Chilean visitor to the Falklands this week suggested to me that in our absence of extremes of either wealth or poverty, our good general living standard and the absence of major problems of crime and drug abuse, we could serve as a model for the rest of the world. Having been here only a few days, he was already beginning to observe some of the differences between life here and life on the mainland of South America or in Britain and drawing favourable conclusions. We have many such visitors, who come either with an open mind, or in some cases with rather negative preconceptions about what they will find here and go away converted to the view that the Falklands are different and that difference is worth preserving and defending. At the end of a frantic week, during which they must at times have wondered whether they had invested the huge amounts of money involved unwisely, I think it is fair to say that the *Clothes Show* team left here similarly converted and that what will emerge from their efforts will be an enjoyable programme which will tell a positive story about the Falklands and the people who live here.

Unlike many of our other visitors, who go home and perhaps talk only to a few friends and relatives, Jeff Banks will talk about us to 150 million people world-wide, the majority of whom may never before have heard of the Falklands or known where they are. While I hope that commercial benefits for the Falklands wool industry in all its forms may derive from this exercise and reward the hard work of all concerned, such benefits are likely to be just the icing on a public relations cake of monumental proportions. The *Clothes Show* visit was a very worthwhile event, which *Penguin News* is proud to celebrate.

WHILE on the theme of our small size and large aspirations, which makes it hard to find any other community with which we can be compared, I was somewhat amused the other week to read in the *Arran Banner*, the weekly paper of the Scottish Isle of Arran, that they have been having problems with the police.

The whole of Arran would fit into the area of Goose Green farm, yet it has seven main villages and a year round population of about 4,500 people, which swells to about twice that number in summer. Normally the island is policed by four officers, but recently three were removed over their attempts to suppress a case of vehicle removal, which had turned out to involve one of their own number. (Vehicle removal, as opposed to theft, is quite common on Arran where people live on scattered farms, with a terrible bus service and have a tendency to leave their keys in the ignition in case of such emergencies) After this incident, according to the report, Arran was submitted to what many considered to be a period of over heavy police presence from the mainland, "including even traffic cops". Now, although the resident establishment has been increased to a sergeant and four constables, they can't fill the extra post and are back to just four officers again. No crime wave has yet been reported!

YOUR LETTERS.....

write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley

Harbour ideal for all types of water sports

WE live in a democratic and free country which entitles everyone to freedom of speech, but with reference to Robin Hawkes' letter in *Penguin News* of February 11 on Jet Skis, I think "mindless idiots" was an insult.

Jet Skis do cost a lot of money, and jet skiing is a fast growing sport globally. We have an ideal harbour for all types of water sports, so let anyone who wishes to make use of it do so. Steamer ducks and penguins are more likely to be avoided by a smaller vessel. Virtually all sea-going vessels have engines, including yachts, which in calm conditions are no doubt used from time to time. As for the

noise pollution, our harbour has a very small amount of traffic, even at its busiest, so I can't see that it is a great problem. There are many areas around these Islands where wildlife is in abundance, and not even a Mindless Idiot would use a jet ski in and around these vicinities.

Scramble bikes, who goes to work on these? According to Mr. Hawkes, we all do. Please get your facts straight before criticising others, but most importantly, take a long hard look at your own country before judging others.

Cheryl Black, Stanley
(This letter was intended for publication last week)

Local knowledge is 'costless' and not altogether worthless

REF. my letter to *Penguin News*, January 21, 1995 and Councillor Teggart's reply, as Chairperson of the Planning and Building Committee.

1. More Consultants/Experts: Isn't it time that Councillors were honest with the Public and themselves by accepting that, for all the good these people were, they were NOT worth their salt here. They should seriously listen to local knowledge.

Just think how much the Administration would have saved the Islands at the time... for instance, the start of the MPA and North Camp road - and that is only ONE instance. Mrs Teggart's reply fastens onto the 'resurfacing' of the road whereas, for the motorist on that road, it's 'the ditch'. Consultants are not needed to tell us HOW TO FILL A DITCH IN to turn it into a French drain.

Ask the ISLANDERS - their advice is 'local knowledge' and 'costless'. Surely if taxpayers money was to be spent "willy-nilly" as she suggests, then there would be no guarantees required!

2. The 'CABIN' on the Public Jetty. Voluntary information received from the 'Diddle-dee telegraph' stated that the figure she quotes would not even cover the costing from one of the MINOR departments. Come on Wendy, you can do better than that!

* The 'Cabin' is not even parked at the position stipulated in the New Draft Plan. If that was some Islander, they would have to shift it!

* "Constructive criticism" ... you should consult with ALL

Councillors prior to expressing THEIR feelings.

Apologies to the general public that, because our Administration are unable to give us confirmation that our land lease will be renewed NEXT year, the Store and warehouse will NOT BE GETTING ITS FACE-LIFT THIS SEASON.

B. Peck, Philomel Store

It's not what you know ...

Please can anyone explain why it is possible for two Cable & Wireless representatives to travel southbound, immediately, on a TriStar, when Falkland Islands residents have had to wait to return home.

Trish Halmshaw, Stanley

FIRA or FIDFRA?

I REFER to your excellent centre page spread on the Rifle Association. The correct title of the association is the Falkland Islands Defence Force Rifle Association, something which the current membership seem surprisingly reluctant to recognise.

In an effort to attract new younger members the strict "open to FIDF active and retired members only" rule was relaxed. This seems to have been reasonably successful.

Brian Summers
O.C.FIDF

The worlds longest walk



Arthur and Denise Blessitt

ARTHUR and Denise Blessitt will arrive in the Falkland Islands on Monday, March 6 at Stanley Airport on a Lanchile charter flight from Santiago.

They will carry the cross before boarding the ship 'Explorer' and walking in the south Atlantic Islands.

Arthur Blessitt is 53 years old, at the age of 7 he received Jesus

Christ as his personal Savior and Lord of his life. He married Denise in 1990 and she accompanies him now on all his trips.

Arthur says, "I love God and I love people. I try to keep it simple". Speaking of the walk he says "Jesus did it! And it is for the glory of God". "Denise and I are but simple servant followers of Jesus".

Supreme Court reports

IN THE Supreme Court, on Tuesday, February 21, before Chief Justice Sir Dermot Renn Davis, an application by Mr. Robert Stewart for permission to appeal against the length of his sentence was denied.

A SUPREME court hearing, before Chief Justice Sir Dermot Renn Davis, designed to establish the degree of insurance liability resulting from the death by motor accident on the MPA road of Kerena McDonald, on February 7, 1992, was held on Monday and Tuesday, February 20 and 21.

Plaintiff in the case was Mr. Vernon Steen, Executor of Miss. McDonald's estate, and co-Trustee, with Messrs. John McDonald and Derek Howatt, of the Trust Fund established for Miss. McDonald's son, Christopher, age 8. He was represented by Barrister K.S. Kilmartin.

Of the three defendants, the Attorney General, representing the

F.I. Government, was not in Court, as the Government had denied liability because of road conditions. The remaining two defendants, Messrs. Leslie George Clingham (driver of the vehicle), and Andrew Ronald Anderson (owner of the vehicle), who had acknowledged liability, were represented by Miss Penny Parsons, Legal Practitioner, of Ledingham Chalmers.

Under contention were payment for a headstone for Miss. McDonald's grave, and the amount to be paid, for a number of itemised losses, to the Trust Fund for Miss McDonald's son.

A large financial gap separated the two sides.

During the hearing, the Chief Justice advised the litigants that his decision would be forthcoming sometime in the future.

It is understood that once the degree of liability has been established, the likelihood is that the case against the Government will be dropped.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are invited from suitable qualified candidates to fill the short term post of Health and Safety Co-ordinator with the Falkland Islands Government. Appointment will be for a period of six months commencing in early March 1995.

The successful candidate should hold a recognised qualification in Health and Safety. He or she will be responsible to the Chief Executive via the Government Secretary for the co-ordination of health and safety matters within the Falkland Islands Government and will be involved in the preparation of a health and safety policy statement for the Government. A full job description and application form may be obtained from the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat.

Salary will be at the rate of £1,307 per month. Completed application forms should be returned to the Establishments Secretary by 4.30pm on Monday 27th February.

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Public Notice No: 31/95



FALKLAND CONSERVATION

Notice
Falkland Conservation office has moved to the Beauchene Complex

1995 Prize Gardens

BRIGHT - even glowing - and preening themselves shamelessly, six vegetable gardens and six flower gardens awaited the verdicts of two panels of three judges each from the Stanley Horticultural Society on Saturday, February 18.

In the end, the panel of vegetable garden judges, led by Gene Williams, awarded 1st prize to Derek & Sue Howatt, 2nd to Joe King, and 3rd to Bob Valler.

Flower garden judges, under the leadership of Evelyn Poole, awarded 1st prize to Rene Rowlands, 2nd prize to Derek & Sue Howatt, and 3rd prize to Colin Davies.

Commenting on this year's

Hostel Badge Competition



This badge, designed by 14-year-old Luke Hobman, was the winner of the Stanley Hostel Badge Competition.

showing, Evelyn Poole noted that they had had fewer entries than usual, "...but doubtless weather problems had a lot to do with that." "However," she continued, "we thought the entries were very good, really, and were sorry we couldn't give a prize to all of them."

Winners will receive their prizes, for which first prize in both categories is a challenge cup, and the remainder are cash prizes, at the general Horticultural Show prize-giving, scheduled for 6:00pm on the day of the show, March 18. The auction of produce follows one-half hour later. As always, items from camp exhibitors will be carried freight/free by FIGAS.

Commenting on this year's

J.K Kwon

THE death of Captain J.K. Kwon, Kosac representative in the Falklands for the past eight years, has been announced by Argos Fishing Company Ltd.

Known simply as "JK", Captain Kwon was a familiar and well-liked personality in Stanley. A graduate of Busan University in the Fisheries Department, he later served for twenty years as a sea-going fishing captain.

He will be sorely missed by his colleagues and many friends here.

He passed away on February 18, 1995 in hospital in Busan, Korea, age 58. He leaves a wife and three daughters.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Fisheries Department has an immediate vacancy for a temporary Assistant Harbour Control Officer until mid June 1995. The Post would ideally be suited to a school-leaver who would like a job prior to starting college in September.

Salary ranges from £6,516 to £8,928 per annum in Grade G0/1. Entry point will be dependent on age and any previous relevant experience.

For full details of the duties involved please contact Mr Clarke on 27260 during normal working hours. Application forms and a job description are available from the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to the Chairman, Appointments Board, Secretariat by 4.30pm on Tuesday 28th February 1995.

The Secretariat, Stanley
23 February 1995

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Barney's puppets aid a great CAPED fun day



available during his brief visit to the Falklands. 65 year-old Mr. Miller, who originally acquired his cast of puppets at age 15 gave three shows, including Rumpelstiltskin and Beauty and the Beast, to packed and delighted audiences.

Raffle prizes, for which tickets were sold by Connie May and Sylvia Summers, included a bottle of gin, donated by Jean Gurr; a silver-plated serving dish, donated by Graham Bound; 13 dolls, made and dressed by Dot Keenleyside; and a Sunday Family Lunch, offered by Sheila Hadden.

"Guess" items included: the doll's name (supplied by Sylvia Summers, the weight of a cake (given by Albert Sacket) and the number of Smarties in a container (from the staff of KEMH).

Refreshments, in the Refreshment Room, included hot dogs, cakes and biscuits made and sold by Jim and Jean Lewis, and Hulda Stewart.

Events still to come include a radio auction on March 16 (for which John Teggart would welcome contributions), and a dinner-dance on March 25, to which admission will be by ticket only.

Delight on their faces as the children watch Barney Miller's puppets in *Beauty and the Beast* delighted spectators, ranging in age from tots to old-timers, and including HE the Governor and two "Mr. Blobbys" (Candy Blackley and Teresa Clifton), set out on an abbreviated "fun toddle" which wound up at the Town Hall in time for the opening of the various stalls and activities.

Included among these were: the Bouncey Castle, operated by Sharon Davis and Mandy Heathman; the Bottle Stall, supplied and manned by Valerie Tatham and Jean Gurr; the Good-as-New (clothing) stall, manned by Sheila Hadden and other Red Cross members; 2 Treasure Hunts,

A star attraction was Barney Miller's puppet show, opportunely

HOT-DOGGEDLY, and undaunted, young and old from Stanley's population hunched down into their jackets, braved the fierce southerly winds, and made CAPED's Family Fun Day - on Saturday, February 18, a rousing success, amassing a further £1265 toward the purchase of a suitable vehicle for transporting aged and infirm patients (including the wheelchair-bound) to and from the hospital.

Promptly at 1:30pm, two helicopters from 78 Squadron - a Seaking and a Chinook - commenced a flyover, including a Chinook "dance" - after which the

DIARY OF A FALKLANDS CAT by Baldrick Wilkinson

Nephew Earnest cheated off after Clothes Show rejection

Well, the Missus has been away for a few days now. Boy, is it peaceful around here... The Boss scarpereed while the going was good, and is currently living it up at the Sports, which also adds to the tranquility of life (the only human we see is Nextdoor, who comes over to feed the dogs and us cats). The Boss had got pretty sick of the old bag by the time she clambered into the Islander with her assorted bags etc - AND the knitting machine, just as I'd thought. I'm surprised the thing took off with all that junk aboard it. (NB - I'm not classing the Missus as junk - more than my life's worth...)

Soon after the Missus hit town I had a phone call from my young nephew Ernest, who lives in Stanley. He's been in a fizz about this blasted Clothes Show thing since he heard there was going to be a thing called a catwalk... He has ambition, that youngster. Reckons if anyone can do justice to a posh catwalk it's gotta be him. Fancies his chances, and reckons he's bound to get a job advertising catfood on the telly in UK if he can just get himself noticed. He's been practising slinking gracefully for ages now. Personally, I reckon he stands no chance of getting anywhere near the catwalk, a talent scout or even a tin of catfood - what's wrong with mutton anyway - but then again, you never know what will happen in this life. Or in any of our other eight lives, come to that...

While Ernest was on the phone I thought I'd ask him how things were going with the Missus and the other knitters in St. Mary's Hall (I gather that's where the Missus has practically been living for the past few days). He sniggered a bit, recovered himself and told me there were just minutes to go before the Show itself was to be filmed. He'd been enjoying sneaking in and out of the hall to see how things were progressing and it seems everything is hotting up in St Mary's. He's had a ball observing the chaos, had Ernest... He says all the workers in there are going slowly bananas. Machines are refusing to work, punchcards are jamming in machines, ribbers are unridding and essential bits of knitting mysteriously disappearing. There are about six million ends of yarn to be tidied up on the garments already 'finished', and everyone's getting fraught with anxiety. He's seen as many as four people working on one garment, busily sewing in ends and doing their best to make the thing hold together long enough to be paraded up and down the catwalk. (Loves that word, he does.) There was a man handknitting in there too, and he, plus two nuns seemed to be the only people remaining calm amid the general confusion. (These are my words, you understand. Our Ernest isn't too hot on the English language, but I got the gist of what he was saying and am interpreting for you.) I asked him how the Missus

was holding up under the strain, and he enjoyed telling me how she'd thrown a wobbly the day before and stomped out of the hall in tears. Apparently a whole strip of her knitting had disappeared without trace and she'd had to knit some more squares under pressure. Took her nine goes to achieve three squares... (Don't ask me why, but all these sweaters are being made up out of squares, squares and more squares. Talk about making life difficult - no wonder the poor old bat's getting steamed up with it all.)

There must be more to making sweaters than meets the eye. Ernest says there are all kinds of machines in the hall - not just knitting machines but vicious looking beasts called linkers (I know about linkers - the Missus has one, and it's a nasty-tempered brute) - and something large and impressive called a saddle-stitcher. Beats me why they are making saddles when there's so much knitting to be done, but there you go. This Clothes Show business seems to have addled a few brains...

LATER:
Young Ernest phoned in tears. Seems he'd tried to get into the Town Hall, so's he could strut his funky stuff on the catwalk, but had been thrown out unceremoniously not just once but three times by various people. Bounced down the stairs he was, and more than just his ego was bruised. Have those people no feeling? Can they not recognise talent when they see it? And why call that thing a catwalk if they've no intention of letting a feline anywhere near it? Sheesh...

I managed to cheer the poor chap up by asking him how the last minute knitting had turned out... Apparently two sweaters had had to be abandoned, one of which was the Missus's pet project, so she was a bit despondent... Someone had been hairing up and down to the laundry to get the various garments steamed - thought it was only puddings that got steamed - 'cos there wasn't time to get 'em washed and dried. The last complete sweater had reached the models just before the Show started... Some had bits of waste yarn still on them, and a waistcoat had a button stuck on with Selotape. Talk about nip'n'tuck. Ernest had hoped to get into the Hall just to see what happened when the model wearing the waistcoat started to prance around in it, but he was doomed to disappointment.

No doubt the Missus will be home soon, and we won't hear the end of the Clothes Show till the Boss manages to steer her onto another subject. Like cooking, for instance, or Hoovering. There hasn't been a spot of housework done since she first heard about the show...

Anyway, folks, if you see a small black and white cat looking cheeased off and hovering gloomily around the Town Hall, do give him a kind word. Tell him he slinks beautifully and ought to become a model, and he'll be your friend for life...

Cheers, chays -
Love,
Baldrick

West Falkland crash BAS Husky tragedy

(continued)

After emergency treatment from Winchman Joyce, Justin was strapped into one of the new easy-stretchers. Airborne once again, the helicopter deposited Justin at KEM Hospital at 8:20pm, just two hours after notice had first been received of the accident.

According to the youth's father, Nigel Knight, his son suffered a broken left wrist and broken fingers, plus a broken collar bone, a nasty gash on his right leg, and cuts and bruises.

Speaking from his home at Fox Bay, Nigel was heartfelt in his praise of the military help for his son, who will be seventeen on March 1.

"We are extremely grateful to the military helicopter for being so efficient and professional," he said.

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The dogs had been flown to Heathrow on March 15, and on to Boston

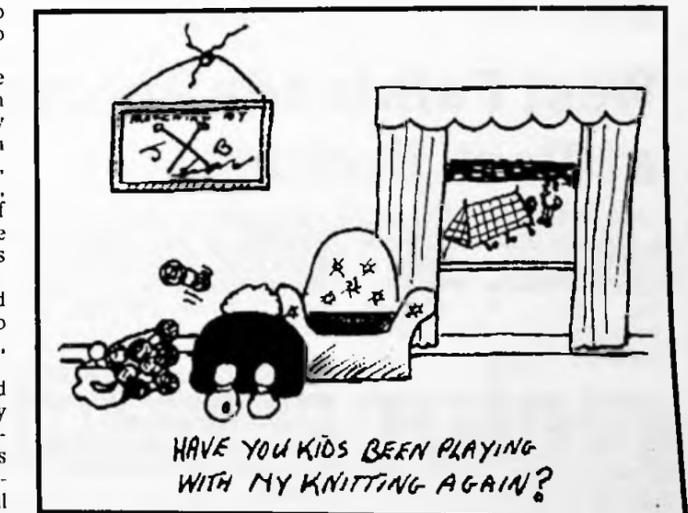
the next day, according to the article. From there they were flown to Montreal in two groups, a few days apart. Of seven animals which made the final journey to Inukjuak, and had been pulling sleds, one, which was pregnant, has died. Of the other group of six dogs, five had died at the time the article was written.

However, Mr. Hall defended the decision to send the huskies to northern Quebec, which, he said, is an excellent area for them.

The Inukjuak villagers are said to have been greatly distressed by the death of the dogs, whose arrival they had greeted "with cheers and sobs of joy," the article reported. Distemper and the arrival

of snowmobiles had eliminated huskies from the scene years ago. The Inuk would like to restore their traditional way of life, said the article, and they had hoped the coming of the dogs would help

that process considerably. Scientists and researchers at Rothera Base, and at BAS' Cambridge headquarters, are also said to be considerably upset at the dogs' deaths.



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Look out for more bargains next week ...

Camp Sports Results

Darwin Harbour Sports Association meeting at North Arm

1. MAIDEN PLATE - 500 yds. (1st prize presented by B. Bernsten; place prizes presented by Len & Jan Clifton, 1st) Desert Dawn, O. Velasquez, 2nd, £24) Quessard, M. Evans, 3rd, £16) Roddy, T. Bonner, 4th, £8) Beauty, J. Butler

2. TROOP HORSES - 600 yds. (Challenge Trophy & Miniature. Prizes presented by Cable & Wireless PLC), 1st, £25) Shekinah, T. Bonner, 2nd, £20) Auspicious, T. Bowles, 3rd, £15) Ocean Traveller, B. Aldridge, 4th, £10) Nebraska, T. McMullen

3. MEN'S 100 yds. foot 1st) T. Bowles, 2nd) C. Lane, 3rd) M. McMullen

4. FITZROY CUP - 700 yds. (Cup & cash presented by the people of Fitzroy), 1st) San Diego, J. McMullen, 2nd) Alegro, M. Evans, 3rd) Quint, Michelle Evans, 4) Chantell, T. Bonner

5. FIB - 500 yds. (Prizes presented by Argos Fishing Company), 1st, £40) Miss Money Penny, R. Binnie, 2nd, £30) Porsche, T. McMullen, 3rd, £20) Dubuti, Serena Sinclair, 4th, £10) Nancy, B. Short

6. JAVA BATTERY CHALLENGE - 300 yds. (1st prize presented by Java Battery; miniature & cash presented by Falklands Landholdings) 1st, £40) Pharlap, Serena Sinclair, 2nd, £30) Nikita, R. Binnie, 3rd, £20) Hot Stuff, O. Summers, 4th, £10) Jump Jet, H. Bonner

7. FIC CHALLENGE CUP - 500 yds. (1st prize presented by the Falkland Islands Company Ltd.) 1st, £25) Dory, T. Bonner, 2nd, £20) Strangler, H. Bonner, 3rd, £15) Slim Dusty, T. Bowles

8. MEN'S 220 yds. foot 1st) M. McMullen, 2nd) C. Lane, 3rd) D. Clarke

9. TURNER DIESEL STAKES 500 yds. (Prizes presented by Turner Diesel), 1st) Ben Nevis, T. McMullen, 2nd) Shekinah, S. Petchey, 3rd) Boadicea, T. Bowles, 4th) Archer, O. Summers

10. TEENAGER'S CHASE 500 yds. (1st prize by R.E. Binnie, 2nd prize by Mr. & Mrs. I. Jaffray, 3rd prize by S. Sinclair) 1st) Crepello, M. McMullen, 2nd) Nebraska, L. McMullen, 3rd) Kaiies, B. Watson.

11. THE SIEVER CUP open - 300 yds. (1st prize presented by S. Morrison) 1st) Croacia, T. Bonner, 2nd) Silencio, H. Bonner, 3rd) Slim Dusty, T. Bowles

12. MARR CHALLENGE TROPHY - 600 yds. (Prizes presented by J. Marr Ltd.) 1st) Nancy, B. Short, 2nd) Sylvester, O. Velasquez, 3rd) Bonita, Serena Sinclair

13. OWNERS UP - 500 yds. (1st prize presented by Michael & Donna Minnell.) 1st) Miss Money Penny, R. Binnie, 2nd) Ben Nevis, T. McMullen, 3rd) Pharlap, B. Aldridge, 4th) Jump Jet, T. Bonner

14. BOWLES TROPHY - 800 yds. (All prizes presented by Mr. & Mrs. W.E. Bowles) 1st) Desert Dawn, O. Velasquez, 2nd) Beauty, J. Butler, 3rd) Roddy, T. Bonner, 4th) Quessard, N. Davis

15. MEN'S ONE MILE - foot 1st) M. McMullen, 2nd) D. Clarke, 3rd) C. Lane

16. GOVERNOR'S CUP - 600 yds. (1st prize presented by H.E. D.E. Tatham, CMG) 1st) Croacia, T. Bonner, 2nd) Dory, H. Bonner, 3rd) Silencio, T. Bowles

17. STANDARD CHARTERED CHASE - 400 yds. (Cash prizes presented by the Standard Chartered Bank PLC) 1st) San Diego, T. McMullen, 2nd) Dubuti, Serena Sinclair, 3rd) Jump Jet, T. Bonner, 4th) Nikita, Michelle Evans.

18. THE NICK TAYLOR MEMORIAL CHALLENGE TROPHY - 700 yds. (Cash prizes presented by the residents of Goose Green/Darwin Harbour and Walker Creek) 1st) Dory, T. Bonner, 2nd) Porsche, J. McMullen, 3rd) Quint, Michelle Evans

19. MEN'S 140 yds. 1st) C. Tapper, 2nd) E. McRae, 3rd) R. McKay

20. NORTH ARM PLATE - 600 yds. (Cash prizes presented by the residents of North Arm) 1st) Miss Money Penny, R. Binnie, 2nd) Alegro, M. Evans, 3rd) Miss Ellie, Michelle Evans, 4th) Ocean Traveller, Serena Sinclair

21. LAFONIA PLATE - 500 yds. (1st prize presented by Mr. & Mrs. N. Davis) 1st) Pharlap, Serena Sinclair, 2nd) Jump Jet, T. Bonner, 3rd) Quint, Michelle Evans, 4th) Ben Nevis, T. McMullen

22. SMYLIES FARM PRIZE - 440 yds. (Prizes presented by Mr. & Mrs. T. Anderson) 1st) Porsche, T. McMullen, 2nd) Nikita, R. Binnie, 3rd) Auspicious, E. Goss, 4th) Boadicea, T. Bowles

23. LADIES 100 yds. foot 1st) D. Butler, 2nd) M. McKay, 3rd) L. McMullen

24. ONE MILE OPEN (Cash prize presented by Mr. K. Grimmer, Challenge Trophy presented by W.D. Morrison) 1st) Silencio, T. Bonner, 2nd) Ocean View, B. Short, 3rd) Limbo, M. Lloyd, 4th) Sudan, W. McKay

25. FIB - 400 yds. (1st prize presented by Mrs. N. Morrison & Mrs. S. Goss) 1st) San Diego, T. McMullen, 2nd) Nikita, Michelle Evans, 3rd) Dubuti, Serena Sinclair, 4th) Hot Stuff, O. Summers

26. LADIES GALLOP - 500 yds. (Prizes presented by FIC Ltd., West Store) 1st) Croacia, Hayley Bonner, 2nd) Shekinah, S. Petchie, 3rd) Miss Ellie, Michelle Evans, 4th) Ocean Traveller, Serena Sinclair

27. CONSOLATION RACE - 400 yds. (1st prize presented by Mr. & Mrs. O.W. Summers) 1st) Cleopatra, H. Boner, 2nd) Magnific, T. Bonner, 3rd) Rambo, B. Short, 4th) Pentopyn Expanze, T. Bowles

28. DOUGLAS HURD'S CHAMPION CUP - 600 yds. (FIG) 1st) Pharlap, Serena Sinclair, 2nd) Miss Money Penny, R. Binnie, 3rd) Porsche, T. McMullen, 4th) Shekinah, T. Bonner

29. MEN'S 880 yds. foot 1st) S. Anderson, 2nd) M. Jones, 3rd) C. Duncan

30. CHAMPION CUP - 700 yds. open (Prizes presented by DHSA) 1st) Croacia, T. Bowles, 2nd) Dory, T. Bonner, 3rd) Silencio, T. Goss.

10. F.I. TAMED - 300 yds. (Prize presented by Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Cockwell) 1st) Quickstep, T. Whitney, 2nd) Sunberry, Sharon Halford, 3rd) Trigger, S. Hansen

11. GOVERNOR'S CUP - 700 yds., F.I. Bred (Cup presented by His Excellency, the Governor, D. Tatham Esq.) 1st) Ensnocce, T. Whitney, 2) Rosalie, D. McPhee, 3rd) Magic, Sharon Halford

12. ROZEE/MARSH CHASE - 500 yds. Jockeys 25 yrs. & under. (Prizes presented by R. Rozee & L. Marsh) 1st) Quickstep, T. Whitney, 2nd) Sunberry, Sarah Halford, 3rd) Misty, D. McPhee

13. PICKTHORN PLATE - 50 yds. (Prizes presented by Mr. & Mrs. S. Bonner & Argos Ltd.) 1st) Magic, Sharon Halford, 2nd) Sinbad, T. Whitney, 3rd) Quiz, Raymond Evans

14. F.I. BRED - 600 yds. Ladies (Prizes presented by F. Smith) 1st) Dusk, T. Evans, 2nd) Sovereign, S. Hansen, 3rd) Redwing, D. Peck

15. F.I. TAMED - 500 yds. (Prize presented by Mrs. O. Evans) 1st) Star Dust, Sharon Halford, 2nd) Rosalie, D. McPhee, 3rd) Smatanka, T. Whitney

16. F.I. BRED - 800 yds. (Prizes presented by Mr. & Mrs. R. Edwards) 1st) Beagle, R. Rozee, 2nd) Shadow, Russell Evans, 3rd) Banner, D. McPhee

17. Deleted

18. F.I. TAMED - 600 yds. (Prizes presented by the Falkland Islands Company Ltd.) 1st) Redwing, D. McPhee, 2nd) Countess, S. Hansen, 3rd) Misty, D. Betts

19. PORT HOWARD STAKES F.I.B. - 600 yds. (Prize presented by the people of Port Howard) 1st) Rosalie, D. McPhee, 2nd) Smatanka, T. Whitney

20. CHILDREN'S GALLOP - 400 yds. Jockeys 25 yrs & under. (Prize presented by Mrs. J. Summers) 1st) Sunberry, Sarah Halford, 2nd) Despatatz, T. Lang

21. LADIES' RACE - 600 yds. Open (Challenge Cup presented by Mr. & Mrs. T.H. Davies) 1st) Sovereign, S. Hansen, 2nd) Sudana, D. Peck, 3rd) Shergah, D. Betts

22. CONSOLATION RACE - 400 yds. (Prizes presented by Mr. & Mrs. I. Hansen) 1st) Natasha, Raymond Evans, 2nd) Unisex, D. Wilkinson, 3rd) Harp, P. Peck

23. CHAMPION RACE F.I.B. - 500 yds. (Prizes presented in memory of Des Peck) 1st) Quickstep, T. Whitney, 2nd) Snow King, M. Davis, 3rd) Stardust, Sharon Halford

24. CHAMPION RACE OPEN - 700 yds. (Prizes presented by the West Falkland Sports Assn.) 1st) Ensnocce, T. Whitney, 2nd) Beagle, F. Dickson, 3rd) Redwing, D. McPhee

CHAMPION JOCKEY (Cup presented by the West Falkland Sports Assn.) Winner - T. Whitney; Runner-up (Prize presented by Mr. & Mrs. Neil Ford) - Denise McPhee; Overall Winner under 25 (Shield presented by William Morrison & family) - T. Whitney

DOG TRIALS Open. (The Tom Aldridge Memorial Challenge Shield. Second & third prizes presented by Les Morrison & Stuart Alazia. Fourth prize presented by Mr. and Mrs. I. Hansen) 1st) Hawk, R. Evans, 2nd) Toyah, R. McKay, 3rd) Ace, L. Morrison, 4th) Craig, S. Hansen

DOG TRIALS Novice. (First prize presented by Mr. W. Goodwin. Second & third prizes presented by Lena Morrison & Christine McKay) 1st) Ace, L. Morrison, 2nd) Biffo, R. Smith, 3rd) Boy, J. Forster

NOVICE DOG HANDLER (Prize presented by Mr. L. Morrison) - Winner, R. Murphy.

SHEEP SHEARING (The Murray Jack Trophy. 2nd, 3rd, & 4th prizes presented by Falkland Hydrocarbon Ltd.) 1st) Peter McKay, 2nd) Leon Marsh, 3rd) Steven Dickson, 4th) Roy Smith

BEST PEN OF SHEEP (Prize presented by Mr. L.G. Blake. Trophy presented by Patrick Bernsten) - Winner, Roy Smith

NOVICES HEARING (Prize presented for first year competitors by Mr. & Mrs. Jen Harvey) Winner, Rupert Anderson

GO-CART RACING - Men. 1st) Kevin Clifton, 2nd) Ron Rozee, 3rd) Alex Blake

GO-CART RACING - Ladies. 1st) Ellen Davis, 2nd) Sacha Hobman

Shelley Nightingale, for WFSA, advises that:

"Contrary to rumour, all people on the West were happy to see all visitors and horses at the Sports. They hope they will be back next year. "The Consolation Race has now become the most popular and hard-fought race of the meeting, with jockeys giving up prizes in order to compete!!!"

West Falklands Sports Association meeting at Port Howard

SPORTS MEETING RESULTS
1. MAIDEN PLATE F.I. BRED - 600 yds. (Prizes presented in memory of Douglas Pole-Evans) 1st) Magic, S. Halford, 2) Emmylou, S. Hansen, 3) Desert Shadow, R. Rozee

2. OPEN - 600 yds. (Prizes presented by Mr. & Mrs. B. Betts) 1st) Snow King, T. Whitney, 2nd) Sunberry, Sharon Halford, 3rd) Redwing, D. McPhee

3. F.I. TAMED - 500 yds. Jockeys under 25 yrs. (Prizes presented by Mr. & Mrs. B. McKay) 1st) Quickstep, T. Whitney, 2nd) Dusk, T. Evans, 3rd) Misty, D. McPhee

4. PEBBLE PLATE F.I. BRED - 600 yds. (Prizes presented by the people of Pebble Island) 1st) Rosalie, D. McPhee, 2nd) Asti, R. Rozee, 3rd) Smatanka, T. Whitney

5. F.I. TAMED - 800 yds. (Prizes presented by Mr. A.H. Ford) 1st) Ensnocce, T. Whitney, 2nd) Beagle, R. Rozee, 3rd) Banner, D. McPhee

6. OPEN RACE - 600 yds. (Prizes presented by the Port Stephens Co-op) 1st) Redwing, D. McPhee, 2nd) Shadow, Raymond Evans, 3rd) Sinbad, T. Whitney

7. F.I. BRED - 500 yds. (Prize presented by Mr. & Mrs. W.R. Luxton) 1st) Snow King - T. Whitney, 2nd) Sovereign, S. Hansen, 3rd) Deep Dale, F. Dickson

8. Deleted

9. LADIES' RACE OPEN - 400 yds. (Prize presented by Mr. & Mrs. L.G. Blake) 1st) Star Dust, Sharon Halford, 2nd) Dusk, T. Evans, 3rd) Beagle, F. Dickson

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Original concept by Jeff Banks, produced by the knitters of the Falklands and shown to the world on BBC TV's Clothes Show, March 12 1995

Not a seven days wonder

On the left: The Dream

On the evening of Tuesday, February 14, fresh off the TriStar, Jeff Banks, fashion guru and presenter of BBC TV's Clothes Show, introduced his small production team to a small group of knitters, craftspeople and others in St. Mary's Hall and unveiled his suggested design for a Falklands National Sweater. For all but a handful of his audience, this was the first viewing of an idea, which they were going to take up and run with in the week to come.



On the right: The Dream Realised

On the evening of Tuesday, February 21, a mere seven days later, Jeff Banks introduced the Falklands first ever catwalk fashion show, featuring no less than 29 locally produced sweaters in around 9 style variations, some completed only minutes before being modelled. The models, themselves, all 17 of them, either locals or from HM's Forces in the Falklands, had only been chosen on Saturday after a gruelling afternoon of auditions.

It had been a hectic week for all concerned; as Jeff said "we've been sending out sweaters in cardboard boxes and carrying out knitters in wooden ones". The results looked great!



but a wonderful seven days



A WEEK WITH BBC T.V.'S CLOTHES SHOW

DAY ONE - STANLEY
 Jeff Banks and his team meet a small number of knitters than expected in St Mary's Hall. The prototype *Falklander* design is shown and accepted. Although he shows no sign of it, Jeff later admits to great doubts at this point, whether enough sweaters can be produced for a show. BBC team go to bed somewhat gloomy, as no doubt does FIDC's Ian Dempster.

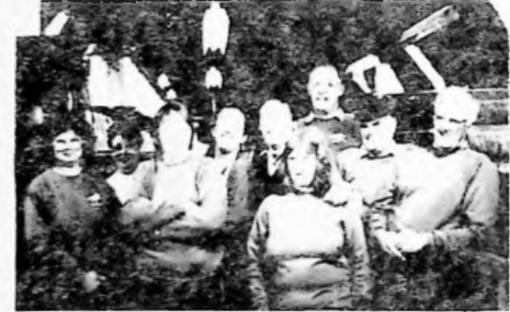


DAYS TWO AND THREE - FOX BAY VILLAGE
 TWO FIGAS Islanders take the team to Fox Bay, where they are met by Richard Cockwell and Reg Anderson in smart new Fox Bay Mill livery and are taken straight to the Coast Ridge Farm shearing shed, to film three shearers, including Critter Lee, busy with some sheep that have been specially held back for the occasion.

Afterwards, over smoko, Jeff Banks and Clothes Show Executive Producer, Roger Castles, discuss their schedule with Richard and Grizelda Cockwell before heading off to the Falkland Mill to meet the workers and film production. They are relieved and delighted to find the whole process under one roof.

After lunch, back to the mill to the smartly refurbished knitting room and mill shop, where Grizelda Cockwell and Pat Marsh give lessons in machine knitting to Assistant Producer, Jane Galpin and Researcher, Ophelia Zwart. (Jane became so enthusiastic that she went back after dinner to knit some more!)

During the afternoon filming, Grizelda Cockwell's knitting machine began "playing up" for the first time ever.



After dinner discussion about the Falklands Mill between Richard, Grizelda, Jeff and Ian Dempster in the Cockwell's house was filmed.

The following morning a search for a phantom washing machine operating in the Cockwell household, revealed Jeff, who is a long-time Buddhist, chanting in his bedroom.

After filming the wool scouring plant in operation, all the team, except for Lighting Electrician Dave Shorters left in two Islanders

DAY FOUR - STANLEY

DURING the absence of the TV crew, things had not been standing still in Stanley. When they returned, they found that St. Mary's Hall had been transformed into a knitting workshop and work had begun.

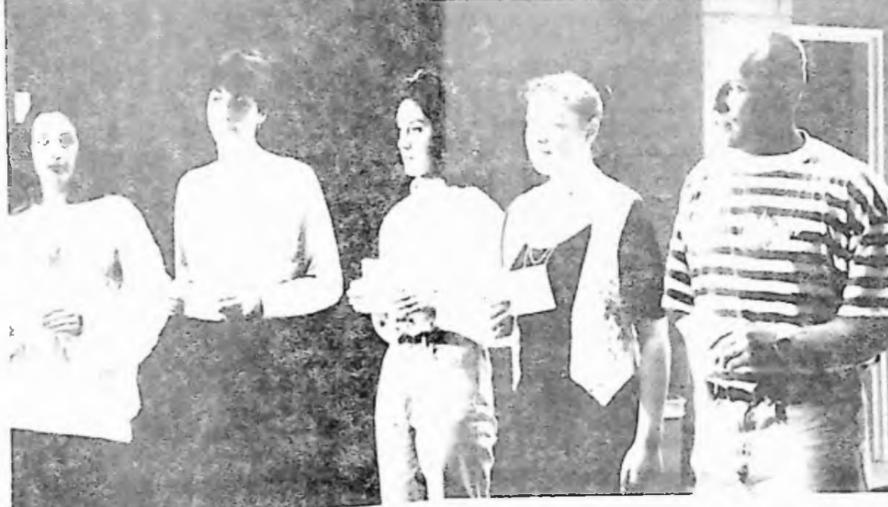
Rosemary Wilkinson from Dunnoose Head, who had already prepared swatches of knitting stitches inspired by the Falklands landscape, had by this time barely left the hall except to sleep since Tuesday. Despite having only recently begun to recover from the trauma of a life-threatening medical condition, Rosemary was to go on to work virtually none-stop, until the project's end.

Apart from those, who like Rosemary, worked all the time in St. Mary's Hall, there were others, like Maud McKenzie, Vi Felton and Joyce Newman, who soldiered on magnificently at home, producing squares at first, then later wels and in Vi's case a complete hand-knitted version of the "Falklander".

Gradually the number of knitters was growing to include ladies and men from all sectors of the community, local, expatriate, civilian and military and an air of quiet industry was settling over St. Mary's Hall. At this stage, apart from the few early prototypes made by students from the RCA, which Jeff had brought with him and one sweater made in advance at Fox Bay, by Grizelda Cockwell, there were still no finished sweaters and it was difficult to assess how many there might be finally.



DAY FIVE - STANLEY
 After a long and gruelling afternoon of auditions in the Community School, which saw many fragile egos bruised, seventeen models were selected from over seventy applicants, who had queued in some cases for over an hour. The clothes show team were looking for people who could walk with confidence and personality, but also for people who fitted the clothes they had brought with them to go with the sweaters.



Aspiring models were seen in batches. Above, Ruth Watson, Breda Crowie, Mary Lazo, Rhiannon Didlick and Gavin Clifton await a verdict; should they stay or should they go? In the event only Rhiannon and Gavin were to reach the catwalk



DAY SIX - PEBBLE ISLAND

ON SUNDAY the *Clothes Show* team took off again for Pebble Island, where apart from the weather, which had been pretty unpleasant everywhere since they arrived, everything was to go well.

Chauffeured by Pebble Island Hotel's guide, James McGhie, the group took in Gentoo penguins and a lone King at Green Rincon, before heading off to Marble, where they were able to see about 500 Rockhoppers, before returning to the hotel to pick up packed lunches.

Lunch was taken at the Southern Sea Lion Colony, where they had arrived to find only one solitary fur seal to face the TV cameras.

On the way back home, black-necked swans were seen, before the party took the opportunity to film the Pebble Island Kashmir goat herd, which, according to James, posed for the camera perfectly.

The team spent the night at the Pebble Hotel before being whisked away early by FIGAS, back to Stanley.

DAY SEVEN - STANLEY

THE ATMOSPHERE in St. Mary's Hall was now purposeful in the extreme, with some extra folk having been recruited to help piece together garments. Spontaneous applause broke out as the first completely finished sweater made from squares knitted by Maud McKenzie, was modelled by Rachael Fowler (see below).

Over in the Town Hall, thanks to the efforts of Martin Cant, Tim Cotter and others, the catwalk (right) had been built and smartly carpeted by David Lewis.



DAY EIGHT - TIME'S UP

AT SIX O'CLOCK, on Tuesday 21st, still not quite one full week since Jeff Banks first met the knitters, a full-dress rehearsal of the catwalk show had taken place to a full house, but some of the models were still without their complete wardrobe - indeed at this very moment, all the bins in St. Mary's Hall were being emptied to find the missing bit of one of them, which would be craftily reattached by Eileen Hardcastle and Cora Toaze under Jeff Bank's expert eye.

At seven o'clock, the Town Hall was full for the show. The music was playing and you could sense excitement and a faint smell of mothballs in the air. Everything was ready except that over in St. Mary's Hall the last garments were still being assembled and ironed.

Finally Jeff Banks appeared and the magic began, but what a close-run thing it had been!





Mount Kent's Kes Gospel



Ingrid Newman and Alison Greenland



Caroline Edwards, Joanne Payne, Victoria Pratt and Alistair Wilkinson



Jeffrey Slinger



Abbie Hilton and Gavin Clifton

Falklander on the townhall catwalk

About the Design

THE CHALLENGE which Jeff Banks took home with him last Christmas was a daunting one: to design a national knitwear style, which would be as immediately recognisable as the Guernsey, the Fair Isle and the Aran, for a country eight thousand miles away, which he had never visited and about which he knew very little.

The idea of bringing the *Clothes Show* to the Falklands had been in the air for some time, but it was, according to Jeff, only a day or two before Christmas that a firm decision was made.

From the contact that had already been established between *Clothes Show* researcher Ophelia Zwart, FIGO in London and the FIDC on the Islands, who had first thrown down this daunting design challenge, Jeff knew something about the product of the Fox Bay Woollen Mill and knew that the Falklands had an embryo knitting industry, but he had very little else to go on.

Demonstrating the genius that has made him one of the most authoritative figures in the clothing industry, Jeff turned this lack of knowledge about the capabilities of the Falklands knitters to advantage, by coming up with a method of sweater construction which would allow for varying levels of knitting skill, even for a wide variety of stitching, but would in itself create a distinctive "look".

The basic construction was to consist of knitted squares, which could be produced by a number of different people to make up one garment. Within an agreed colour range, there would be scope for a high degree of individuality of stitching and pattern in each square.

To add interest (and value) in the final marketing of the finished garment, to be called by common consent, a "Falklander", Jeff came up with a USP (unusual selling point). If each square was initialled in some way by its maker, a booklet giving the details of each of the Falklands knitters and their identifying marks could be produced and sold with each garment.

LATE LETTERS..... Mutton Canning Plant - not a failure

I noticed a couple of references to the Old Goose Green Canning Works and the writer's assumptions that it was "not a success".

The Canning Works was opened in 1910, and to quote the FIC Centenary booklet (1851 - 1951) mention is made of 'the large but unused Canning Works (buildings) which proved profitable until 1919 when the lack of demand for canned mutton and related products led first to loss and two years later to the abandonment of canning.'

The lack of demand for these products came about as a result of the ending of the first world war.

Reverend C. McDonald-Hobley produced a small booklet about the Falklands in 1917 which con-

tained a section about 'The Local Canning Industry':-

"Although the death rate amongst the sheep in the Colony has always been very high, owing to the bad country, and the severity of the climate, the stock has been greatly improved by the canning industry, which came into existence about five years ago; this has taken the surplus sheep from many of the local stations. There are works at San Carlos North, but during the past few years they have been closed. The largest centre is at Goose Green, Darwin, and is owned by the F.I.C. The premises cover a space of nearly two acres, and employ about 120 men in the season, who account for 1100 sheep a day. During the past five years over 150,000 sheep have been canned at this factory. The machinery employed

comes from America, Australia, and England. The actual process is extremely interesting, and is a marvel of rapidity and cleanliness. On the average, two men kill and dress 220 sheep a day: the 'boning', i.e. taking all the flesh off, and leaving the bare skeleton, is done by hand in the extraordinary time of three seconds a sheep. The tin of meat passes through 33 hands before the process is completed; the tins are then shipped away and are sold in London. The Government tax is 1/2d per pound, and a further tax upon tongues and skins. The Meat Extract process also occupies a big part of the industry: this extract is made from the soup of the meat that is boiled down, nothing else whatever being added. The F.I.C. also can a number of bullock (which form the surplus of the local stations); this is sent to England as Boiled Beef, and Beef Extract.

Nothing much of the mutton or beef went to waste, with hoof and horn being exported for the glue manufacturing trade, hair for mattresses, bones were reduced to bonemeal, fat rendered into tallow which became best quality margarine, casings were exported to become part of a sausage. Sheepskins and hides were also sold on UK markets.

300 sheep were usually killed before breakfast and 800 more before lunch, with the following 'gang' employed to deal with the carcasses, such as the salt boy, tin washer, gut barrow operator, meat extractor and digester operator, boiler operator, night watchman, carcass cutters, boners, machine fillers, tongue canners, packers, and not the least, the men who soldered the lids on the cans.

PS. I rather think the 3 seconds per sheep for skinning (original text in booklet) should read 3 minutes!?

Joan Spruce

Well done Clothes Show Team

I FEEL that I must write to congratulate everyone involved in "The Clothes Show." I was unable to get tickets for the show, so went along to the dress rehearsal. I was most impressed with the "Falklander" jersey. Yes, I would wear it, and as a knitter, yes, I would make it.

The amount of work which went into the making of so many jerseys in such a short time is very commendable, and showed real teamwork. The professionalism of the models is to be applauded.

Congratulations and "well done" to everyone involved in any way. Let's hope the idea catches on worldwide, and puts the Falklands well and truly on the fashion map.

Anne Howells

Consolidated Fisheries Ltd.

Press Release

Consolidated Fisheries Ltd will be chartering the Chilean longliner vessel the 'Cisne Verde' to undertake fishing operations in South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands from 1 March to 30 April 1995.

Each vessel participating in this fishery must have a scientific observer appointed in accordance with the scheme of International Scientific Observation of the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR). Under this scheme the flag state of the vessel (in this case Chile) are responsible for arranging for the required observer. Advice has been received that the Chilean authorities have appointed an Argentine citizen as observer onboard the 'Cisne Verde'.

Consolidated Fisheries Ltd. are investigating the possibility of arranging for an observer of another nationality but there are difficulties and this may not be possible.

Argentine nationals are not permitted to land in the Falklands or on South Georgia.

A DOCTOR WRITES ... Blood Pressure We've all got it - but what does it mean?

INTRODUCTION
We've all got it - blood pressure, that is - but what does it mean and why is it important? Given the Islands' expertise in vehicle and house maintenance, it may be useful to describe the essentials in mechanical, as well as biological, terms

BLOOD, OIL AND WATER SYSTEMS

Blood circulates around the body for a variety of functions, the most important of which are the delivery of oxygen and nutrients, and the removal of carbon dioxide and other waste products. In a similar way that a Rover's engine oil and water systems work, there is a pump (heart), fluid (blood) and pipework (blood vessels). The pressure will depend on how hard the pump is working, how much fluid there is, and the state of the pipework containing the fluid.

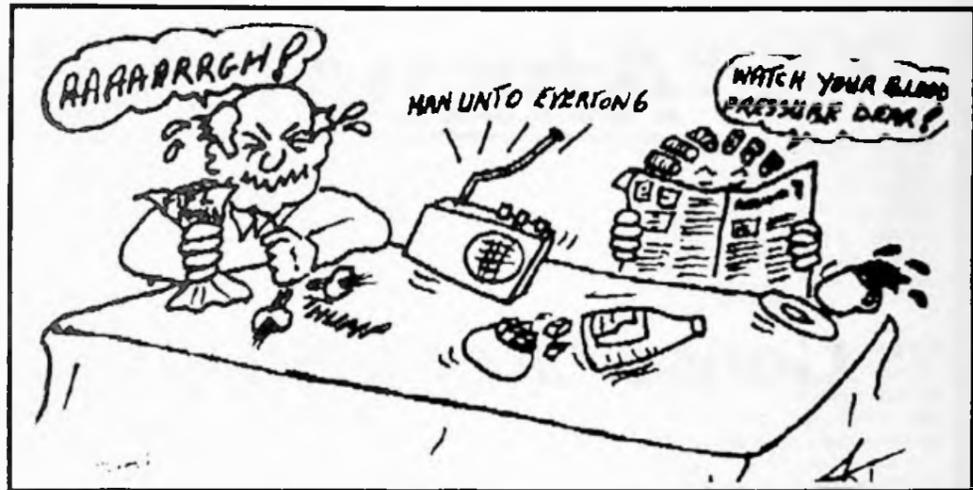
Every vehicle has a gauge to measure the oil pressure, since prolonged use, when pressure is too low, results in rapid engine wear and even seizing. This will usually be due to insufficient oil in the system, through consumption or leakage. Similarly, the water/radiator system acts to remove excess heat from the engine: the continual high pressure of the hot water will eventually result in the pipework (hose) bursting. These mechanical systems have parallels within the human body

HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS

There are some important differences in the human circulatory system. Firstly, the heart does not pump at a uniform rate, but acts by squeezing and relaxing. The heart valves ensure that blood moves forward. Secondly, the blood vessels are slightly elastic, so that when blood is pushed forwards by the heart they will expand slightly to accommodate the extra volume. Thus blood flows like successive waves: this is the pulse. These physical factors, and the way they can alter in disease, explain some of the problems of blood pressure.

WHAT THE NUMBERS MEAN

Blood pressure (BP) is usually given as two numbers: 160/90, 120/80 etc.. The first of these is the highest pressure, when the heart is squeezing blood into the circulation. The second is the lowest pressure, when the heart is relaxed and the circulation maintained by the valves and vessels alone. They are heard by the nurse or doctor during the well-known 'BP check'. The upper arm is



squeezed by the inflatable cuff until the pressure produced is higher than the higher blood pressure. The cuff pressure is then gradually lowered, and as the circulation in the arm resumes its normal flow, it will make characteristic sounds detectable through the stethoscope. These sounds are recorded as the numbers given above.

'NORMAL' BLOOD PRESSURE

"What is normal?" - a common cry in medical questions, and this more than most. Blood pressure is variable between individuals and within the same individual depending on circumstances. The circulatory requirements of someone resting or sleeping will be lower than when they are exercising vigorously. BP naturally rises with stress, cold air and increasing age, to name but a few. This is why BP needs to be measured on several different occasions before it can be labelled as low, normal or high. Rather than define a 'normal' measurement, it has been found more useful to identify those ranges of BP which are associated with increased levels of disease.

LOW BLOOD PRESSURE

BP which is too low tends to occur only in sudden, serious illness or injury, when the circulation may become low enough to endanger life. Long-term low BP is hardly ever associated with illness and, in fact, usually indicates good health - or at least a reduced risk of heart attack or stroke

HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE

Now we come to the main worry! BP which is too high for too long causes the circulatory system to 'wear out' more quickly - rather like the burst radiator-hose in a 'Rover engine, of the furring-up of water pipes. Damage is thereby caused to important body organs:

the brain, heart and kidneys, for instance. They may become damaged through the direct effect of prolonged high BP; or indirectly through the damage to the blood vessels, which can become blocked or burst - restricting or even stopping the blood supply altogether. The most common effects are strokes and heart attacks - both potentially fatal, and these are common conditions in the Falkland Islands. Research has now confirmed that if blood pressure is lowered there is a consequent reduction in heart attacks and strokes - and this applies at any age, even the elderly.

PREGNANCY

Pregnant women attending the ante-natal clinic will be familiar with having their BP checked on each visit. This is because there is a special condition associated with later pregnancy called ECLAMPSIA which can be serious for both mother and baby. This is rare but real, and can be detected early by regular BP measurements, thus averting the problems

CONCLUSION

Raised blood pressure hardly ever causes real symptoms (contrary to

popular belief) until a serious event occurs, so it is understandable why many people don't see the point in taking tablets which may make them feel worse than they did to start with. However, the long-term view needs to be taken that raised blood pressure increases the risk of heart attacks and strokes and reduces life expectancy. Simple life-style changes which can lower raised BP include:

- reduction of weight in overweight people
- reduction of alcohol intake to below 6 units daily (ideally 3 or less)
- regular brisk physical exercise
- reduction in salt intake

If these approaches are not enough on their own, then your Doctor may recommend medication. Treatment for high BP is a long-term decision and does not end after finishing a short course of tablets, as with antibiotics. It is vital to follow the dosing instructions exactly, and not to change or stop except on your Doctor's advice. Your co-operation in what may be life-long therapy will help that life be even longer!

Written by Dr Tim Moore
Drawing by John Teggart

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Fifteen years on, the secrets of a North Arm winter's night remain untold

Missing marine's mother pleads for help to find her son

IN 1980 a young Royal Marine disappeared in the Falklands, apparently without trace. Fifteen years later, during which time she has never given up grieving and hoping to find her son, his mother has finally visited North Arm, the place where he was last seen alive, and is now absolutely convinced both that he is still there and that there are people in the Falklands who can help her find his remains.

In these days of a large and largely anonymous military presence on the Islands it is hard to convey the closeness of the relationship that used to exist between the local community and the small detachment of Royal Marines, Naval Party 8901, who inhabited the barracks at Moody Brook for a year at a time. Maybe the fact that they were awarded the Freedom of Stanley and that so many of them married local girls and returned here to settle once their soldiering days were done, speaks for itself.

Among the marines' duties, looked on by all sides as a welcome break from the usual working routine, were training visits to Camp settlements, when a small detail would instruct the men on the farms in unarmed combat, the use of small arms and other military skills, against what was then considered to be the unlikely cir-



19 year old Marine, Alan Addis, shortly before his disappearance

arrived at the jetty at 5 pm, planning to pick up the training detail to return them to Stanley the following day. On board were another team of three Royals, including 19 year old Alan Addis, who were to pick up the small arms used at North Arm, before themselves being dropped off at Fitzroy to run a similar course

of a late night "session".

True to his warnings of the night before, the Skipper of the *Forrest*, the late Jack Sollis, sailed at seven sharp on the morning of the 8th August. Ten minutes later, while the settlement was still in sight, one of the marines discovered that Marine Addis did not seem to be aboard and ten minutes after that, a general alarm was raised, the ship was searched and his absence confirmed.

Unfortunately, it was apparently not possible to establish contact with North Arm to institute a search there until the *Forrest* reached Fitzroy later that afternoon, when it soon became apparent that Marine Addis was no longer in the settlement. Later a Board of Inquiry ruled that the young six footer, who was very fit and a veteran of arctic training in Norway, had either fallen off the jetty and drowned, or wandered off by himself into the camp and died of exposure.

Marine Addis's mother, Ann, who has visited the Falklands before, but was prevented by bad weather from reaching North Arm, does not believe in either of these possibilities and nor, it would appear, do the Royal Falkland Islands Police, who for two years now have been making a systematic investigation of all the circumstances leading up to a time between 2 and 3 am on 8th August 1980, when Marine Addis was last seen in the North Arm Social Club.

Alan Addis, who had dark

brown hair, is thought to have been wearing a blue denim shirt, with pearl studs on the front, a dark blue, fur-lined, woollen zip-up, bomber-type jacket with the letters TRA on the right of his chest, dark blue or black cord trousers and trainers.

Ann Addis is adamant that her prime purpose in visiting the Falklands is not to ascribe blame, seek revenge or take legal action, but simply to discover what happened to her son and where he now is.

Mrs Addis will be in the Falklands till March 1st and anyone who can help her achieve her aim and bring an end to over 15 years of mental anguish is invited to contact her directly on telephone 21765 or to contact Stephen Palmer at the Deanery. Any detail, however apparently insignificant, concerning the events of that tragic winter's night in 1980, might be invaluable and will be welcomed.

Biggest ever Falklands cargo in 1911?

WE ARE indebted to Stan Macaskill (and to Ernie Luxton for bringing it in) for an article from the merchant marine magazine *Sea Breezes* from some years ago. Under the heading "Good Stuff from Afar" it reads:

"You might like to know that in 1911, our steamer, *Jasmin*, then under Commander Hobson, who is now in the big new *Orbita*, brought home the largest cargo from Port Stanley ever shipped to that time, namely 3,000 bales of wool and skins, 400 barrels of tallow, 350 cases of tinned meat and 400 hides, in all 2,600 tons."

"Here, therefore, is a little trade item, highly interesting. The British are called "the great islanders" and you must admit that it is something to have turned our remotest islands, which before we got them were apparently of no business use to anybody, into such a living emporium of trade".

(Accompanying the above was a *Sea Breezes* picture from 1898 of a British steamer waiting to load mutton carcasses at Port Howard - what is that French phrase; "plus ça change...."?)



Mrs Ann Addis in the Falklands to find her missing son there.

On August 7th 1980, such a training visit had just been successfully completed at North Arm by three Royal Marines, when the *MV Forrest*, which in those days was under charter to the MOD,

With their duties completed and an evening free for a "run ashore", the six marines repaired to the North Arm Social Club, where a convivial evening with the locals apparently turned into something

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I take this opportunity to answer the last weeks radio announcement concerning the theft of a large quantity of diesel oil from Ross Road West. My advice to the informer, who I believe I know, is to get your priorities right before reporting and accusing the wrong people to the police. Someone out there is having a good laugh over this. So why embarrass the wrong people accused as well as the constable concerned.

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To Patricia and Francis
O'Brien

a son Aaron Samuel who was born on February 19th in County Antrim, Northern Ireland. Aaron weighed 8lb 3oz. Patricia O'Brien will be known to everyone as Patsy Buckland

FROM THE RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Shooting over 3, 5, 600 yards for the February Medal given by Tim McCallum won by K. Aldridge 96, P. Peck 92.4, T. Courtney 92.2, G. Goodwin 91.2, M. Pole-Evans 89

Stanley retain soccer shield ... by Patrick Watts

The Stanley Football Club retained the coveted Shield after beating HMS Endurance by 4 goals to 2 in a one-off first team game. Gone are the days when the teams could look forward to a thrilling 5 or 3 game series.

Such are the Patrol vessel's commitments these days, that the one solitary game is often difficult to schedule, and owing to the few days that the ship was in port on this occasion, both captains agreed to play extra time and employ a penalty shoot-out to obtain an outright winner should it be required.

In the event, Stanley won comfortably enough despite the shock of going a goal down after just 9 minutes, during which time the visitors had not managed to achieve one notable attacking effort. However, Lee Weatherall, the Endurance captain and outstandingly their best player, broke through after some sloppy defensive work and shot powerfully past Hawkie Jaffray in the Stanley goal.

Following this setback, Stanley took a little time to settle down but gradually began to open up the opposing defence, and with Jamie Peck at his teasing best, chance after chance was created, but both Peck and Paul Riddell missed many opportunities before finally a shot from Riddell was deflected by a defender into the corner of the net to make the half-time score 1-1.

It wasn't long before Stanley took command in the 2nd half, and with Peck still mesmerising the visiting defenders with his languid-looking but deceptive style, which saw him beat 2 and 3 de-

fenders at will, 3 goals were scored in a blistering 10-minute spell. First of all, Peck ran clear of the defence and calmly drew the goal-keeper before slotting the ball into the vacant net, and five minutes later he exchanged passes with Riddell before putting Troyd Bowles through, and he scored number 3.

In the 61st minute the match was effectively over as yet more dazzling play from Stanley's forwards saw Peck once again clean through, and he made no mistake despite attempts by the opposing goal-keeper to pull him down. Peck could easily have scored half a dozen on the night as he frequently ran the Endurance defence ragged with his close control, but time after time the ball flashed just wide of the post, or skimmed the cross bar.

With Jimmy Curtis an inspirational captain and youngster Colin Buckland gaining in confidence as the game progressed, Stanley were in total command, and it came as something of a shock when, with just 4 minutes of the match remaining, Tony Roberts of HMS Endurance was given room to fire home from 15 yards and bring a few moments of anxiety to the home team.

There was still time for Jamie Peck to once more break clear and appear certain to complete his well deserved hatrick, but his shot went just wide of the upright. Stanley ran out worthy winners and captain Jimmy Curtis received the Shield, which was first presented for competition by a former player, Les Biggs.

POSTSCRIPT FROM THE BAHAI'S

TIME and again, one hears someone say, "I wish I could believe in God." Sometimes it is said with a faint hint of guilt, as though the person was somehow to blame for his lack of faith.

Baha'is would disagree with that feeling. To acknowledge that one does not believe, before one has discovered a reason to believe, is simple honesty. We cannot but admire honesty.

To have real faith, one must know God is there. We don't inherit that knowledge; each person must discover God for himself. Nor can one acquire such spiritual certainty without some searching; some investigation. Conviction doesn't grow on trees. All the Founders of the great religions, aware of man's yearning for, and need of, God, have encouraged him to search.

For example, Jesus told the people of His day to seek, and they would find; knock, and the door would be opened; ask, and it would

be given unto them; but they must knock, seek, or ask if they expected something to happen.

The problem is made still more difficult by the fact that God, as Baha'is believe in Him, is an infinite power, far beyond the access of any human being. However, from age to age in the past He has sent to earth a perfect human being - the intermediary between God and man - to reveal God's light and glory and love and teachings. These, the Founders of the great religions, are the sources of the knowledge of Him. One finds on studying their lives that, alone among human beings, they truly practised what they preached. The love they shed, the sacrifices they made, the hardships they endured, were all for the purpose of guiding man to God, bringing happiness and certainty to mankind.

Baha'u'llah, Baha'is believe, is the latest of these Messengers of God.

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Iceberg no threat to Falklands

REPORTS in the Argentine press (La Nacion of 2/3/95) that a giant iceberg is en route to the Falklands were clarified on Friday by Dr Mike Thomson, Head of Geo Science with the British Antarctic Survey.

Dr Thomson, who has flown over the iceberg, says that it is so deep - he estimates it to be around 600ft thick - that even were it to approach the Falklands, it would ground before coming close.

This gigantic iceberg, which has calved off the Larsen Ice Shelf between Seal Nunataks and the Jason Peninsula is only one of a number of dramatic changes recorded in the area this antarctic summer.

North of Seal Nunataks (Eskimo for a piece of rock surrounded by snow) the ice shelf has broken up completely.

Due to the disappearance of the Sjögren Ice Tongue, a small ice shelf connecting James Ross Island to the Antarctic mainland, it is possible to sail round the island, named after the head of a British expedition in 1842, for the first time in recorded history.

Asked what had brought about these changes, Dr Thomson said that they were being linked to some warming of the ice shelf, though over the last half century of recordings at Faraday Base, the rise in average temperatures amounted to only 2.5°C.

The Wordie ice shelf on Antarctica's west coast has also disintegrated.

Dr Thomson assured *Penguin News* that sea levels would not be significantly affected by the break up of the iceshelves, which being already in the sea, would not add to its volume.



Above is an NOAA satellite image received by the British Antarctic Station at Rothera on February 20. The arrow on the right indicates the iceberg - a white shape like a flint arrow head - which has detached from the neighbouring Larsen Ice Shelf, to its left. The iceberg is 70k long and between 20-30k wide.

Thursday's Child arrives on Friday

THURSDAY'S CHILD, a yacht which became dismasted in heavy weather on the third leg of a single-handed round-the-world yacht race, the BOC Challenge, arrived in Stanley for repairs at noon on Friday, March 3.

It was American skipper, A. Taylor's second accident in the course of the race. His rudder was ripped off on the second leg, and he limped into Sydney on an emergency repair.

Two other damaged yachts are expected to follow *Thursday's Child*. On March 18, *Newcastle Australia* with Australian yachtsman, A. Nebauer, is expected in Stanley, and at the end

of the month comes *Cornwall* with Englishman R. Davie aboard.

It is understood that at least two new masts, plus a rigger, will be flown out from Britain to expedite the repairs and send the yachtsmen on their way again.

Several other yachts have been dismasted or suffered other damage in the course of the grueling race, in which the entrants use sail only.

In the face of such hazards, it was interesting that the first leg, from Capetown to Sydney, was won by French yachtswoman Isabelle Autissier, aboard *Ecurcuil*, despite being dismasted in the course of the race.

Firm answers to fundamental questions in Lords

BARONESS Chalker, HMG's Minister for Overseas Development provided robust answers to a number of oil-related Falklands questions in the Lords last week.

Viscount Montgomery of Alamein suggested to Baroness Chalker that because of the improved trade and relations with Argentina, unilateral statements should be avoided and all matters concerning the South Atlantic should be decided between Britain, Argentina and the Falkland Islands Government.

Baroness Chalker replied: "My Lords, in this matter it is the Falkland Islands Government who are the deciding government. We now have a regular exchange with the Argentine Government on a wide range of issues. I believe that they share our desire to maintain the improvement in our bilateral relationships, and we work away at that. But there is no way in which Argentina can decide the future of the Falkland Islands. Only the Falkland Islanders can do that."

Baroness Blackstone asked if the Government agreed with British Gas that exploration in the South Atlantic could not begin until a political settlement had been agreed between Britain and Argentina. If this was the case, what progress had been made and, if not, would exploration licenses be granted without Argentine involvement or consent. If so, when?

Replying for the Government, Baroness Chalker said that she did not agree with what British Gas had been quoted as saying. She continued, "while we are seeking to reach agreement with Argentina on commercial cooperation, it will be up to the islanders - and only the islanders - to agree the manner in which the oil industry will develop. There is no need for agreement with anyone else. The other point that must be considered is that we are quite sure that there is the absolute right to administer the Falkland Islands in accordance with international law, which means that the Falkland Islands can decide upon this matter."

Record catches bring hope of loligo stabilisation

RECORD catches of *Loligo* squid during February, 17,305 tons, may indicate that stocks of the species are stabilising after four years of erratic variations, according to Senior Fisheries Scientist, Dr Conor Nolan.

Following catches of 15,317 tons and 15,274 tons for the same month in 1991 and 1992 respectively, a mere 3,724 tons was reported in February, 1993. Last year's February figure of 9,664 tons showed some

improvement; however, this year's catch is approximately 13% above the highest previously recorded during the five-year period.

The disastrous 1993 catch figure is thought to have been connected with the failure of *Loligo* to spawn at its normal time in 1992, quite possibly due to a temporary variation in ocean currents reducing the food supply (the famous "El Nino" effect). It seems to have been "a classical

case of a population crash induced by environmental factors rather than overfishing," said Dr. Nolan. The current catch level appears to indicate that both the food supply and the breeding cycle for *Loligo* have normalised, he added.

Sales of *Loligo* have been temporarily suspended while buyers assess the effect of the high catches on the market; however "indications are that prices are dropping significantly," said Mr. Stuart Wallace, of Fortuna Ltd.



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"I am that person" says Chief Executive

IN ANSWER to Trish Halmshaw's request, "Please can anybody explain...", I think that I am probably that person.

In my discussions with Cable and Wireless in London on February 8, I was particularly keen to get them to take action quickly over issues which have concerned these Islands for some time now. One possible reason for delay was their inability to get executives down to Stanley quickly at this time of year. I promised to do what I could to speed the process so long as they promised to have executives ready for the earliest possible flight.

I therefore instructed Gail Spooner in the Falkland Islands Government Office in London to put pressure on the Joint Services Travel Centre, using my name if necessary and the lure of cheaper

Andrew Gurr
Chief Executive

Shirley's warning to young motorbikers: 'It could just happen to you. Get a helmet!

ON THE evening of the 19th February about 5.45 Stanley time, my son Justin was involved in an accident on the new Port Howard road, about 5 miles from the Fox Bay end and 28 miles from Port Howard.

Mr Neil Clifton was driving from Port Howard in a rover belonging to the White Rock Project. The collision occurred on a blind spot when no road could be seen in the distance when coming from Justin's end. The White Rock rover topped a rise almost at the same time as Justin reached the spot. Mr Clifton braked, as a 40 yd skid mark at the scene verified but the two vehicles collided just the same.

Considerable damage was sustained by the rover and also Nigel's new 250cc Kawasaki motor bike. The new bike was still 'running in' and for certain members of the public who suggested that Justin was speeding, this means a top speed of 40mph.

Justin sustained a broken left wrist, a broken right collar bone and two fingers broken on his right hand. He also received a deep gash to his lower right leg, which has resulted in an enforced stay in hospital. Mr Clifton and his friend had no injuries but were in shock.

A Seaking helicopter was scrambled from MPA after Nigel had despatched Neil (in our rover) to back track to the road gang camp site, where they knew a phone was situated. The Seaking

phone calls for the military. In fact, by using her initiative she managed to secure two remaining military seats on the southbound flight of Monday, February 20; thus not only were we not party to denying the journey to any resident but as far as our London Office is aware, there were no residents unable to get on that particular flight.

So the explanation is that occasionally, "What you know" (in this case the knowledge to help reduce everybody's telephone bills and improve the camp phone system) aligns happily with "who you know" in order to get something done which I believe is for the benefit of the whole community.

arrived about 7.20 and the medical team worked quickly and efficiently to ease Justin's pain and to ascertain the extent of his injuries. Their professionalism and efficiency helped keep my own mounting panic in check.

I would like to thank the RAF for their rapid response and for the medical team's help and advice. I would also like to thank everyone at the KEMH on Justin's behalf and I hope that his bad language offended no one. I don't know where he gets it from, honestly!

I would also like all young motorbike riders to take note: Justin was allowed to borrow the new bike on condition that he wore the crash helmet when he reached the road. He put on the helmet at the start and the accident occurred less than five minutes later. So all you young folk who think 'that would never happen to me', don't, because it could just happen! I have it on good authority that had Justin not been wearing the helmet he would have sustained very bad, if not fatal, injuries. As it was, he was unconscious for five or six minutes. Someone up there was looking out for him that day.

Finally I would like to thank everyone who enquired after Justin and especially those who have had time to visit him. Hospitals are very boring places when you are only sixteen.

Thank you all
Shirley and Nigel Knight
Fox Bay

MPA road - the good news and the bad news

IN A MEETING of the General Purpose Committee on 27 February 1995, the future of the MPA road was discussed. A consultant from UK Niel Robinson had advised PWD that the deterioration of the asphalt that already existed was due to erosion. Originally the road was intended to be made up of three layers, however after 2 layers had been constructed the road was frequently used by traffic thus eroding the second layer; the small area of asphalt had then been laid directly on the first layer. The result of this was that the rocky bottom layer began to erode through the asphalt.

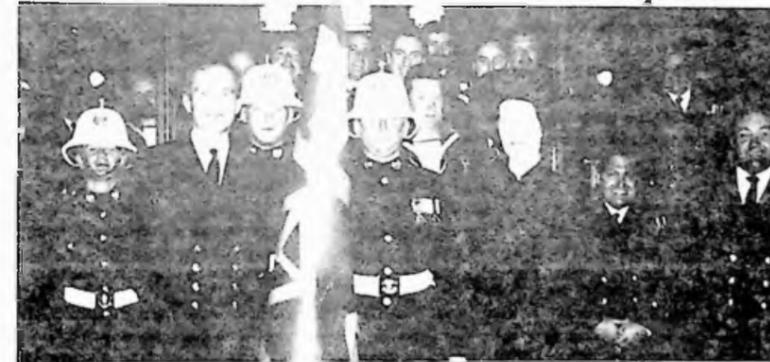
Mr Robinson had reassured those involved that the quality of

the rock being used was excellent and the abilities of the workmen were not in question. He believed that the road could be completed in two years.

It was decided that two more insulated vehicles were needed to complete the project and the means to get the vehicles has since been put in motion.

Regarding Mr Robinson's suggestion of completion within two years, it was decided that such a short time-scale would lead to all man-power being concentrated on the MPA Road; this would lead to the neglect of all other roads. It is intended that work on the road should be spread over a number of years.

Lord Shackleton's Banner laid up in the Cathedral



The Hon. Mrs. Alexandra Bergel commits the Garter Banner which belonged to her father Lord Shackleton to Christ Church Cathedral for laying up.

The banner was brought to the Falklands by Cpt. Alan Phillips and the Ships Company of HMS Endurance.

Beautiful Falklands Awards 1995

NOMINATIONS IN THE various categories for the Beautiful Falklands Awards close on the 15th March. The awards are offered every two years and properties in both Stanley and the camp are eligible for nomination; recipients can be private owners, companies or government departments.

Recognition will be given for achievement in the following areas:-

1. Best maintained large camp settlement (a traditional settlement comprising of more than one family)
2. Best maintained small camp settlement (single family unit)
3. Preservation or restoration of a building or site of historic interest.
4. Best maintained business premises.
5. Best maintained private home and garden (completed or virtually completed properties).
6. Most attractive new building in a traditional Falklands style (buildings which include traditional architectural features such as pitched roof, bright colours, barge boards and finials will be given preference).
7. Most attractive conversion of a temporary unit (units which have been converted for permanent use in an attractive style).
8. Best landscaping project.
9. Special contribution to the man-made beauty of the Falklands (designed to cover exceptional circumstances and may not always be included).
10. Biggest transformation since previous awards £100 CASH PRIZE (only private properties will be eligible, work must have been carried out in the two years since the last award ceremony; before and after photographs are essential).

Nominations must be received by the 15th MARCH. Just fill in one of the nomination forms which have been distributed or contact one of the committee members: Jane Cameron, Carol Miller, Graham France, Gene Williams, Cheryl King or Wendy Teggart. Photographs of properties nominated will be welcomed by the committee. All finalist will be presented with a certificate, winners will receive a plaque.

Please tell us if you or your family deserve an award, only the names of the nominees will be made public; not those who nominate them.

GPC meeting, main points

DURING THE recent General Purposes Committee meeting of the Legislative Council on Tuesday, the following subjects were discussed:

Regarding the **Bodie Creek Bridge**; no conclusions were reached however there was a general feeling that as part of our heritage it should be examined and kept in good repair. A minority felt that costs would be too high.

The DPW described the **power surge** as a freak problem with an earth wire; there had been no warning signs, so preventative measures had not been taken. The DPW also informed the committee that the **Dam** had been repaired to a good standard and no further problems were expected.

Ideas for celebrations in the

Falklands to commemorate **Victory in Europe day** were discussed. Suggestions made included a parade, a dance and a reception for those older members of the community who remember the original day well and those who served abroad during the war. It was also suggested that there may be Islanders in U.K. who would be interested in attending the celebrations on behalf of the Falklands.

A question had been brought to the attention of the committee regarding a **light oil spill** from a vessel. They were asked what measures could be taken regarding the spill.

The vessel however was outside Falkland waters and thus no legal action could be taken. It is intended that a letter of complaint be written to the vessel owning company.

Nina lines up for London Marathon

INTREPID teenage Islander Nina Aldridge will be leaping in at the deep end on April 2, 1995 when she enters the London Marathon on behalf of the Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital Fund.

An enthusiastic runner, Nina, who is in an "A Level" course at Peter Symmonds College, decided to have a crack at the London Marathon, at the same time circulating sponsorship forms to raise funds for the GOSCH.

With fellow student, Zoe Luxton, who entered Peter Symmonds with Nina last September 5, Nina, whose longest race previously has been the half-marathon, has been seriously training for the double distance. However, only Nina plans to enter the race.

She will have attained the minimum age for participating in the Marathon a mere 9 days earlier, her mother, Mrs. Caroline Aldridge, advised Penguin News.

She decided that she wanted to support the GOSCH Fund after hearing that fellow Islander Simon Summers had been treated there before he passed away, said Mrs. Aldridge.

Sponsorship forms to support Nina's effort are available at the Post Office in Stanley.

land Island Licence, driving without insurance and driving under the influence of alcohol.

He pleaded guilty to all four charges.

Mr Boscott was fined £650 and disqualified from driving for 18 months.

Falkland Islands Community School

Fete

March 11 at 1.30pm at the
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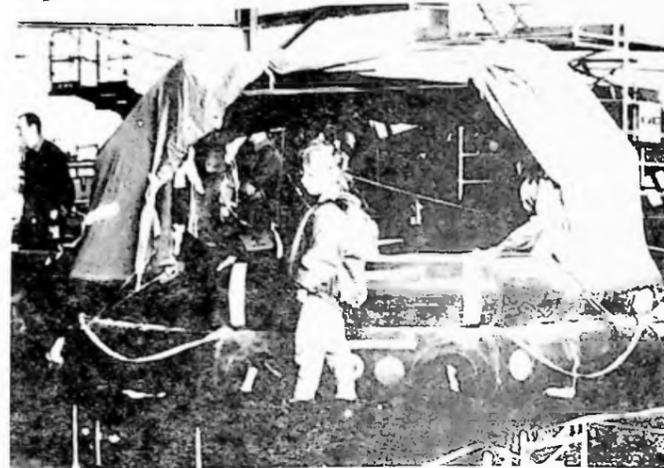
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BFFI Open Day

report by Squadron Leader David Ogg



Inflatable Life Raft - one of many items on display at the BFFI Open Day

THE BFFI Open Day was held on Saturday 25 February 1995 and was adjudged to have been an outstanding success. The day dawned bright and sunny and soon the area around the Tristar hangar was a hive of industry. Stalls showing the working life of the British Forces in the Falklands and our civilian friends from NAAFI, SSVC and the Met were erected in the hangar. The fun started at 10am when the stalls opened and the Ordnance Squadron bread stall was soon doing a fine trade. The Joint Communications Unit Falkland Islands human bandit proved popular and there was soon a long queue at the NAAFI catering stall. In the departure lounge of the air terminal, the Mount Pleasant Primary School stall was kept busy and the results of the children's face painting stall was much in evidence.

The flying show started bang on time at 11.15 with a demonstration by a Chinook helicopter of 78 Sqn. The Sea King was soon into action assisting the FIDF attack demonstration, and we were treated to a formation fly-past by a Hercules of 1312 Flt and 3 Tornados of 1435 Flt.

Moving on down to Mare Harbour for the afternoon programme saw HMS *Malborough* and RFA

Grey Rover receiving visitors and exciting helicopter displays by Lynx and Sea King helicopters. The RAF Mount Pleasant Station Commander, Group Captain Ray Dixon, was rescued successfully from the East Cove water, after a few minutes in his life raft, and having set off a number of flares to attract the attention of the rescue helicopter.

It was difficult to estimate the number of visitors hosted during the open day, but we do know that 40 people arrived from West Falkland in a Chinook and 5 buses arrived from Stanley. Estimates vary between 500 and 1000 visitors from Stanley and camp, and members of the organizing hope that it was a day to remember for everyone.

The winning "lucky programme" numbers in the prize draw were as follows:

- 1st Prize - 2 nights accommodation for 2 at Pebble Island - 664
- 2nd Prize - 2 nights accommodation for 2 at Blue Beach - 385
- 3rd Prize - a Falkland Mill Garment - 497

Prize winners should contact the non-public cashier on MPA ext. 6467 to arrange collection of their prize. The Bottom line: over £1000 was raised for the CAPED foundation

Public Notice

In accordance with Section 21 of the Planning Ordinance 1991 notification is given that a Draft Town Plan for Stanley has been prepared and is available for consideration and comment by the general public.

Any person who has not received a copy of the Draft Town Plan by 10th March 1995 may view a copy at the Office of the Planning Officer at the Public Works Department or at the Secretariat, Stanley.

Comments on and objections to the Draft Town Plan should be submitted in writing to the Planning Officer, PWD, to reach him on or before Friday 12th May 1995.

The Secretariat, Stanley
2 March 1995

PN No. 39/95
PLB/1/4

All hands to the pumps!

STANLEY'S water supply has been seriously endangered, repaired, and restored to a secure basis within four days, all with a maximum of cooperation - between Government and the private sector - and a minimum of hubbub, to the extent that many of the town's residents remained blissfully unaware that there was a problem.

The first indication of trouble came three weeks ago, according to Director of Public Works, Brian Jarvis-Hill, when a hole developed in the rocky layer beneath the dam at Moody Brook, causing extensive leakage. Hoping to avoid major dam repair until the winter, when PWD's heavy plant, presently in use on North Camp road construction, would be available, the authorities applied a clay plug with plastic sheeting as a temporary repair.

However, the leak recommenced, and on Thursday, February 23, they knew the temporary repair had failed, said Mr. Hill. On Friday, while Fire Department pumps were called upon to maintain the flow for the town water supply, PWD decided that the dam repair could not be delayed further.

First, a small earth and clay dam was created in front of the

main structure, to facilitate the removal of water from the working area, and to enable pumping for the town supply to be continued.

Using an excavator furnished by Neil McKay, PWD dug out some of the damaged part, "and then put sheet piling all the way in front of the existing dam face," said Mr. Hill. Numerous lorryloads of stone were required, 1) to furnish backing for the dam, and 2) to build an access road for lorries to transport the large volume of concrete - 30 cubic metres altogether - to fill the space created between the sheet piling and the dam face.

Pouring such a large quantity of concrete in a continuous flow requires special equipment. PWD turned to Gordon Forbes, who, using their concrete batch mixer at Gordon Lines, were able to supply five lorryloads, six cubic metres at a time. With the new access road in place, the concrete was poured as a continuous process on Monday morning, using Gordon Forbes' two "concrete" lorries. The temporary dam was then pushed against the repaired wall for further reinforcement, the pump hoses were withdrawn, and the water regained its normal level. By Tuesday noon, less than five days after work had commenced,



Neil McKay's excavator driving in piles probably, in the estimation of DPW, Mr. Brian Jarvis-Hill, for another fifty years.

the Stanley water system, which supplies 100,000 gallons per day, was again working trouble-free.

Stanley House opens its doors to Chilean students for the very first time

FOUR bright young teenagers, two boys and two girls, and a teacher from the British School in Punta Arenas, arrived by DAP on Friday, February 24 to spend a month in the Stanley school system, to polish up their English, and, in the case of the teacher, compare school systems.

They have come as guests of the British Foreign Office.

The project stems from an ap-

proach to Chilean schools made two years ago by Director of Education Phyllis Rendell. Aside from the principal benefit of such an arrangement - the sharing of cultures and development of friendship between youngsters of different nationalities - there promised to be a small boost in revenue from the visitors' residence in the hostel.

Although Chilean schools were

not attracted to the scheme, the British Foreign Office considered it sufficiently worthwhile to both promote and finance it in the British School in Punta Arenas, where interest in the Falklands was considerably greater than in schools further north. Teenagers and teachers alike were invited to submit essays in English on what they would hope to gain from such an experience, and related topics. The winners, whose airfare, board and room have been paid by the British Embassy in Santiago, are the five who arrived on Friday: Pupils - Audrey Gomez, Macarena Palma, Matias Yacsich, and Josian Yaksic, and teacher - Sr. Rodrigo Siron, who teaches English as a foreign language (and for whom the Embassy has not been charged board).

They join Constanze Kuschel, daughter of Chilean MP Sr. Carlos Kuschel, who was sent over privately by her father in early February for a month and a half in the school system.

Present plans are to have the visiting children participate in the standard school regime in mornings only. Afternoons are planned to include visits - for example, to Government House, the Fisheries Department, Falklands Conservation, the Museum, and to Rincon

Grande for a barbecue - and other special activities.

Speaking on Monday, the children were obviously happy about the school, and their reception. Most of them already had friends - pen pals - among the Falklands children, facilitated by Spanish Teacher Jaime Correa, who had put local children in touch with pupils in the British school in Punta Arenas, where he had taught prior to his employment in the Stanley school.

Visiting teacher Rodrigo Siron was especially grateful for their wonderful reception. "I would like to thank all the people we have met. They have been very kind and helpful," he said, adding that many of them had taken pictures of them, which they also appreciated.

Mrs. Rendell hopes to see the idea develop as an exchange relationship between families.

"I would like to see, from this, that links develop, and that families invite Chilean students to stay with them," - and, she added, that Falkland Islands children are invited to stay with Chilean families.

In the end, she feels, the more we know about one another's cultures, the better.



L to R: Josian, Audrey, Constanze, Sr. Siron, Macarena and Matias

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Falkland Islands Government invites tenders for the maintenance of Landscaping, Stanley Area for a period up to beginning of June 1995.

Tender documents are available from the Secretariat and tenders endorsed 'Landscaping Stanley Area' should be returned to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat on or before 3pm on Friday 10th March 1995.

The Falkland Islands Government reserves the right to reject any tender received.

Only tenders submitted on the official tender documents will be considered.

The Secretariat, Stanley
28 February 1995
Tender No. 251

Ref: PWD/13/5
PN No. 35/95

Farming round-up for 1994/5 season

IN THE LAST couple of weeks the majority of farmers reached the end of the shearing season apart from those at the tail end of the contract shearers travels.

There was general consensus that the season went fairly well despite a slight drop in wool weights due to bad winter weather causing sheep loss in some areas.

Parts of the West suffered in particular the loss of young sheep and breeding ewes. However the Bonners of Pickthorne farm reported that although wool weights had dropped slightly amongst younger sheep, the older sheep had thrived and if anything their wool weights had risen.

Others on the East and West had a slight drop in wool weights due to the product being cleaner than past years.

Lambing percentages showed a consistent drop in comparison to last year and this was generally attributed to the severe snowy weather in September/October.

On the West, Main Point showed a drop of 13.5% and Little Chartres were down 15%, whilst Port Stephens who had very little snow only dropped 6%.

On the East, Carol and Terrance Phillips at Hope Cottage described lambing as the worst they had experienced for years, the result being 56%, compared with 65% last year.

Neil Watson at Long Island had an overall 62% which was also down on last year and this figure itself was boosted by a satisfying 115% amongst his stud flock.

Robin Goodwin of Greenfield Farm plus a few others had not yet completed shearing but expected to do so shortly (depending on the arrival of the contractors). Robin was optimistic regarding his lambing percentage as he had recently begun to move back from stock with Merino blood to the hardier Corredales (prompted to these measures by consistently low lambing).

On the subject of different breeds, at Little Chartres the first of this seasons Suffolk Polwarth cross table lambs have just been killed and are achieving dressed weights of 11 to 13Kgs, with one exception at 17.7Kgs.

The mixture of rain and sun have provided good grass and the lambs appear to have grown well after weaning.

In conclusion, the farming community was not downhearted with this last season, despite the results of the winter weather; as many had anticipated much worse. With the shearing season out of the way they now await the promised rise in wool prices, described by one as "at last the light at the end of a very long tunnel".

Argentinian tour offer for 16 Islanders

IN a gesture reminiscent of the "Charm Offensive" of the late seventies, a free holiday in Buenos Aires has been offered to a group of up to sixteen Islanders by the Argentine television company Canal 9.

It would be intended that the group would travel initially by DAP to Punta Arenas, before flying to Buenos Aires via Santiago.

The offer was apparently described by the company's spokesperson, Monica Dean as a gesture which would "allow Islanders to get to know Argentines better and allay many of the fears which we know they have".

There is a slight catch to this offer, which would include city tours and visits to beaches and mountains. The group would be expected to appear on a Wednesday evening television show screened to a large nation-wide audience.

Clr Wendy Teggart was apparently the first to be

approached by Canal 9, but, as was reported earlier in the week on FIBS, she told Monica Dean that she would not visit Argentina until that country dropped its claim to sovereignty over the Falklands.

Mrs Jenny Forrest of Fortuna Ltd., an Islander who was educated in Argentina in the 70's, had a warning for any Islanders who might consider a television appearance a small price to pay for a good holiday:

"I wouldn't take up the offer because I spent 5 years there. I was interviewed as a child by Television Channel 11, and before we went on the air they asked us some questions which they promised they would not put on the air because they were about political matters not suitable for an 11-year old child, but when we went on the air they asked them anyway.

I don't need to see any more of Argentina, and I don't need any more sneaky interviews"

Governor's Summary of ExCo Meeting on Tuesday, February 28

Councillors say "No" to Megabid Abattoir site

THE following is taken from the summary of the meeting of ExCo on February 28, prepared by HE the Governor, Mr David Tatham, to whom go our thanks.

This was a substantial ExCo with 29 items on the agenda. We started at 9.00 in the morning and ended just before 6 o'clock. Councillors Edwards, Teggart and Halford were present.

Cable & Wireless

In matters arising the Chief Executive briefed us on his meeting with the two Cable & Wireless representatives who have been visiting the Islands and mentioned his meeting with the company in London later in March. He will again set out our concerns on the cost of calls to Britain, on the inadequate Camp telephone system and on the new earth station and we shall see what Cable & Wireless is prepared to offer on these questions. The Chief Executive also mentioned a consultant's report on the Mount Pleasant road which proposed that the road could be black-topped during two working seasons using PWD resources.

National Stud Flock

The Stud Flock was briefly discussed. At present half the flock is at Goose Green and some of the sheep are to be sold shortly. The Department of Agriculture is preparing recommendations on where the flock should be based permanently and these will be put to the National Stud Flock Advisory Committee, and then to Falkland Landholdings. Councillors will then be invited to approve the proposals.

Proposed Abattoir

One of the principle subjects discussed in the main agenda was the abattoir and Mr Ian Dempster of FIDC was present for this part of the meeting. Councillors agreed in principle that a new abattoir should be constructed using European Community STABEX funds. But they asked FIDC to seek the formal views of the Corporation's Board on their proposal, and also to circulate it more widely among farmers. Councillors felt that the proposed site near Megabid was not an appropriate one and asked FIDC to prepare further details of other sites, in particular that at Pony's Pass.

Census

It was agreed that a census should be held in 1996, five years since the last census. £10,000 will

be allocated for this operation in the next financial year.

Shackleton Scholarship Fund

I briefed Councillors on preparations made in Britain for the Shackleton Scholarship Fund and Council agreed that contributions to the Fund would be matched, pound for pound, by the Falkland Islands Government up to a total of £100,000.

Argentine Propoganda

The Chief Executive reported on his negotiations with public relations companies and it was agreed that it was important to counter Argentine propaganda in the United Kingdom and elsewhere in the world, and to maintain staunch support for the Islands in Parliament and among the public in Great Britain. After study of the five companies on the shortlist, Councillors agreed that Shandwick should be selected to present the Falklands case.

International Conferences

The attendance of several senior officials at various international conferences was agreed. The Attorney-General will be going to a meeting of law officers of small Commonwealth countries in Namibia in September. The Senior Crown Counsel will be taking time off from leave to attend the Red Ensign Conference in the Isle of Man. The Red Ensign Group is an association of British territories whose registered vessels are entitled to fly the red ensign - during this discussion it emerged that the Falkland Islands now have the largest deep sea fishing fleet tonnage sailing under the red ensign, which was news to me and very encouraging. It was also agreed that the senior scientist at the Department of Agriculture, Mr Aidan Kerr, should attend an international range land conference in Salt Lake City in the United States.

MPA Passenger Terminal

A number of consultancy proposals were discussed. Councillors agreed that a feasibility study for the expansion of the passenger terminal at Mount Pleasant should be undertaken by the British consultants, Halcrow. The increasing number of passenger exchanges for cruise vessels on direct flights from Santiago has produced problems for the movement staff at Mount Pleasant and we want to see

if there is a way of easing these by adjusting the passenger terminal. HQBFFI are cooperating in this study.

Public Works

It was agreed that another firm of British consultants, Booker & Hopkins, should examine the management structure at Public Works Department. Proposals for a study of FIGAS will be discussed at the next management meeting of FIGAS on 28 March.

Environmental Issues

We looked at a range of environmental questions. The Director of Fisheries presented the report of FENTAG, the Falkland Environmental Task Group, which has been studying the possible impact of oil on our environment. It was agreed that we should proceed with baseline studies and the first priorities were set out as: desk studies; a shallow marine survey; the extension of the Seabird Monitoring Programme; and the coordination of the work of the Fisheries Department, the Agriculture Department and Falklands Conservation where this was appropriate. Councillors recognised that baseline survey work will require a commitment to funding; a modest amount may be required in this financial year, but most will fall in the three financial years between 1995 and 1998. It was agreed that the baseline studies should be put out to tender, both locally and overseas. Potential contractors could bid for the entire survey or for particular modules of it. The Agriculture Department, the Fisheries Department, Falklands Conservation, and other local groups would all be encouraged to bid for those sections of the baseline survey in which they have appropriate experience.

Falkland Conservation

Councillors agreed to Falklands Conservation's request for funding for the next financial year. The sum agreed was £56,000 and Councillors have particularly asked me to point out that in British terms this would represent a Government contribution of over £1 billion to conservation. So FIG is in fact paying generously to enable Falklands Conservation to help with the protection of our environment.

The Bins Committee

Also on the environment, we considered the interim report of the Waste Management Group -

sometimes referred to as "The Bins Committee". It was agreed that the Committee should pursue studies into the purchase of a wheely-bin system complete with special garbage collection lorry to replace the 40 gallon drums which stand outside everyone's houses today. They should also prepare detailed proposals for the management of a garbage collection system - whether this should be done by government or put out to private tender. They should look further at the possibility of segregating waste, the possibilities of incinerating waste and in particular the collection of waste oils from ships garages and so on, for use in incinerators, or at the market garden.

Dental Care

Proposals for increased dental care were agreed by Councillors. A second full-time dentist will be appointed as well as a dental nurse and a receptionist and a dental hygienist, although the last would be only part-time. The Dental Department will be segregated from the Hospital for management reporting purposes.

Fisheries Advisory Committee

Executive Council agreed to revive the Fisheries Advisory Committee under the interim chairmanship of the Chief Executive, who will prepare a mission statement - a statement of objectives - for the Committee.

Stamp Collection

The proposal to purchase Mr Nutt Cartmell's stamp collection was turned down by Councillors.

Oil Management Team

The Chief Executive reported on the recent work of the Oil Management Team and the objectives which he and the Falklands delegation had set themselves for the visit to Houston for the Annual Conference of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists.

Garden Sheds

Finally, Council also looked at the possible provision of Garden Sheds for FIG houses with no outdoor storage. It was agreed that the private sector should be invited to tender for the supply of such sheds.

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Last month we also received news of the death in Hythe, Kent, on December 27 1994, of Joyce Clement, aged 96 years

Marriages:

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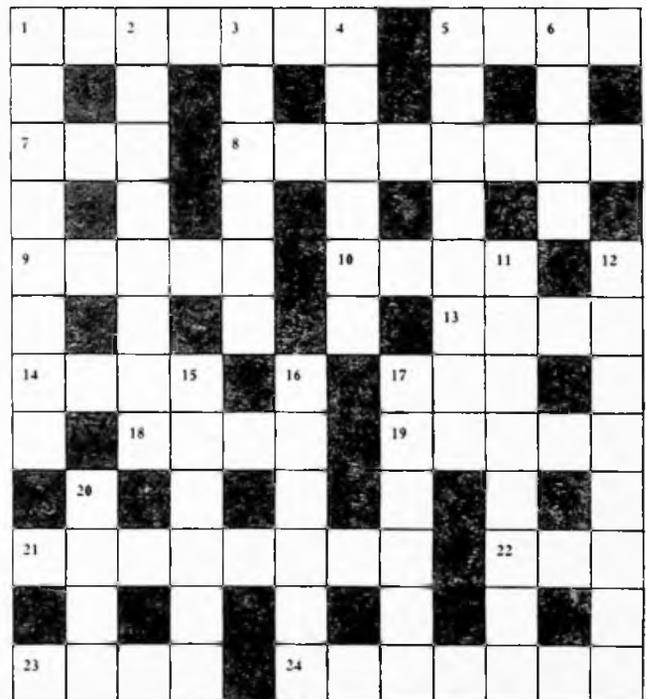
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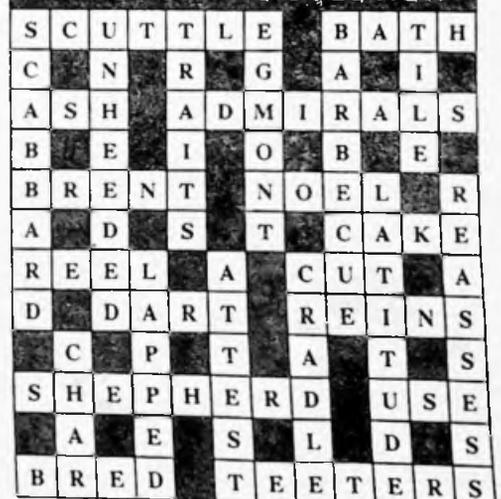
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LAST MONTH'S SOLUTION



The counting game

by Mike Bingham of Falkland Conservation

LAST YEAR, separate Falklands Conservation reports for Gento, Rockhopper and Magellanic penguins published in Penguin News, showed how all of these penguin species have declined in recent years. Copies of Falklands Conservation's Seabird Monitoring Programme Report of 1994 which showed the same results, were also circulated to all interested parties and lodged in the local library. It was therefore surprising to see in the 11th February issue of Penguin News, a report that in reply to a question regarding the Rockhopper decline put to the Foreign Secretary, his spokesman (Mr. Baldry) stated that no other penguins were declining, and cited Falklands Conservation's monitoring programme as the source of such information!

Questions we are often asked about our monitoring programme is how the counts are made, and why they are given as pairs.

Birds which nest in colonies are by far the easiest to count. Once all the colonies have been identified, it is just a matter of visiting a selection of these sites each year to determine any changes taking place.

Counts are made during the incubation period, when birds on nests can be counted to give the number of breeding pairs. Not only are the nests easier to count than individual birds because they don't move around, but the number of pairs will be consistent by day and in a stable colony year by year.



Gentoo chicks on Carcass Island

By contrast the number of actual birds in a colony will constantly change, often increasing during the course of the day as adults return from feeding trips, and this figure is therefore too variable to allow comparison.

Birds which do not breed in colonies are far more difficult to count, and it is for this reason that virtually no such counts were made until recently.

The coastal bird populations can be determined by very detailed surveys of sufficiently long sections of the coastline and adjoining terrestrial zone, counting every single bird. Falklands Conservation have recently completed such a survey for the entire coastline surrounding Berkeley Sound. This survey can be repeated in several years time to determine any changes in populations of Steamer duck, Kelp geese, Oystercatchers, Seals/Sea lions, and all other birds restricted to the

coastal zone.

Birds not found or not restricted to the coastal zone, such as Upland geese, Thrushes, Pipits etc. are even more difficult to count, and cannot be counted in the conventional way due to their widespread distribution. Instead their abundance is determined by counting the numbers of each species found in transects (long lines of set width), the width of which is set according to the species and terrain (from 10 metres to 250 metres). The area of the transect studied is then multiplied up to match that of the total area in which each species is distributed, to give a population estimate. This is clearly a less exact method than actually counting the whole population, and its accuracy is largely dependant on using transects of sufficient length. In Berkeley Sound the transect lengths walked for most of these species was well in excess of 100 Kilometres (60m)

Falklands Cookery by Jenny Luxton

THE TRADITIONAL breakfast in the Camp when I was a child (many moons ago...), was mutton chops and doughfries. Like many people now I don't eat a cooked breakfast, supposing I got up early enough to cook it, but I do cook this as our evening meal, which is one of my boys favourites.

Put chops in a pan. Season with salt and pepper and Lea & Perrins sauce (liberally) An onion can be added

Cook slowly for a couple of hours until crisp (some people prefer to fry their chops, in this case they take less time)

When cooked make a thick gravy from the pan juices

Doughfries

These were made on bread baking day and left over dough is used

Mix dough to instructions on dried yeast packet (I use 2 packets to their stated one, a tip from my sister-in-law Pat, who makes wonderful bread)

Roll out to about a quarter of an inch thick, cut into triangles. Shallow fry in oil until brown and puffed up, turn over and do other side

Serve chops and doughfries with hot gravy - save some of the doughfries and eat as pudding with golden syrup.

Terribly fattening but very enjoyable!

Diddle-dees stewed

This year seems to be a particularly good year.

Per lb. of berries three quarters of sugar and a little water, stew until tender, cool and serve with fresh cream.

For Diddle-dee jam - per lb. of berries/1lb sugar and stew until setting point.

1917.

Stamps not on envelopes bearing New Island cancellations are currently fetching \$40 at auction. Complete envelopes, genuinely used for postal purposes are valued in excess of £800. Envelopes produced for philatelists are valued at £500 and a number of backdated and forged stamps and envelopes exist.



Final episode in our serialisation of one of the Falklands great adventure stories

"How I survived"

by George Hansen
retold by John Leonard

(After over a month at sea on the dismantled cutter, *Progresca*, with the drinking water long finished, only two of the four people aboard, the 15 year old narrator, George Hansen and the Skipper, Archie Miller, are still in anything like good shape.)



WHIPPED UP by the thunderstorm, the sea tossed us around for two more days. On the third, to our relief, it was clear and quiet. Archie and I thought it might help John and Jim to get them on deck in the sunshine for a while. We brought John up first, seating him in the dinghy, with a can for bailing so he would have something to do.

A FATAL MISTAKE

That turned out to be a fatal mistake. As soon as our backs were turned, John put the can to his mouth and drank. Before we could stop him he had taken several long swallows of sea water, and would have gone right on drinking if we hadn't taken the can away.

We brought him back to the cabin and laid him in his place on the ballast (the wooden bedsteads had long since been chopped up for firewood), while he raved and cursed us for not letting him go on drinking.

A few hours afterwards, while we were tending to John, Jim found an opportunity to crawl up on deck, and he, too, drank a large quantity of sea water before we could stop him. Before long he was raving with John - both of them threatening to tear the boat apart if we didn't give them more sea water to drink, and making helpless, pulling motions at the beams. Despite their shouting, they were now too weak even to crawl. Within a few hours the shouting died down to low mumbling, almost inaudible. Occasionally they would gesture to us pitifully to give them a drink.

Time crawled by painfully. The two men were plainly sinking from moment to moment, but there was nothing we could do for them. Somehow they survived the night, but by morning both were only barely conscious.

During the morning Jim became unconscious. John held on, but his eyes had a glazed look, and toward evening he was only barely breathing. Close to midnight, as Archie and I stood watching him, the breathing stopped.

We laid the body on deck. Archie located some bags, and sticks of pig iron. Silently he left them by the corpse, after which we went below to keep watch on Jim, and get some rest.

At the first light of dawn, Archie was on deck sewing the body and pig iron inside the bagging. When he had finished, I stood beside him

while he read a short prayer out of a small prayer book he had found somewhere. That was all there was to the funeral service. We heaved the body over the side, and it quickly sank out of sight.

Jim's breathing now was almost undetectable. Hurriedly Archie got the distilling rig going and we purified a little water for him, but it made no difference. By mid-afternoon he, too, was dead. We buried him as we had John.

It was a terrible moment when Archie and I looked at one another, after the bodies of our two comrades had gone into the ocean. Here, apparently, was the answer to Archie's courageous optimism: half of us were dead. There was no hope in him now; he could only suggest that it would be his turn next because he was the oldest.

I tried to deny it and cheer him up, but the words stuck in my mouth. Instead, I began thinking what it would be like when Archie, too, had succumbed and I was left alone. What would it be like to bury him? How would it feel as my own strength gradually ebbed, and what would become of my body when it had faded completely? I imagined the *Progresca* drifting ashore, and strangers finding my rotting body in the cabin.

For what reason did we go on struggling to live?

Fortunately, Archie wasn't paralysed by his fear as I was by mine. He continued to move about, chopping wood, doing other little jobs, and it helped to pull both of us out of our despair.

That evening, August 15th, we took our last few drops of water, rinsed out the bottom of the rum bottle, and split it between us. Over six weeks had gone by since disaster struck us, and once again we had nothing but buttons to suck.

The weather was fair; the hot sun broiled us. We continued the lookout, so one of us was always on deck in the sun. The other would be trying to sleep in the cabin, but we found it impossible to get any real rest. How often I dozed, only to wake almost immediately; strained, tense and sweating, with the image of the two dead men before me! Archie always sensed when my spirits sank, and

he would pat me on the back and tell me to grin and bear it; that we must trust in God to help us.

Two more days passed, and the wind freshened again - from the wrong direction. We drifted further to the east, away from the Argentine coast. Once again we saw greyish water intermittently, but it brought us no hope.

Although we were virtually out of firewood, we decided to try distilling water again. All we could find to burn, with our few remaining scraps of wood, was rags, but they were better than nothing. With John and Jim's old clothing added to the pile, we got about a swallow apiece out of it. Later on, a greying sky and heavier clouds gave us some hopes of rain, but it stayed dry.

ONE THING WE PROMISED OURSELVES...WE WOULD NOT DRINK SEA WATER

One thing we promised ourselves: no matter how bad things became, we would not drink sea water. Both John and Jim had tried it, and had died less than 48 hours later. We were quite certain that we would fare no better if we did the same.

Things began to improve the next day. We were clearly in the greyish water, and though Archie couldn't touch bottom with his sounding line, our drift had become consistently northerly. It was fast enough so that we could even steer a bit as well.

All day the wind stayed in our favour. By the following day, the colour change had become so marked that our hopes, so often dashed, again began to rise. As the strong northerly drift continued, we began keeping watch together, and though the wind became a bit more westerly the following day, we were able to steer to the north.

GONE WAS THAT DESPAIR

Now Archie and I were different people. Gone was that despair which had almost reduced us to helplessness. Our strong northerly drift continued, and toward evening of the next day we saw something which made us suspect that our prayers were answered at last - a large cloud hung low on the northwest horizon. This, we knew, might well indicate a land mass.

We became so excited that we both stayed on watch all night.

With the coming of daylight, we definitely saw something ahead of us. Could it be...? We stared and stared, and finally Archie turned to me with tears in his eyes and said it was true: land was in sight after 54 days!

My own eyes filled with tears also, and in my heart I thanked God for watching over us, and for Archie, without whom I could never have survived.

WE WERE DRIFTING.

We were drifting roughly parallel to the coast. What wouldn't we have given then for a sail - any kind of a sail - to pull us toward shore! Nevertheless, Archie said, we were safe as long as the wind didn't start blowing us offshore again. If it did, we would have to take to the dinghy and try rowing ashore.

STARVED TO DEATH

Almost starved to death, dry as a bone, strained and exhausted as we were, we knew a happiness and unity then such as I had never known before, or since. Everything we had been through had brought us so close together that I felt I knew everything going on in Archie, and he in me. How quickly we sensed one another's moods; how keen each of us was to make the other one happy! Though it sounds extreme, I would say the experience was almost worth it to bring one so close in heart to another person.

Late in the afternoon we spotted a point - far ahead, and slightly to windward - by which we could gauge our drift. Although it indicated that we were still heading north, the wind showed signs of slackening. Archie knew this was dangerous; the likelihood was that it would become northerly and blow us out to sea again.

Anxiously we watched as night fell, hoping for some indication of the wind direction, but there was none. Sleep was impossible; we had to remain alert. If the southerly wind were to strengthen, Archie suggested, there was even a chance of our crashing into rocks on the shore.

With the first faint tinges of dawn, we knew the worst: a light northwest wind was blowing us offshore. Land was still in sight, but by noon it might not be. Our choice had been made for us.

We loaded the dinghy with everything we thought we might need: spyglass, bucket, blankets, lead lines, weather glass, rifle and bullets. Archie left a note inside the old iron stove for anyone who might discover the *Progresca*. At about nine o'clock we were ready to shove off.

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Falklands Philatelic by S.G.

The New Island Post Office

SHEEP FARMING, guano extraction, penguin oil production and sealing had been carried out on New Island since the 1850's but in 1907 the whaling companies arrived. In 1908 Messrs. Salvesen and Company of Leith erected a whaling factory at South Harbour.

By the following year the industry had expanded to such an extent that it became necessary to establish a post office, and a

Deputy Postmaster was put in charge. The first of six postmasters appointed was Arthur Kirwan. Two of Kirwan's successors, Edward Binnie and William Barlas, subsequently worked on South Georgia. Barlas was killed by avalanche on South Georgia in 1941.

The New Island date stamp was despatched from London in October 1909 and probably reached its destination at the end of that year.

It is the only one in which 'Islands' is contracted to 'Is'

Whaling around the Falklands was soon found to be uneconomic when compared to South Georgia, and in 1916 Salvesens closed down its whaling station and moved the machinery to Leith in South Georgia. New Island was allowed to return to its sheep farming and isolation. The New Island Post Office ceased business on June 1st



The whaling station at New Island in operation

(Continuing from overleaf, the final instalment of our true-life adventure "How I Survived", by George Hansen, retold by John Leonard.)

CAUTIOUSLY we lowered the dinghy over the side. I gave hardly a thought to the dangers we faced; we might be swamped, or find ourselves too exhausted to row ashore, or a dozen other catastrophes might strike us. We only knew that aboard the cutter the likelihood was that once again we would be blown out to sea, and perhaps die before we could reach land. It was now or never.

Rowing wasn't quite as hard on us as I expected it to be, though it was tough enough. We would row a short time, take a brief rest, and then row again. Our target was the point we had picked out previously, now plainly in view. Hours passed, and by evening we were getting well in towards shore.

In the darkness we continued rowing, occasionally striking one of our few matches to check the compass. The night was clear enough for us to distinguish the shoreline; toward midnight it seemed to be quite close.

Abruptly we found ourselves in breakers. Crash! a giant wave almost filled us up, and on its heels came another. Within a few seconds we were practically swamped. Working like madmen, we heaved everything over the side to raise the dinghy. For a time it was touch and go, but then slowly - painfully slowly - she came up, and Archie began bailing her out with our lone bucket. Within a few minutes, though soaked wet and frozen, we were out of danger.

Fortunately our oars were pinned in the oarlocks; had it not been for that, we would have lost them and begun drifting away. Were there any more disasters ahead, I wondered? Would we really make it, or would our hopes be smashed, now that we had come so close?

Then, ahead in the darkness, I saw a light!

What a wonderful sight it was - the first light we had seen since Archie took a bearing on Cape Pembroke lighthouse so many weeks earlier. It seemed some distance away, but there was no holding us back now. Putting everything we had into it, we rowed toward that light. With the coming of dawn, we found it attached to the stem of a large merchant vessel, which we were approaching.

We pulled up to her and shouted for help. Almost immediately a face peered down at us from the deck, we heard some Spanish words, and the gangway was lowered. Archie tried his best to climb it, but that last pull had used up what little strength we had left; we simply couldn't make it. Seeing how helpless we were, they sent two men down to assist us, and a



This very faded picture shows Archie and George after rescue in Chubut

short time later we found ourselves standing on the deck of an Argentine freighter.

A man spoke to us in Spanish, but Archie understood only a few words, and I none at all. Moments later the Captain appeared, but he, too, spoke no English. He then ordered the crew up on deck. One of them stepped forward and, in halting English, told us that he was the Chief Engineer and would translate for us.

Gratefully we told him about our shipwreck and our weeks of drifting at sea. There was a certain suspiciousness in his manner which puzzled us until, after we had finished our story, he asked us if we had been sealing. Then we understood. They suspected us of seal poaching in Argentine waters! It had become commonplace; not long before another Falkland Islander had been convicted of it and sentenced to a year in prison.

In view of our language problems, we thought it best to deny any connection with sealing, though our activities would have been far removed from Argentine waters. The equipment remaining in the dinghy was far from incriminating, and they seemed inclined to accept our story. A little later the Captain arranged for us to be brought to the galley and given

something to eat and drink.

Welcome as it was, that meal was a bizarre way to break a long fast: shrimps, fried on top of the stove, and hot canja, a drink somewhat stronger than gin! With trembling fingers we peeled and ate the shrimps, while the crew hovered about us with sympathetic faces. The canja was served to us in hot water sweetened with sugar; we had about a cup each. I can hardly remember them leading us to bed afterward.

Archie reacted badly to the canja; he vomited almost immediately, and shortly afterward wandered about, completely delirious. Eventually they persuaded him to take some coffee and return to bed, and after four or five hours sleep he awoke feeling much better. As for me, I slept twenty hours straight, so soundly that for a time they feared the drink of canja had been too much for me. There was general relief when I finally woke up.

We were told that it would be a week until the tide permitted the ship to enter the River Chubut. Meanwhile, the skipper sent for the Captain of the Port, who came out with a doctor. Barely able to get out of bed, we spoke to them in the saloon, with the Chief Engineer again interpreting for us.



George Hansen in later life, behind the bar in the Colony Club

to us. However, our accommodation in the Port Captain's home was comfortable, bordering on sumptuous, and we were made to feel very much at home. Our host took us along when he went out to inspect ships entering the river, it was a most enjoyable stay; indeed we were deeply impressed with the friendliness and hospitality we had encountered in Argentina.

The Captain of the Port was a stout, friendly fellow who, after questioning us, told us we would have to go through a routine court of inquiry to clear us of any suspicion of seal poaching. He then invited us to be his guests, once the ship had entered the river, until the inquiry could be held, and we gratefully accepted his offer.

We then had a medical examination, following which the doctor told us that we were in very bad shape indeed! He gave us both injections, prescribed a strict diet, and warned that we should take no more than an hour a day out of bed until we were ready to go ashore.

However, we felt much better when at last the ship entered the river. We were put ashore a few miles upriver, where the Port Captain lived. It was a sad moment when we left the vessel; both captain and crew had been truly kind

However, we were anxious to get back home, and it was a relief to learn that the court of inquiry was to be held just across the river.

Our problem was once again the matter of translation. The interpreter appointed for us was an old Turk whose English was fragmentary, to say the least, and after a short time I could tell that he was more likely to get us convicted than acquitted. Fortunately the judge recognised our problem, and the court was adjourned until we could obtain a better interpreter.

Meanwhile, we were treated well - the authorities not only gave us accommodation in a Naval Depot, but fitted us out with extra clothing (up to then we only had what we stood up in).

Bilingual personalities were not that easy to find, but by a remarkable coincidence we ran into a Mr. Hayes who had actually worked in the Falklands, and for whom my father had once served as a foreman. He was happy to represent us, and once the court of inquiry resumed we were quickly cleared, and free to return to the Falklands on the next available vessel.

(While this is the end of the story of George's epic sea journey, there was to be a tragic sequel to the tale, which occurred before he was to see the Falklands again. We shall print this in our next edition of *Penguin News*)

Timber - Building Materials - Timber

S.A.M.S. Ltd at the Boat House now have in stock the following quality timber and building materials at very competitive prices. DISCOUNTS for all cash sales.

Skirting/Architrave 1x2@95p/m 1x3@£1.20/m 1x4@£1.60/m
Shiplap, quality pine exterior cladding 1x5 @£1.60/m
Sawn Timber 2x6 @£2.80/m, 2x3 @£1.40/m
Battens for roofing/cladding 1x1½ @55p/m
T&G Pine Flooring 1x5 @£1.95/m

Also available: nails, galvanised straps, plasterboard tape, filler, finisher, coving, interior doors, UPVC windows

Call into the Boat House or phone Dave or Carol Eynon on 21145 or 21144.

Public Notice

Applications are invited for the post of Caretaker in the Falkland Islands Community School. This is an unestablished hourly paid post. Working hours will total 40 per week which will include weekends and unsocial hours.

The Caretaker will be responsible to the Headteacher for security and supervision of cleaning staff. Duties will include minor repairs, cleaning and maintenance within the school building and sports facilities and general tidiness of the grounds and playing fields. Rate of pay ranges from £3.72 per hour to £4.11 per hour. Conditions of employment will be as per the Wages Agreement.

Application forms are available from the Secretariat and further details can be obtained from the Headteacher, FICS during normal working hours.

Completed application forms should be returned to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat by 4.30 pm on Wednesday 8th March 1995.

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2 March 1995

Public Notice No: 37/95

South Atlantic Plumbing Services

South Atlantic Plumbing Services have a vacancy for an apprentice plumber. First class training will be given in all aspects of plumbing and heating work in new and old buildings. Ideal opportunity for a school leaver wishing to become a craftsman.

Candidate must be prepared to learn to drive. Standard government rates of pay will apply. Interested persons please apply in writing, enclosing school 'Records of Achievement' to:-

Roger Howells
South Atlantic Plumbing Services
112 Davis Street
Stanley

Applications to be received by 10th March 1995

Goodwin Offshore makes it 3



Governor exchanges flags with Captain Jose Gonzales

IN THE THIRD reflagging ceremony to take place in a month, carried out on board *MFV El Greco*, Goodwin Offshore Ltd. have significantly added to a new, potentially far more profitable trend in Falklands fisheries investment.

During the ceremony on board *MFV El Greco* on February 27, HE Governor David Taiham handed the British flag to the Captain, Jose Gonzales, and received back from him the Spanish flag on behalf of the new owners, Freiwil Ltd., a Joint Venture Company between Goodwin Offshore Ltd. and Freiremar, of Spain, in which Goodwin Offshore hold 51% of the shares.

Among the attending dignitaries was Sr. Freire, Executive Manager of Freiremar, and Sr. Blanco, a Freiremar director, both of whom are directors of the new company. Also present were the Goodwin Offshore directors of the new company: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kluzniak, and Mrs. Margaret Goodwin.

A number of invited guests attended the ceremony on board the *El Greco*.

A convivial reception for some 80 guests was held later at the Upland Goose Hotel, where Sr. Freire presented each guest with a gift and a memento of the occasion.

Children walk for charity

A WONDERFUL effort by 40 Girl Guides, Brownies, and Rainbows has raised £589.42 for the world-wide charity, "Children In Need".

Revenue from the sponsored walk, which took place before Christmas, was transmitted in full to the UK by Standard Chartered Bank on Tuesday, February 28.

Organised by Brownies leader Marilyn Grimmer, the walk, from the Guides Hall to Surf Bay, took place in the face of high winds and rain, but there were no dropouts. For the crowning picnic planned

for the sunny sands of Surf Bay, however, the children retreated to the shelter of a number of vehicles which accompanied them.

Reliable reports indicate that the sandwiches and sausage rolls tasted almost - almost - as good as they would have on the beach.

Antarctic Mercy Dash

Stanley Services Ltd

Statement of Intent

Whilst the directors of Stanley Services Limited wish to make it known that they consider the Company has the legal right to sell any product that they consider in its interests, their current strategic intention is to keep to the core business that has been established.

In doing so, Stanley Services Ltd will be seeking to add to its retail sales only those products which are clearly energy related or can be found normally in a filling station environment in the UK.

IN A mercy mission organised at very short notice, the *BAS DASH 7* aircraft collected a tourist with a broken hip from Rothera Base and flew her to Punta Arenas on Saturday, February 25.

The services of the *BAS* plane, which had reached Stanley on February 23, were called upon after the injured lady, who had been on an Antarctic cruise, was transferred to the *BAS* base for emergency evacuation.

Permission for the *DASH-7* to fly through Argentine air space on its return from Punta Arenas to Stanley was refused because of insufficient prior notice; however, the plane avoided Argentine territory on its return and landed safely at Stanley.

It is understood that the patient was flown back to the U.S.A.

DIARY OF A FARMER'S CAT by B. Wilkinson

The missus the sewing machine and the assorted junk are back

SHE'S BACK. She's home. So's the knitting machine and the assorted junk that goes with it. And so's the fraught atmosphere, the arguments and the debates. Sheesh.... It was so peaceful for those days, and now we're back to normality - or what passes for normality in this household.

I really thought the Missus'd be sick of knitting by now, and so did the Boss. But it seems this was just the start of things, and there's worse to come. Good grief. Will it never end??

Ah, well. Guess I'll just turn my back, have a good wash'n'brush-up, and try to ignore the arguments between the Boss - who's somewhat the worse for wear after sports, which means he had a good time - and the Missus - who's totally whacked after her knitting marathon. They'll never learn, will those two. Why they can't shake paws and agree to differ is beyond me. Beats me how they've stayed together for so long...

The boat's due soon, I've heard, and the Boss has been pressing the last few bales of wool. He still has the coloured sheep to shear, and I won't repeat what he calls 'em. I don't think the Ed. would print it, anyway...

Why they call 'em 'coloured' sheep is something I've often puzzled over. You'd expect 'coloured' sheep to be pink, green or yellow, wouldn't you? Striped,

even, or possibly paisley-patterned? Delicate blush rose, or vivid purple? Instead of which they are just boring old black, grey or tabiano. (Piebald, to you newcomers.) Ought to be done by the Trades Description Act....

The language the Boss comes out with when he shears 'em has to be heard to be believed. Apparently it's harder to see what's wool and what's skin than when he's shearing the common-or-garden white sheep, so it takes him longer to do each one. All the white wool has to be safely out of harm's way before he can start, and while he's shearing 'em the Missus hovers with a Hoover (nice image, that) ready to dispose of all the little frubby bits that could endanger next season's white wool clip. She gets that anxious about it all she practically quivers - us cats enjoy watching from the sidelines, hoping something will go wrong and 'coloured' wool explode across the shearing floor....

I expect the Boss will go 'straggling' white sheep before he does the coloured sheep, which would give us a lull before the storm. He knows where there's a small bunch of roughie ewes to catch up on, but they seem to have a sixth sense and always vanish into thin air whenever he's out looking for 'em. They appear only when someone is passing through the farm to reach the neighbours, or when the Boss hasn't got a dog with him. I

suppose it's Murphy's Law in action yet again - just like sheep dying on or near the public track, nine times out of ten, rather than snuffing it tactfully in some more remote corner of the camp. Maybe he'll give up, and let 'em come in as double-fleecers next season....

Anyway, enough of this waffle. I'd expected the Missus to take over the Diary once she got home, but there's little chance of that happening now she's got the knitting bug again. So yours truly is lumbered, it seems, and you'll just have to lump it. I suppose you do read this, don't you?? If not, I'm wasting my time and might as well get some extra sleep in....

PS: Young Ernest phoned again. Seems he drowned his sorrows after the Clothes Show rejection by going on a pub crawl. He can only vaguely remember the first part of it, but remembers coming to his senses again in the gutter outside the Globe. There was a large policeman looming over him with a notebook, licking a pencil and muttering "Ello, 'ello, what have we 'ere?" - so he unscrambled his brains pretty sharpish and legged it for home. He's not daft, our Ernest....

Cheers, chays -

Love, Baldrick

Baldrick

78 Squadron to the rescue

MILITARY rescue services were again in action on February 27 after receiving word from FISHOPS that a crewman aboard the Chilean fishing trawler *FV Betanzos* had suffered two broken legs when he was trapped against a hatch cover by a fishing net. The trawler had been fishing west of Beauchene Island for Loligo squid and, according to a release from the P.I. Officer, HQBFFI, was approximately 20 miles south southwest of George Island, in heavy seas and winds gusting to 40 knots, with an ETA for Stanley of 5:00am on February 28, when the emergency message was received.

Accordingly, a Sea King Search and Rescue helicopter of 78 Squadron, Captained by Flight Lieutenant Haydn Williams was launched at 6:15pm, according to the release, and soon reached the *Betanzos*. In hazardous weather conditions, Winchman Flight Sergeant Pete Joyce was lowered to the ship and treated the injured man, who was then winched back up to the helicopter at about 8:00pm and taken to KEMH, landing at 8:42pm.

Commenting afterward, Flight Lieutenant Williams spoke of an hour and fifteen minutes spent over a ship tossing in "waves as big as houses".

Other members of the crew were the Co-pilot, Flying Officer Ben Brennan and Winch Operator Flight Sergeant Mick Cross.

THE SAME Sea King Crew were in action again at 8:00am on the following morning to transfer a seriously ill patient, a Spaniard from a fishing vessel, from KEMH to MPA, where he and a medical team boarded a C130 Hercules aircraft of 1312 Flight and flew to Montevideo.

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UK NEWSLETTER By Sir Rex Hunt

Sir Rex puts the ice into perspective if not into the Antarctic G & T

ANTARCTICA has been attracting attention recently from the British press, which tells us that a large iceberg the size of Oxfordshire has broken off the Larsen ice shelf and is heading your way. Oxfordshire is about 1100 square miles. That is roughly a third of the size of the last big iceberg to sail past the Falkland Islands in 1991. We spotted it well to the north of you when we flew down for the tenth anniversary of Liberation Day in 1992. It was, of course, much smaller than when it had started out the size of Cyprus from the Weddel Sea in the late 1980's.

More significant is the evidence from BAS that ice sheets once considered permanent are now disintegrating. For the first time in recorded history, you can sail around James Ross Island. I remember Captain Pat McLaren parking HMS Endurance on the north edge of the then permanent ice

sheet that joined James Ross Island to the mainland, lowering the gangway and giving the ships crew a run ashore. In glorious sunshine, some kicked a football about and two keen golfers hit balls (old ones, I hope) while Mavis and I sat and sipped gin-and-tonics with the Senior Rates under colourful sunshades that would have looked more at home on a tropical beach than an Antarctic ice sheet.

There have been the customary dire warnings. Apparently if all the ice in Antarctica melted, sea levels would rise as much as 200 feet. To put things into perspective, however - even though sea levels are rising twice as fast as scientists had thought, that rise has been only three millimetres a year for the past two years; so people living at sea level need not think of moving yet awhile.

The saddest news for me during the past month also concerned the Antarctic or, to be precise the

faite of the BAS huskies that had been born and reared in the Antarctic. You may have read that half of the 14 huskies flown from Rothera to the Falkland Islands in February 1994, have now died. The latest deaths in northern Canada have been attributed to an infection to which they succumbed within days. As Sir Vivian Fuchs said, 'This would not have happened if they had been left in Antarctica'. They were not left there because over-zealous environmentalists insisted that all alien species should be banned from Antarctica.

I remember with great affection the huskies I met in Rothera in 1984. They fought fiercely with each other but were as docile as kittens with humans. Despite Snocats, they still had their practical uses. As one sledging enthusiast put it, 'Huskies can smell a cravasse ahead, snocats can't'. May the good Lord preserve us

from zealots of any kind, whether they be green or gay, white or black, religious or non-believing, Europhile or Europhobe, Nationalist or Loyalist.... The list goes on, but I want to stop there because the long awaited framework document for the future of Northern Ireland was published last week and it was undoubtedly the most important political event of the past month.

I should not get worked up about loyalist cries of a sell-out. There are three vital safeguards: the political parties must first agree any change; this must then be put to the people of Northern Ireland in a referendum and, finally, it must be agreed by Parliament. There is a long road ahead. The Nationalists see it leading to a united Ireland. The Loyalists do not. We shall have to wait and see, but one thing is clear: progress has to be by consent of the majority of the inhabitants of N. Ireland.



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AS I SEE IT by Gail Steen

It does not take a seer to tell us we need more people

I GUESS most of us can remember the story of the little dutch boy who stuck his finger in the dyke and saved his country from flooding.

I had to smile when I heard the story of the many PWD boys who have been sticking all sorts of things into the hole in the dam on Moody Brook. Not in fear of flooding or to prevent any surge flushing out the polluted harbour but to ensure the good folk of Stanley can continue to enjoy their ablutions on a regular basis.

Apparently 'the problem' has been going on for some time. The dam, like many of us, is getting quite old and the stress and strain of years of pressure at last proved too much for it.

It cracked - sprung a leak - plain washed out!

So - in their own inimitable style - PWD, armed with all the modern equipment prerequisite of such a prestigious gang, set forth to stem the flow.

I heard ingenious methods were employed: clay packed in against the holes, bags of sand, polythene sheeting, concrete, bits of this and that all tried in various amounts and combinations.

Much ruminative headscratching has probably gone on in the quest for a solution to the dammental problem.

They toiled and probably tarried for days, or was it weeks.

They ran an access track across the watercourse, loads of rubble carted from east of Stanley Airport and dumped into the stream.

But never worry it's all shaped and moulded into a track of majestic proportion and it may even get a topping of concrete!

Of course in the winter if we get a good storm and the water level rises, it might just get washed downstream.

That won't be a problem? They even had to call in that chap with the big machines, the chap they call when in a dither, the one listed under 'F' in the telephone directory - Mr Fixit, (thank goodness we've still got one or two) called to the rescue.

Well - maybe it is, maybe it isn't, we'll probably never really know until the tap loses its gleeful gurgle and emits a tearful tinkle.

This exercise could probably be seen as another classic example of saving pennies to spend pounds.

But such problems are no doubt considered to be far above my head. I am probably out of my 'depth'; after all people such as I and possibly you, can not be expected to be capable of grasping the magnitude of the problem, the intricacies of the engineering feats needed to dam a river.

But if I am out of my depth, I'm certainly not wading around on my own.

Similarly many people are leaping with gusto into deep and murky discussions on the abattoir. Stirring stuff indeed from Colin Smith and Andrew Gurr in their letters published in TBE issue 26 vol 6.

Some good points in both views.

The basic questions for me

are:

1. Is the land in its present state suitable for producing a constant supply of quality animals?

2. Beef seems to be favoured - where are they coming from - is anyone raising or contemplating raising beef in sufficient quantity and quality?

When I think of the equation such an operation would need to be truly successful, not just to nibble at the potential land improvement i.e. richer pastures = herds/flocks = of quality animals = the capability to supply any increase in demand - I wonder if we are not getting into a chicken and egg situation?

As Andrew Gurr suggests the Falkland Islands are capable of producing more than one product. The islands could become a thriving farming community.

It is not only meat products we import in vast amounts, what about the amount of vegetables, milk, butter, cream?

All true Falkland Islanders desire to see these islands prosper and not only in money terms.

It is testimony to the determination of islanders that despite past disasters we are still here.

We should not be swayed by the reasoning of the 'if we don't take it now we probably will not get it' type.

If there is a long term comprehensive agricultural development plan which will lead us out of the fairytale realm, into the reality of feeding ourselves and reducing imports, please tell us about it.

From feeding to clothing ourselves. The Clothes Show was a great success, I was very impressed.

I have heard it said that FIDC could not organise a urinary convention in a brewery (brewery - well that's another story) but this time, they scored a hat trick. The idea - its realisation - the Falklander.

None of which would have been possible without the support of many people.

And that is one of the important factors that should be taken into account when anyone talks of development.

We all have a dream of these islands, of what they could become. Many of us dreamt them long before Lord Shackleton (who I believe was a genuinely wise and visionary man) put them into words, on paper, for all people to see.

Times change, things change, but the basic concept has not.

It does not take a seer to tell us that to do this we need more people.

We need extra hands; to work the land, knit the wool, make the jumpers, build the houses, package the products we could produce. Perhaps a long term development/immigration programme all coming together instead of everyone going off at a tangent doing their own thing, could make these things happen.

So what's it to be? The chicken or the egg, or maybe, are we putting the cart before the horse?

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Falkland Islands Government invites tenders from suitably qualified contractors for the fitting of replacement doors to the Dornier hangars at Stanley Airport.

Tender Documents are available from the Secretariat Stanley upon payment of a £50 deposit, refundable on receipt of a bona fide tender.

Tenders endorsed 'Hangar Doors' should be returned to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat to reach him on or before 3pm on Wednesday 15th March 1995.

The Falkland Islands Government reserves the right to reject any tender received.

Only tenders submitted on official tender documents will be considered by the Tender Board.

The Secretariat
Stanley
27th February 1995

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PN 14/94

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Falkland Islands Government invites tenders for the purchase and removal of the old laboratory building situated at the Department of Agriculture, Stanley.

Tender Documents are available from the Secretariat and tenders endorsed 'Purchase of Old Agricultural Laboratory' should be returned to the Chairman of the Tender Board by 17th March 1995.

The Falkland Islands Government reserves the right to reject any tender received.

Only tenders submitted on official tender documents will be considered.

The Secretariat
Stanley

1st March 1995

Tender No.253

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PERSONAL

To everyone at Port Howard - thanks for a great Sports week. A special thanks to Heather and Snoozer at Harps and Danny and Joy at Roy Cove for the overnight stops. From Sybie, Teddy and Marie.

Effie Halliday would like to thank William, Emily, Kathie, Laffi, Patrick, Isobel and Graham and all others that helped or offered help during Tim's short stay in hospital last week.

FIDF Rifle Association

3rd Try and Onyx Box shot over 3.5.600 yards, won by C. Harris. Top scores on the day:

C. Harris 96 + 2.7 = 98.7

P. Peck 92 + 1.3 = 93.3

C. McCallum 92 + 1.3 = 93.3

I. McLeod 91 + 1.4 = 92.4

H. Ford 89 + 3.2 = 92.2

Chris Harris had an excellent shoot scoring 33 and 34 at 3 and 500 yards.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are invited to fill the vacancy for a Senior Clerk in the Public Works Department commencing as soon as possible. Duties of the post involve maintaining accurate financial records, vote control, processing wages and preparing the monthly payroll, in addition to typing using a word processor and general clerical duties. Applicants should have good word processing skills with two to three years' relevant experience within a government department. An aptitude for working with figures would be an advantage. Salary attaching to the post is in Grade G3 ranging from £10,908 per annum to £12,900 per annum. Starting point will be dependent on the successful candidate's relevant qualifications and experience. A full job description and further details can be obtained by contacting the Chief Clerk, Public Works Department on telephone number 27192 during normal working hours. Application forms are available from the Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat no later than 4.30pm on Friday 10th March 1995.

The Secretariat, Stanley
2 March 1995

Ref: STF/3
Public Notice No: 38/95

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Falkland Islands Government invites tenders for the re-decoration of the Fire Station Buildings and Office interiors at the Fire Station, St. Mary's Walk, Stanley.

Tender documents are available from the Secretariat, Stanley, and tenders endorsed "Re-Decoration of the Fire Station" should be returned to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat, to reach him on or before Friday 17th March 1995.

The Falkland Islands Government reserves the right to reject any tender received. Only tenders submitted on official tender documents will be considered.

The Secretariat, Stanley
28 February 1995

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ARTIST'S FINAL VIEW

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kick off 10.30

FIDF v Redsox
kick off 17.30

Redsox v FIDF
kick off 17.30

All Stars v Mustangs
kick off 10.30

POSTSCRIPT FROM THE TABERNACLE

WHAT would you do if your own child was in terrible danger, held kidnapped by an oppressor who had threatened murder? Surely, everything you could to see him released, safe and at peace! Our love for our children motivates us to action. So it is with God.

Many are unaware that the whole human race was kidnapped and is held captive by the devil. He brings calamity, disease and disharmony in marriages, families, communities and nations, while deceiving others with material wealth, security and a false peace. The evidence can be clearly seen worldwide.

But God's love for us is greater than anything we can muster towards our children. *God is love!* That great love expressed itself to the full nearly 2,000 years ago when once, for all time, Jesus Christ, Son of God and God the Son, broke the power and hold of the oppressor. He did it on the

cross of sacrifice - the price for freedom was the laying down of His life. Now it is as if the world is sitting in a prison cell, with the door open!

Take a step into freedom and wholeness. Walk into the magnificent Kingdom of God and enjoy the rich blessings of our loving Father, God. He's opened the door through Jesus, but we must respond by changing camps. Don't stay on a bus to hell and misery - make Jesus Lord of your life and enter into a relationship of love with our great Creator. The door is open and He invites you in. *He loves you!*

God's promises include freedom from fear, debt, disease, depression, guilt, sinful habits and all that the devil can sling at us. Even death has been conquered. Jesus rose again! Thank you God for your tremendous love.

Mike Parkyn

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Greenpeace warning as nuclear waste ship approaches

CLAIMS by the Environmental Movement Greenpeace that a ship carrying 14 tons of the highly radioactive residue of reprocessed nuclear fuel represented a threat to this region equal to "several Chernobyls" met with a relatively low-key response in Stanley today (Friday).

Mike Bingham, of Falkland Conservation said that the degree of risk depended in his view on whether the waste consisted of low-grade material, such as contaminated overalls or materials of a higher grade. If it were the latter it would be of great concern as "accidents could happen".

The ship, *Pacific Pintail*, left Cherbourg in France on February 14 en route to Japan.

According to Greenpeace, *Pacific Pintail* had been refused permission to use the Panama Canal and was heading south, but whether to round Cape Horn or to take an easterly route around the Cape of Good Hope was not certain. Its movements are being monitored by the Greenpeace vessel, *Solo*. On March 9 at 7 am, the *Solo* gave the position of the *Pacific Pintail* as being 12° 12 mins South and 32° 56 mins East, heading South East.

The Governor of the Falklands, Mr David Tatham, said that he believed the ship would pass well to the east of the Falklands. The material was packed in specifically designed containers

constructed to the most stringent standards and he, personally, felt "relaxed about it". Like Director of Fisheries, John Barton, he felt that the passage of the ship was protected by the International Law of the Sea and there was little that could legally be done to impede its progress.

Unsurprisingly, this view is not shared by Greenpeace, who have written to Argentine Minister for International Relations, Fernando Petrella informing him of the voyage and asking that the Argentine Government should do everything possible to prevent the ship passing round Cape Horn. "The use of the Cape Horn Passage is very dangerous", the letter reads. "It demands rigorous navigation and will establish a precedent for future shipments."

Article 41 of the newly revised Argentine Constitution prohibits any ship from carrying nuclear waste in Argentine waters, according to a Congress member quoted in an article by David Cox in the Buenos Aires Herald of March 9, which goes on to say "The true test for Argentina will be whether it will stand up to Japan, which owns the ship. That's a politically delicate issue because Argentina would not want to hurt its critical economic ties with Japan"

According to the report, The *Pacific Pintail* has already outsmarted Brazil and trespassed on its waters, defying a boycott

Dismasted racer's night-time challenge for local launch men

HAVING helped tow in to Stanley Harbour the damaged yacht, *Thursday's Child* at noon on Friday March 3, (see report in PN for March 4), FIC launch men Robin Goodwin and Owen Betts found themselves with a much more difficult task this Tuesday morning when they went to the assistance of Australian competitor in the BOC single-handed round the world yacht race, Alan Nebauer in his yacht *Newcastle*.

For a start it was 3 am in the morning and black dark when *Speedwell* set out from Stanley to find the dismasted yacht, which was reported to be 4 miles east of the Lighthouse and unable to approach Stanley. (Although its make-shift rig had moved the yacht along at a creditable five knots since the dismasting some 400 miles the wrong side of Cape Horn, it did not permit Alan Nebauer to sail into the wind and he was in danger of being blown past the Islands altogether)

The wind was blowing at between 20 to 25 knots and a big sea was running from the north west as the launch approached the area. Having lost navigation lights and radar reflector with the mast, *Newcastle* proved difficult to locate even when contact had been made by radio. As Robin Goodwin later explained, large waves were creating confusing radar images and Alan Nebauer was only able to make visual signals with a hand-held torch.

Interestingly despite Robin's difficulties in locating him, due to the wonders of satellite navigation, Alan Nebauer was

always aware of his precise position - little comfort if he could not make contact with the searching launch!

Finally making visual contact, the difficulties were not over. Alone on the *Speedwell's* deck while Robin steered, Owen Betts did well to get a line across to the stricken yacht at his first attempt, only to find that Alan Nebauer was not at that stage ready to receive it - he needed to be able to attach a further longer line of his own to give sufficient length to make a tow possible.

Eventually the job was completed and a tow rope attached, though after what Robin described as a "very interesting time", when the *Speedwell* was often in danger of being swamped by the waves or holed by the chisel-like bow of the yacht.

Having left at 3 am, the *Speedwell* came back through the Narrows at 6.30 am and brought *Newcastle* safely to berth at FIPASS alongside American Arnet Taylor's yacht *Thursday's Child*.

Both yachts are competing in the BOC Challenge. This 27000 mile journey is the longest running, solo round the world race and not one for the faint hearted. Dismastings are common and both of the yachts that have limped in to Stanley Harbour have suffered severe damage to masts and rigging. However Arnet Taylor's survived a little better than Alan Nebauer's and he was able to sail the 2000 miles after the damage occurred with his mast barely intact. The base plate of his mast

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BBC tv Clothes Show

DESPITE anything you may read to the contrary in our TV Guide, it is hoped that SSVC will be able to screen the BBC TV Clothes Show featuring the Falklands Islands, on Wednesday evening at 6.30 pm and again after the news.

This plan depends on the

Tri-Star not being delayed and also on the ability of *Penguin News* occasional contributor, 15 year old Rachael Fowler, to navigate her way around London to find the Clothes Show offices and pick up the video before heading off to Brize Norton. Fingers crossed!



●YOUR LETTERS....

Help a 'mum' after fifteen years of torment and grief

ANN ADDIS is a quiet even unassuming person on first impressions. She is also a very determined mother, the mother of Alan Addis, a former Royal Marine, whose disappearance one evening whilst visiting North Arm in 1980 as a member of NP8901 is yet to be solved.

Ann raised Alan as a single parent. Their bond was a very strong and special one; when this tragedy occurred you can imagine

the impact upon her. Ann has had fifteen years of torment and grief, not knowing where her son is.

In a community of this size I feel sure someone knows something that could shed more light on this event and give some comfort and peace of mind to a mother who has suffered fifteen years too long.

Hopefully there is someone with a shred of common decency who could help a mum.

Norman Clark



Ann Addis in Stanley

Falklands charm will never be forgotten

I AM writing this letter to thank everyone that has looked after my father in the past year, and my mother and brother in the couple of years before. I can now see why they were so reluctant to leave. I have been amazed at the depth of friendship shown towards my father. The hand has also been offered on both my stays here. I was shocked by the open-hearted gestures that many people have shown towards both my father and myself. Unfortunately, back in the U.K we seem to have lost our friendship and understanding, we seem to strive only for ourselves, not each other.

Friends back in England think that I am mad to be coming back again to such a 'desolate' spot. Little do they know of the 'charm' of the Islands. There is a rugged beauty to the landscape and a warm welcome in every Islanders heart. What more could anyone want? Everyone here makes you feel immediately at ease and treats you like a long-lost friend. Don't ever lose the 'charm', it's a very rare thing to find.

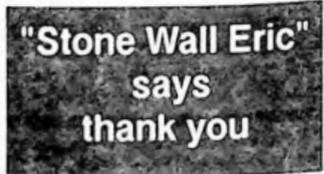
I know that my father is looking forward to going home, although he does not want to leave the Islands. He has made so many dear friends during his four years here. So it will be hard saying goodbye to them all. I have also made quite a few during my 'month' here and that's going to be difficult enough. So here goes:

Goodbye to Ben and Margaret Claxton, Norman and Elaine Plumb, Alison Hewitt, Christina, David and Bernice.

Special goodbyes to: Glennis and Tracey - thanks for some great laughs, Alistair - hop to see you on the catwalk in Paris or Milan. Lads at Plumers shop - CHEERS

I hope to be able to come back again one day, so keep your eyes peeled, it could be me walking past your house and up the street. The charm of the Falklands will never leave me or my parents. So it's time for a final goodbye to all who knew us, and to let you know you will never be forgotten.

Nadine Salter, Devon



MAY I, through the columns of your newspaper, offer my many thanks to the people of the Falklands who helped make my stay such a memorable experience and to apologize to all those people for their kind invitations of hospitality I was unable to accept due to shortage of time. Many thanks.
Eric Greenwood, Burnley, Lancs

....write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley

Helmets are essential

IN YOUR account last week of Justin Knight's accident, I was pleased to note that his father said Justin's crash helmet had "probably saved his life".

Having seen Justin on his arrival at hospital, I would emphasise that his helmet definitely saved his life and he is to be commended for having worn it.

Later in the week I witnessed a head injury during steer wrestling at North Arm. It caused just concussion but could have been a lot more serious.

As a new-comer to the Islands, I am struck by the scant attention to accident prevention, particularly in relation to head injuries. Accidents are the commonest cause of death (as well as long term disability) in young people.

Many of these serious injuries are preventable. The introduction of crash helmets for motor cyclist in the UK had a dramatic effect on the incidence of serious head injuries during accidents. Subsequent research has confirmed similar findings in cyclist wearing helmets compared to those without them.

It may require a certain cultural shift, particularly in Camp perhaps, but surely adequate head protection should be considered essential in those who ride - be it motorcycles, cycles, horses or even steers.

If not, the loss of a young Falklander is a disaster waiting to happen.

Dr. Crispin Fisher
Stanley

A prophet is without honour in his own country

IT WAS with regret and not a little shame that I read of the Councilors' decision not to buy Nut Cartmell's stamp collection. Perhaps those of us who feel like this should have petitioned the Council before the decision but there are some issues on which, one assumes, our elected representatives will use a little integrity, or lacking that, common sense.

Nut Cartmell was a highly respected philatelist - among his admirers he could include a Prime Minister or two, scientists and businessmen. Many of them made the pilgrimage to the Falklands, thence to Goose Green with the prime intention of meeting Nut and seeing his collection - coincidentally improving our tourist statistics.

I have no doubt that, worldwide, philatelists will be shocked by this mean-spirited lack of action. I understand the asking price was around £8000. Let me give you an equation:

One irreplaceable piece of Falkland's heritage = £8000
One meeting of 8 Councilors @ £75 = £600
14 meetings of 8 councilors @ £75 = £8400

In a few years most of us will have trouble remembering the composition of the present council - not so Nut Cartmell or his stamps. I know which I consider greater value for the money - my money and yours.

Veronica Fowler
Stanley

A betrayal of a generous man

THE decision by ExCo not to purchase Nut Cartmell's stamp collection, for the Colony, is both lamentable and short sighted.

It was my privilege to have gone through the whole of the collection with Nut some weeks before he died, and I have no hesitation in saying the collection is unique and part of the heritage of the Falklands. The opportunity of the Islands to acquire such a collection will not come again. In my judgement to let the collection leave these islands would be a very sad event.

The amount of money concerned was modest, and furthermore at least 80 percent of the initial outlay could be recovered by careful selling of duplicates over the next few years.

Nut Cartmell donated a house in Stanley to the National Trust, and the refusal of ExCo to purchase his stamp collection is a betrayal of both the man and his generosity.

I am well aware that to many people postage stamps are simply coloured pieces of paper that are stuck to envelopes in order to pay taxes - but the reality is that Nut's collection is as much part of our history and heritage as Bodie Creek Bridge and the Whale Bone Arch. I regret that some of our Councilors seem to be unaware of this fact. Those of us who attended Nut's remarkable funeral at Goose Green must wonder how some of our representatives can be so out of touch with local sentiment and feeling.

When I challenged one Councilor about the decision I was informed that hardly anybody supported the purchase. I believe that this is quite untrue. May I invite the readers of the Penguin News who feel strongly that the Colony should purchase Nut's stamp collection to contact their Councilors and encourage them to have the courage to change their minds!

Stephen Palmer, Stanley

Stanley repairs ships and its old reputation.



Some of the damage with which the *Shin Li* arrived in Stanley THE TAIWANESE Jigger *Shin Li* which limped into Stanley in the middle of last month after a collision on the high seas, has set to sea again.

In just under two weeks local ship repairers, Carl Freeman and Ian Bury, with the support of the plant and equipment on FIPASS, repaired the vessel so that it was capable of returning to the fishing grounds. Fred Gooch, the local Bureau Veritas Surveyor, oversaw the repairs to the vessel.

The *Shin Li* is no stranger to Stanley having called in for some minor repairs last year. As a result of this experience, the Captain had no hesitation in returning for this more serious damage to be repaired. In the 19th Century, Stanley became a ships' graveyard due to the crippling high prices charged for repairs and the time they took. The speed and efficiency with which this work was done can only have helped repair that reputation.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are invited from qualified nurses to fill two vacancies which will arise at the King Edward Memorial Hospital on 1st July 1995.

Applications will be considered from SRN or SEN's.

Salary ranges from £13,320 per annum in Grade G4 to £18,648 in Grade G5, entry point being dependent on qualifications and experience.

Interested persons should contact the Chief Nursing Officer, Mrs Mandy Heathman, at the King Edward VII Memorial Hospital for further details.

Application forms are available from the Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to the Chairman, A=Senior Appointments Board, Secretariat by 4.30pm on Monday, March 13, 1995.

The Secretariat
Stanley
March 6, 1995

STF/18/2
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are invited to fill the unestablished position of Refueller/Handyman with the Falkland Islands Government Air Service.

The main duties of this post will be aircraft refuelling and its associated control. Other duties will include assisting maintenance staff with after-flight activities, maintenance of hanger equipment and remedial maintenance of the FIGAS complex.

Persons applying for this post should hold an HGV licence.

The conditions and wages offered will be those set out in the Stanley Wages Agreement for an Uncertificated Craftsman at the rate of £4.21. Anyone interested in this post should contact the Chief Engineer, Mr John Courts on telephone number 27291 during normal working hours.

The Secretariat
2 March 1995

Ref: STF/21
Public Notice No: 30/95

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are invited to fill a vacancy in the Education Department for a Resident Houseparent at Stanley House, commencing as soon as possible.

The Houseparent is responsible for the welfare of the children living in the Hostel, particularly the older boys, and because of this preference will be given to male candidates. The Houseparent will also be expected to become fully involved in the activities of the Hostel and to supervise and encourage a variety of extra-curricular activities.

Applicants must have a keen interest in working with children and the ability and willingness to drive Department vehicles and take the children camping, etc. Previous experience with children is most important and any qualifications in child development and outdoor pursuits would be an advantage.

Further details of this post may be obtained from the Head of Hostel, Mrs Lorraine McGill on telephone number of 21374. The salary attaching to the post is in Grade G3 which ranges from £10,908 to £12,900 per annum.

Application forms and job descriptions for this position can be obtained from the Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat no later than 4.30pm on Monday 13th March 1995

The Secretariat
Stanley
Ref: STF/10a
Public Notice No: 43/95
7 March 1995

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are invited from school leavers or other interested young persons to fill the post of Technical Assistant in the Design and Contracts Section of the Public Works Department.

This post is graded GO1/2 which ranges from £6,096 through to £10,572 per annum. Starting salary will be dependent on age, qualifications and experience. No formal training will be offered within this post.

Whilst there will be some duties of a more general nature the work will be primarily involved with the production of drawings and documents for Public Works Department projects. Applicants should therefore have a genuine interest in building or engineering and be able to show some capability in mathematics and a proven aptitude for Technical Drawing. Possession of a current driving licence would be an advantage.

Candidates are advised to contact the Design Engineer, Mr Tony Lee, for further details.

Application forms and a job description are available from the Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat together with school records of achievement by 4.30pm on Friday 17th March 1995. The latter will be returned after the Appointments Board has been held.

The Secretariat
Stanley
Ref: STF/3
Public Notice No: 42/95
7 March 1995

PUBLIC NOTICE

Falkland Islands Government wishes to sell by tender the 36' launch "Wavedancer".

Tender documents and appointments to view the "Wavedancer" are available by contacting the Marine Officer at the Fisheries Department on telephone No. 27260/

Tender forms should be returned by 1630 hours on 13 April 1995 to:

The Chairman of the Tender Board
The Secretariat, Stanley

FIG reserves the right to refuse any tender.

Debbie surveys users' views on Stanley's Leisure Centre

DON'T BE surprised if you are accosted by questionnaire wielding Debbie Gilding in the next few weeks. She will be lurking in number of areas during the day but mainly around the Stanley Leisure Centre. Debbie is currently studying for a Leisure Studies (BA Hons) degree at Leeds Metropolitan University. She describes the questionnaire as a chance for leisure centre users and non-users to air their views, ideas, compliments or complaints regarding the leisure centre and its facilities.

Her project is almost entirely focused on establishing the views of the Stanley population in regard to the centre. Because of this the public's help and co-operation in answering her questionnaire will aid the success and accuracy of the project.

National Stud Flock auction

ON THE 3rd of March 1995 the second National Stud Flock Sale took place at Goose Green with Mr Brook Hardcastle as auctioneer.

There was a total of 179 sheep on sale; out of 8 rams, 4 were sold and 1 leased. Out of 86 imported ewes all were sold at an average of £47.50. All of the 22 ewes of 2½ years old were sold at an average of £65.00. Also, all of the 73 ewes of 1½ years old were sold at an average of £62.75.

Although disappointingly there was only one buyer from the West, the East produced 14 buyers. Terence Phillips of Hope Cottage was impressed with the quality of the sheep and bought the greatest amount.

A total of £10,565 was made in total and this will go back into the running of the stud flock.

Chilean import put down after injury

HORSE-LOVERS will have been saddened to hear about the loss of Margaret Goss's imported mare "Rosita". Maggie recently decided to invest in two race horses and a pony, brought from Chile on the M.V Tamar.

On arrival the two horses, Rosita and Standby seemed to be well, although Rosita had a number of scars from an accident that had occurred in Chile.

Although Maggie lives at Horseshoe Bay in the North Camp, the family took great pleasure in visiting the horses twice weekly in

their quarantine environment. However it was later discovered that Rosita had sustained a broken leg at some time during the quarantine period. Because of the severity of the injury the mare had to be put down. It was thought possible that she may already have had a weakness in the bone due to the former accident.

Magistrate's Court Report

ON THE 8th of March 1995, at the Stanley Magistrate's Court, Mr Lee Molkenbuh of Murrel Farm pleaded guilty to a charge of driving a vehicle whilst under the influence of alcohol.

Mr Molkenbuh was ordered to pay a fine of £300 with court costs of £35 and was disqualified from driving for 18 months

Gary Watson of the Resident Rapier Squadron was charged with exceeding the speed limit on the MPA Road. He pleaded guilty by post and was ordered to pay a fine of £150 with £25 prosecution cost, his licence was endorsed.

New SAAD man

PETER Newton, who has been head of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office's South Atlantic and Antarctica Department (SAAD), has been appointed British Ambassador to Guatemala.

He is to be replaced at SAAD by Anthony Longrigg CMG, a fifty year old career diplomat, who joined the FCO in 1972.

Most recently, Mr Longrigg, who is a family man with two children, was Counsellor (Econ/EC) with the British Embassy in Madrid, but he has also seen service in Brasilia (1981) and Moscow (1975 and 1987)



Happy in Stanley, Arthur and Denise

Whistle-stop for Arthur Blessitt Pippa wins new Spanish prize

AMERICAN evangelist and "walker for Jesus", Arthur Blessitt passed through Stanley briefly on Monday and called in on *Penguin News* to thank us for advertising his arrival in previous issues.

With him were his English wife, Denise, and outside the office he had parked his 12ft wooden cross - only his second since he began his global walk in 1969 - adapted for long-distance transportation by the addition of a handy wheel and splinted in a couple of places, where it broke when Arthur was run into (accidentally, he says) by a car last year.

Whatever one may think of his rather strange ministry, there was no doubting his sincerity and joy.



AS the oldest, at 78, of Stanley's Chilean community, long-time resident, Joe Booth, was happy to be called upon last year to present the Community's annual award to the student in the Community School who was deemed to have made maximum progress in learning Spanish.

The winner on that occasion was a boy, but the runner up was a girl, twelve year old Philippa Lang, and that planted an idea in Joe's head which led to him meeting Philippa again this week to inform her that she was the winner, for 1994, of a new award for Spanish. To be known as "the Mary Booth Shield" in memory of Joe's late wife, it will be awarded annually to the girl scholar who, in Joe's words, "has shown the highest dedication and progress in learning the Spanish language that year".

The Mary Booth Shield, which is totally separate from the Chilean Community's Shield Award, will arrive in the colony soon, when Pippa's name will be engraved on it as the winner for 1994.

The award will be presented again at the end of the 1995 school year. The shield will probably remain in the school, but there is provision for an appropriate prize to be given to the winner to keep for herself. On Wednesday this took the form of a large English - Spanish dictionary, which Joe presented to a delighted Pippa, while Spanish teacher, Jaime Correa looked on.

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Funeral Notice

It is with great sadness and regret that we announce the death in the KEMH of Mrs Pat Luxton, late on the night of Wednesday March 8th, after a typically courageous fight against illness.

Pat's funeral will take place at the Old House Cemetery, Chartres, on Wednesday, March 15. Bill and Stephen wish it to be known that all who might wish to pay their respects to Pat on this occasion will be welcome.

It is also hoped that a memorial service for Pat will be held in the Cathedral later in the month.



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Some principal objec- tives and policies of the Draft Town Plan

HOUSING

Objectives:

- A) To assess the housing needs of the existing population and new households that will be formed.
- B) To identify opportunities for new house building and to programme the development of East Stanley.

Policies:

- 1) Release of 0.20-0.25 acre plots of government land in East Stanley Development area for house building.
- 2) Permission for new houses within the area of the existing town, subject to certain rules.
- 3) No permission granted which involves the loss of existing housing, without securing its replacement elsewhere. (Three exceptions listed)
- 4) Existing central government housing to be converted to sheltered accommodation.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Objectives:

- A) To ensure land is available for new development so that the potential for investment in local services and support services for resource based development is not prejudiced.
- B) To consider whether or not support services for resource based development should be located in or near Stanley.

Policies:

- 1) The development of sites for new shops, offices and customer services will be encouraged within the Central Stanley Commercial Area; sites for new shops, offices, customer services, smaller scale industrial and storage uses will be provided within the Lookout Industrial Estate and Hillside Commercial Areas; and larger scale storage and industrial use will be accommodated within the East Stanley Commercial Development Area.
- 2) International companies supporting the fishing industry or oil exploration will be expected to locate close to a main port of entry or on a site designated for office or storage/industrial use.
- 3) The Planning and Building Committee recommends that a study of the suitability of the FIPASS/East Stanley Commercial Development and Camber areas as Supply Bases to support oil exploration is conducted as a matter of urgency, in the context of a parallel examination of alternative locations for land based infrastructure to enable the production of crude oil and gas.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

Objectives:

- B) To assess the potential for alternative means of generating electricity, sewage disposal and improvements to surface drainage

(NB This is not a comprehensive list)

THE DRAFT TOWN PLAN FOR STANLEY

The long-awaited draft town plan for Stanley was released to the general public last week. It describes how the Planning and Building Committee see Stanley developing over the next five to ten years and is intended to provide a framework for their future decisions on applications for planning permission, not only for housing but also for industrial and commercial development - in fact it is intended to be a comprehensive guide to all future areas of development around Stanley.

In her introduction to the Draft Town Plan, Cllr Wendy Teggart urges " This Draft is submitted for public consultation. Discuss it with your friends, neighbours and business associates. It is your opportunity to make your views on the future development of Stanley known." *Penguin News* set out in Stanley to sample some of those views:

IN AN attempt to ascertain the mood and opinions of the public regarding the Draft Town Plan for Stanley, *Penguin News* asked a section of the community to comment. However despite Councilor Teggart's encouragement to "Discuss it with your friends, neighbours and business associates" it was found that most people had not yet read the document. The plan is a fairly lengthy document so a number of people had simply examined sections that were particularly relevant to themselves. No doubt the debate will get under way in due course and we are grateful to the people quoted below, who helped to get the ball rolling.

Listed Buildings

One section that did receive a certain amount of comment was that entitled 'Buildings of Architectural or Historic Interest'. These structures are listed as Category 'A', 'B', and 'C' and include a large number of private residences. Many people were surprised to see their private houses listed as they had not been consulted prior to the appearance of the document.

Those properties listed are subject to a number of 'basic principles' intended to retain the original character of the edifice. Although it is made clear that the Government would help pay for the extra expenses incurred in finding these more traditional materials, some people expressed resentment at the limitations being imposed upon them.

Mike Peake, whose house is proposed to be listed as a Category A historical building, commented that he was writing to have his house unlisted. He felt that it was a "nonsense idea" that people should be restricted in the type of additions or improvements they make to their houses. He felt it perfectly acceptable that Government buildings - for example the Government Smithy - should be protected, but not those still inhabited by their owners

Natalie Smith, however, said she believed her husband Colin had, had no particular objections to his house being listed when he had been approached

regarding the idea some time ago. They had already intended that their improvements to the house were in keeping with its original character.

Vi Felton was pleased to have her house "German Camp" included in category A buildings. The structure was originally built by the Royal Artillery in World War II and later inhabited by German labourers. Vi felt it was an important part of the Islands History and had requested that the building be listed by the Town Plan.

East Stanley Development

Debbie Ford thought parts of the plan "atrocious" and commented that the housing development in the east of Stanley resembled a UK estate. She felt that the layout of the intended housing development should be consistent with central Stanley.

Regarding the East Stanley development, Dik Sawle, who lives in that area, was pleased with the plans, not least because of the amount of land allocated to each house. He had been concerned at the lack of space around the more recently built houses (for example the Jersey Estate). He was also delighted at the concept of a proposed sewage system and suggested that where it was too expensive to incorporate new houses in the system, the use of septic tanks may be a solution.

Dik had a few concerns however, the first being that the plan did not clearly state its intentions regarding the siting of a new port.

Regarding the Central Stanley Commercial Area, he was concerned that private offices outside this area might be obliged to remain as offices, for fear that if they were temporarily used as a non commercial building they would not be allowed to revert to their original use as an office (being outside the Commercial area).

On the whole he felt the plan was clear and well thought out

John Pollard was particularly pleased to see that the plan proposed long term requirements for a port and

also the commercial development of Stanley as a whole. However he was disappointed not to see any intended development of Stanley Airport which he felt had a lot of potential for an International airport of our own.

Robin Lee, risked the wrath of horse-owners and commented that he felt the plan was somewhat overgenerous in its provision for grazing land. He also added that he was rather mystified by the large areas of private land outside Stanley which had been shaded and entitled 'Areas of high Landscape value'!

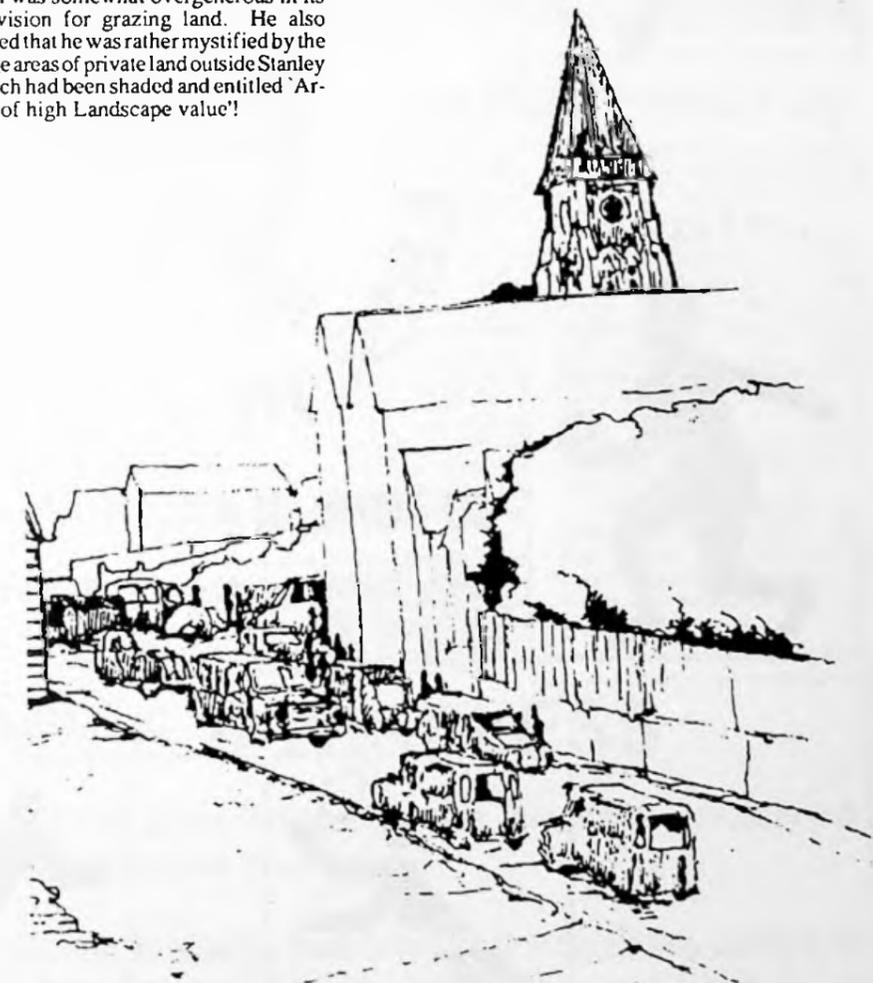


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Bodie Creek Bridge: A monument with no place in road network

CONCERN about the dilapidated state of Bodie Creek Bridge has been expressed for some time, coming to a head with the closure of the bridge to the general public at the beginning of Sports Week. This led to a question for written reply on the future of the bridge being tabled by Cllr Norma Edwards on February 20.

The reply by the Chief Executive was as follows:

"As you will be aware, the bridge was recently closed following advice from our insurers that they could no longer insure it. A report was presented to Councillors in April 1994 in which it was indicated that immediate attention was necessary to the wind restraint cables and that periodic maintenance thereafter involving 'mostly painting and spot re-timbering would maintain the bridge for its current usage for the foreseeable future'. The cost of all this was quoted at around £30,000 per annum, reducing after ten years to £15,000 every five years.

Council at that time agreed that the funding should be allowed for the restraint cables, and the work was done. However the minute further reads: "The Chief Executive will approach Falklands Landholdings (the owners of the bridge) to discuss the matter of future funding, if further funding is required he will revert to Executive Council." In the event, nothing seems to have happened and following the insurers' demand I have asked the Public Works Department to update their survey of the bridge to see if their view has changed.

It seems worth underlining the following facts:

1. The bridge can never be part of a main arterial roads network as it will always be too narrow to take anything larger than a Land Rover.
2. The bridge is undoubtedly of considerable historic and tourist interest, being the southern most suspension bridge in the entire

world, and having proved itself as a significant tourist attraction.

3. There can be little doubt that the inhabitants of Walker Creek are those who suffer most from any inability to use the bridge.

I trust that a paper will be put to the March Executive Council outlining the options for Councillors to make a clear decision and I believe that it will be a simple equation between the magnitude of expenditure and the inconvenience to Walker Creek allied with the historic and tourist perspective.

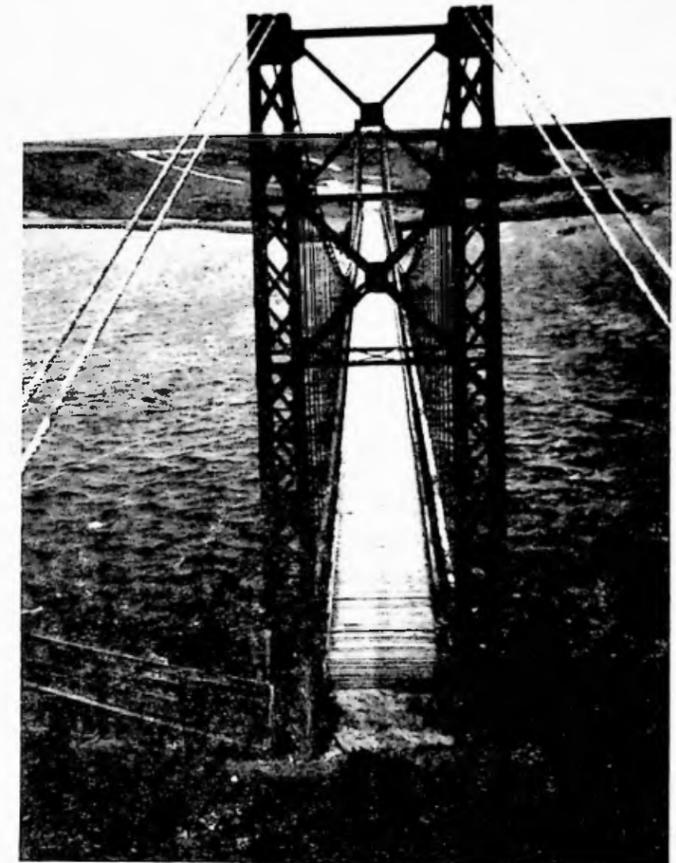
I have asked PWD to prepare a schedule of the costs of upgrading the alternative route, which is already in train in the current year's Estimates."

The Landholdings view
HAVING seen the draft report to ExCo by Tony Lee, PWD's Design Engineer, which identified the ramp on the south side of the bridge as the most dangerous part of the structure, Falklands Landholdings General Manager, Robin Lee, conducted his own inspection of the bridge this Monday, with John Lee of Goose Green farm.

As a result of this inspection and in view of the fact that their employees are still insured to use the bridge, (if only in the short-term and in accordance with strict rules as to its use), Landholdings will now attempt to make the south-side ramp safe, at their own expense.

Agreeing with the Chief Executive's view that Bodie Creek bridge would never be suitable as part of a main road scheme, Robin Lee said that he had "mixed feelings" about the bridge's future; he would like to see it preserved as a monument and tourist attraction, but not if this meant reducing the expenditure available for track improvements or the building of an alternative road around Cobb's Pass.

He very much hoped that funds would be made available to achieve both objectives.



Bodie Creek Bridge view from the north side

Hadassa Bay clean up

FALKLANDS Conservation are organising a community coast clean next weekend at Hadassa bay, followed by a free barbecue for all participants.

Kick-off is planned for 10 o'clock on the morning of March 18 (Sunday morning if the weather on Saturday is too bad, when there will be radio announcements)

Would-be participants without 4WD transport should be at the Lady Elizabeth turn-off to Gypsy Cove at 9.30 as transport will be provided from there. For independent travellers the route will be signposted from this turn-off.

Local youth groups have pledged support as has the Governor. Military personnel from Look-out Camp will be providing hot

drinks throughout the morning and PWD will be providing a tractor and trailer to cart away the rubbish collected

Local fishing companies have been asked to sponsor the barbecue lunch and at the time of going to press the following had responded along with the FIG Fisheries Dept.: Polar, SFS, Argos, San Rafael, Goodwin Offshore and Beauchene, who are also providing rubber gloves.

Keith Reddick's bakery will be supplying rolls and the FIC is providing bin bags.

Hadassa Bay is a nice spot, but particularly rubbish-strewn from Port William. It is also home to logger ducks, kelp geese and magellanic penguins, who will appreciate your help.



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NOTICES

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Flea Market

There will be a Flea Market on Sunday 19th March in the FIDF Hall from 2-4pm. Anyone wishing to book a stall please ring Anya on Tel. 21857 or Alison on Tel. 21230

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BOC Yacht Race

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Foreground: *Thursday's Child* (USA), Background: *Newcastle* (AUS)

had collapsed, having twisted under pressure from the waves.

The yachts described as 'floating racing cars' by Arnet are minimalist to the extreme and customised for single handed use. The inside of the yacht is divided into compartments which can be sealed completely if one part of the yacht is damaged. In theory, the vessel can continue to sail even if one of the compartments is completely filled with water. As an aid to keeping the yacht upright in difficult situations, the vessel has tanks on each side which can be pumped full of sea water single handed.

Despite the lack of luxury (the bed is nothing more than a canvas bunk which can be folded away) nothing is spared in the way of communications. Apart from the more conventional radio's,

Thursday's Child boasts a laptop computer that can send (and receive) messages to other vessels and the skippers headquarters.

Thursdays Child is thirteen years old, a "high tech" antique" in the racing world, *Newcastle Australia* is far newer, thus age has nothing to do with it when faced with an unrelenting sea.

From the
F.I.D.F Rifle Association
5 March '95

March Spoons shot over 3,5,600 yards. Scores: Chris McCallum 94.2, Mike Pole-Evans 94, Harry Ford 93.8, Chris Harris 93.1, Ken Aldridge 93. Spoons won by Harry Ford and Chris Harris.

POSTSCRIPT FROM ST. MARY'S

WORRY never baked a cake, cut the peat, or solved a problem. When we fret we just make a bad situation worse. If we do our best, and try to find fulfilment in making this a better world, there is little danger that we are ever overcome by fear of failure.

Thomas Edison tried out two thousand materials in his search of a filament for the light bulb. When none was satisfactory his assistant complained, "All our effort has been in vain. We are nowhere".

"On the contrary", Edison replied, "we have come a long way and we have learned a lot. We now know that there are two thousand

materials, that will not make a good light bulb."

The assistant was a worrier, easily discouraged, while Edison was a doer taking set-backs in his stride. He kept his cool and ploughed ahead with confidence in all he did. In everything we do, great or small, it is always better to light a candle than to curse the darkness.

Do not be worried about the food and drink you need in order to stay alive.... Can any of you live a bit longer by worrying about it... So do not worry about tomorrow.

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Buried treasure at new bank

ON Monday 13th of March, on the building site of the new Standard Chartered Bank, some of the work men made a fascinating discovery!

Whilst digging a trench to lay electrical cable, what was thought to be an old pipe was uncovered on the sea front side of the site.

Further inspection revealed that the 'pipe' was an excellent example of a cannon.

Having carefully removed the cannon from the ground using a rope and a skillfully manouvered JCB it could then be seen to be in extremely good condition.

John Smith the Museum Curator commented that having been preserved by the soil, the cannon would now need conserving to prevent any deterioration due to exposure to air.

An Argentine bunker was uncovered at the same time. The EOD were called in to check the area, which was later filled in.



Alan Henry, Mike Wallace and Campbell Kirkham with their discovery

Graham and Janet: First reports from BA

JANET Robertson and Graham Bound have now arrived in Buenos Aires on their tour of Argentina, and, according to a report in La Prensa of March 16, made what was described as a "strictly private" visit to the Argentine Congress where they spoke to a number of senators.

The report claimed that they had told the senators that Falklands inhabitants were worried about the future exploitation of hydrocarbons in the area and a high proportion opposed it, fearing that oil exploitation would bring about environmental pollution and drastic changes in the Islands life-style. However, the report concluded, that they thought that the temptation of high per capita returns being available would, in the end, persuade people to accept the Islands entry into the oil business.

In another interview, reported in the Buenos Aires Herald of the same day, Janet Robertson said that she believed the Argentines should drop their sovereignty claim.

FIGAS fly in search of nuclear waste carrier

A FIGAS Defender of the Fisheries Patrol Service was scrambled on Friday afternoon, apparently on orders from Government, to observe the passage through Falklands waters of the nuclear waste carrying ship, Pacific Pintail, believed to have been some 80 miles of the Falklands coast at 2 pm on Friday and pursuing a course for Cape Horn, which would bring her some 5 miles inside the FICZ for about ten miles.

FIG has been under renewed pressure this week from Greenpeace to oppose the carriage of plutonium waste through Falklands waters. Greenpeace warn that if resistance is weak this may become "the usual route for dozens of plutonium shipments already scheduled for the coming years between France and Japan". Lord Peter Melchett, Executive Director of Greenpeace UK wrote to the Governor giving details of

the ship's cargo and asking what the FIG reaction would be to the passage of the ship through Falklands waters, in view of the fact that it had "been banned from entering the territorial waters of dozens of countries"

Councillors approached on the subject were generally of the opinion that there was little that could legally be done about it. Cllr John Birmingham said that he was opposed to the transporta-

tion of nuclear waste around the world by any means, a view echoed by Cllr Norma Edwards, who said, however, that she had no specific problem with this particular ship.

There was no suggestion from the Councillors approached that FIG should make any statement of condemnation regarding this vessel, which they felt was probably as safe as a nuclear waste carrier could be.

Veteran of '82 comes back alone & dying for a smoke

THE last of the three damaged racing yachts expected in Stanley arrived on Wednesday, towed in by Robin Goodwin and Owen Betts in the FIC's launch, *Speedwell*.

Robin Davie, in the yacht *Cornwall*, is no stranger to Stanley. As an officer in the GA Walker and later the Canadian Pacific's Fort Toronto, he visited the Falklands in both 1982 and 1983,

When picked up by the *Speedwell*, at around 5.30 pm, *Cornwall* was just south east of Seal Rocks, flying the Cornish flag and making good progress under the jury rig, which had been her sole means of propulsion since she was dismantled some 2000 miles away.

Robin seemed in good health and spirits, but dying for a smoke, his own supply having run out.





●YOUR LETTERS....

Three plus one makes four

FURTHER to my note of many issues ago, when I stated that 'Kip' Kembell, John Rhind and Roger Diggle were erstwhile pupils of mine at The Downs School, Colwall, Malvern, Worcs. - it was amusingly entitled 'A Touch of Class' - I can now report that a fourth, Guy Haywood, is currently a steward in the Sergeants' Mess at MPA.

Nearing the end of a two-month visit to the Islands - my fifth since retirement in 1988 - I was particularly interested in the article about the New Island Post Office. A collector of Falkland stamps for half a century and a founder member of the F.I. Philatelic Stamp Group in 1970, I have made a special study of that Island's postal history.

I can confirm the valuations S.G. gives. The provisional cancellation in manuscript on an en-

velope or P.C. now fetches £3000 or more at auction. It is scarce because the official New Island date-stamp came into use some three months after the post office opened. I have an example dated: 27 NO 09.

In Stanley I have been heartened by the neat appearance and tidiness of the Whalebone Arch garden and by the provision of toilets for tourists et al on the jetty. As for that dangerous MPA road, in my opinion for what it's worth, the ditches athwart the road should be filled in before attention is paid to the road surface itself. I am just glad that I don't have to drive along that road, particularly at night.

Once again I shall leave the Falklands with a heavy heart. I much value the friendships I have made over the years. Au revoir!

Donald Boyd
Colwall, Malvern

Why no stud flock sales on the West?

I WOULD like to comment on the distasteful way in which the tenders for the NSF hoggets were handled. Main Point tendered and I also know that at least one other farm on West Falkland tendered. When we tendered we were told that we would know by 17 February if our tender was successful or not.

As I write we still have not had written confirmation that our tender was not successful. Though by 1st March when we had not heard anything Ian rang the Director of Agriculture and he was able to tell us on the phone that our tender was not successful. However had Ian not rung I doubt we would know yet.

It has been said that the NSF Sheep are not going to come to the West be it the breeding ewes or hoggets. So why when the sheep are put out for tender can it not be stated that "no tender on the West will be accepted", then at least farmers here would not be wasting their time in tendering. It appears that the West tenders were turned down for what ever reason and then another farm asked to take the sheep (who had not tendered for them at all). So what is the point in putting them out to tender? Somebody had obviously decided before hand where the sheep should go and that is where they went.

Regarding Greg Scott's comment on News Magazine that he thought there was a place for the stud flock/Polwarth sheep on the West and was disappointed that only one West farmer attended the sale. I was at last year's sale when well over half the West farmers

attended and many bought sheep. The shearling ram we bought survived unlike many others that came to the West. I think that could be a major reason why farmers were not so keen this year. We have managed to fatten our NSF ram up and he has gained 2.2 microns but he is still much smaller than our ram hoggets.

We did not buy ewes but I believe people who did lost many when they lambed early. Also if we on the West want to buy these sheep we have to pay the cost of flights to get them across to the West. Last year this was £5 per sheep, nothing if you just have a ram or two, but quite a bit if you want to go and buy a substantial amount of ewes. So why can't there be a sale on the West Falkland? I think then the West farmers would be buying as many or more sheep than East farmers. After all they are shipped off Sea Lions to the sale location, why couldn't they be shipped to the West for one sale at least?

There is a place for Polwarth sheep on the West. I think you will find some of the best Polwarth sheep on the Falklands in the Roy Cove area. They were breeding Polwarth sheep long before the NSF was ever thought of!

Susan Hansen

Main Point Farm, W. Falkland

Congratulations

CONGRATULATIONS to everyone regarding the Clothes Show. I have no words to express my delight at it all.

Mary Ursle, Nottingham

...write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley

Thanks from the BBC Clothes Show "luvvies"

I AM WRITING on behalf of all of us on the Clothes Show who were fortunate enough to have been involved in the making of our special programme in the Falklands. I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all who helped us with the project and to everyone who made us feel so welcome. We were delighted at the response of the knitters and their families and friends and more than a little impressed with their determination - and towards the end of our week - stamina! Thanks also to the behind-the-scenes team who built the set, helped with hair and make-up, assisted backstage and of course the girls and boys who were brave enough to step out onto the catwalk on the night.

Once again I shall leave the Falklands with a heavy heart. I much value the friendships I have made over the years. Au revoir!

I would also like to acknowledge the generous support from BFBS/SSVC and CSE without whom we'd have been in the dark! Thanks also to Charlie Lane for his liaison between the BBC through the FIDC to the military, even though he failed to arrange a formation of Tornados and Tri-Stars overflying Stanley at 500 feet (CUT! could we do that just one more time...)

There was of course much assistance from the FIDC and I must take this opportunity to express our thanks to Ian Dempster and Cathy Clifton who lived with us virtually day and night providing solutions to all sorts of oddball requests from wheelchairs to cream cakes! Apologies are due to H.E. The Governor - for beating him at 'Killer Billiards' - and at the same time I would like to thank David Tatham and Valerie for their kind hospitality to the knitters and my team and for their support for the project.

By the time this letter appears in print, the programme will have

been seen in the UK and hopefully in the Falklands too. From our experience here, I can say that the response to the show has been enthusiastically positive, our production secretaries have been kept busy taking many calls from appreciative viewers and there is evidently a great deal of interest in "the Falklander" knitwear.

Inevitably in the course of condensing a week's frenetic activity into a twenty five minute programme, much had to be left out and I am sorry for those who may feel aggrieved at the ruthlessness of the editor's scissors. In our defence, I feel that the programme reflected the excitement of the week and at the same time a magnificent image of the islands.

Those of your readers with a critical eye will have noticed some slight rearrangement of Falkland geography during the programme. To them I apologise and also to those who may have wondered where the mystery bell in St. Mary's was conjured up from. As for the shooting star... well, and also, did we get the moon the right way up?

Finally, on our trip to Port Howard in the RAF Sea King we were described by Biggles, Algy, Ginger & Co of 78 Squadron as "The Clothes Show Luvvies". Well, if there were any 'Luvvy' sentiments, they were reserved for your beautiful islands. We were all very sorry to leave. We had made such good friends with many people. Through your paper I thank them all once again and wish a successful future for them, and of course 'the Falklander'.

Roger Casstles
Executive Producer
THE CLOTHES SHOW
BBC Pebble Mill,
Birmingham

Janet and Graham head for Argentina to talk frankly

OUR lecture tour of Argentina commences today, and over the next two weeks we will address a variety of audiences in Buenos Aires, Patagonia, Cordoba and Mendoza.

We are grateful to those who have encouraged and assisted us in the preparation of our audio-visual presentation, which will enable us to accurately reflect the current views of Falkland Islanders.

Our lectures will tell Argentines frankly about the reality of the Falklands today. We know that in

social, economic and political terms, the Islands have changed a great deal since 1982, but the Argentines do not.

The Falklands story over the last ten years can command respect even from our political adversaries, and this can lead to a greater tolerance of our way of life, aspirations, and the right to determine our own future.

Graham Bound
Janet Robertson,
Stanley

Historic building listing: the intention explained

WE would like to take this opportunity to correct the impression that may have been given to readers of last week's *Penguin News* that private homes in Stanley have been 'listed' under Historic Buildings legislation without the consent of the owners. This is not the case and was never the intention.

The Historic Buildings Committee had prepared a survey of Stanley noting those... buildings which were of interest, because of their history, or because they were especially good examples of local architecture. The intention was that the results of the survey should be published as part of the Town Plan so that people should have the information for consideration, along with all the other proposals which have been put forward

It was also intended that all owners of buildings mentioned should be informed before the publication of the Town Plan, and letters were prepared to everyone involved. Unfortunately however, due to a misunderstanding, the Town Plan was released earlier than the anticipated date, which meant that we were unable to let owners know in advance that their houses had been included in the survey. We apologise for this, and for any misunderstandings or problems it may have caused.

The letters sent out ask for people's views and comments on the idea of formal listing, and also include an explanation of some of the criteria used in evaluating buildings, and a copy of the section of the 1991 Planning Act which covers listing. The committee hope for as wide a response as possible in order to get a good picture of how people feel about the whole question of historic buildings.

It is not possible, or desirable to keep a place in aspic and prevent any change or development. All the buildings we regard as interesting today were once new, and with many of them part of the interest lies in the way in which they have been adapted or altered over time. The houses being built now will form part of the legacy of the future. So to reassure those who fear that formal listing of a building means that no aspect of it can be changed, we should point out that this is not the case. Listing is simply an attempt to ensure that any future alterations are in keeping with the general character of the building.

The Historic Buildings Committee simply aims to help preserve the best of the past by pro-

moting awareness and giving practical and financial assistance where possible to anyone interested in preserving the character of their buildings. Several such projects have already been completed or are in hand, of which the newly painted Tabernacle is just one example. The committee hopes to produce a booklet later this year illustrating some examples of local building tradition. If, in the meantime, anyone has any comments or queries, please contact a member of the committee.

There are many different views on the value of history, and the value of attempting to preserve some of the sites, object, and buildings of former times, but to quote the American author John Steinbeck on the general importance of such things

'How will we know its worth - our past?'

Norma Edwards
Richard Hills
Shirley Hirtle
Jane Cameron
(Historic Buildings Committee)



The tabernacle after refurbishment in appropriate style

More readers letters on page 4

ONE of the things that is supposed to separate us from lower forms of animal life is our ability to recognise our own reflection. I suppose this assertion has been scientifically tested, but goodness knows how - kittens bat away at their own reflections in mirrors, but then they also fight their own tails and have battles with old socks. Cows, sheep and other large animals must occasionally glimpse their own reflections in still ponds, but the fact that they don't appear to us to react to the experience may mean something or nothing. After all, how do we react when catching a glimpse of ourselves unexpectedly reflected in a shop window? For every preener, tie-adjuster or hair comb, there are probably a hundred people who walk hurriedly by. Do they do this because they are not excited by their own image, because they simply do not recognise themselves or because, while both seeing and recognising their own image, they do not wish to accept it?

Television has taken over from still ponds and glass as the mirror of the age. Thanks to closed circuit TV, many of us have now had the somewhat unnerving experience of seeing ourselves staring out from the screens of television sets in the windows of electrical goods stores in Britain and elsewhere. Speaking personally, I find it a bit disturbing and often have a momentary difficulty in persuading myself that this image of red-faced, middle-aged over indulgence is mine. It's even worse, when as occasionally happens at petrol station checkouts, the view is from the back and it takes the fact that I am the only person standing at the counter to convince me that the overweight and balding nonentity I can see in the screen is actually me.

Because of this difficulty we have in reconciling self-image with reality, it is good, if somewhat nervous-making, to allow strangers to come among us and present us with a more objective view of ourselves than we ourselves can manage. Recently, we have had two such opportunities. Last Sunday, Cumbrian artist Alan Stones, who has been here since January, held his final exhibit in the Falklands and by happy coincidence, on the same day in Britain, television viewers saw the BBC TV programme Clothes Show from the Falklands, which we were able to see on Wednesday night. As a population I think we can emerge from both experiences with a sigh of relief, a great deal of pride and a real delight at being able to recognise the images that these "mirrors" have given us of a community which is viable, hard-working, enterprising and individualistic.

ATTEMPTING to allow other people to see us objectively is the aim of Graham Bound and Janet Robertson, who this week embark on their lecture tour of Argentina. Their aim, as they have both been at pains to spell out before leaving, is quite simply to show as many people as they are allowed access to, as much as they can about the realities of life in the Falklands in 1995. To this end Janet has really done her homework. She has visited government departments, officials and representatives of the private sector, gathering as much information as she could, to the extent that she is probably one of the best informed people around (as well as being one of the most enthusiastic) about all aspects of Falklands life. Beyond stating the Falklands position on sovereignty clearly, if asked, Janet and Graham are hoping to be able to be able to steer clear of that debate on the grounds that it is likely to interfere with the main purpose of their mission which is to fill the information vacuum which is known to exist in the Argentine over the day-to-day realities of Falklands existence.

Unfortunately, there are already signs that the strength of the Argentine obsessive preoccupation with the sovereignty issue may hinder, if not foil, Janet and Graham's objectives. From the English Language *Buenos Aires Herald* of March 14, under the heading "Malvinas islanders to arrive on mainland", we read,

"They are scheduled to offer a series of conferences on the islanders' view on Argentina's claim to sovereignty over the archipelago"

As it says in the song:
*"You can't talk to a man
If he don't want to understand"*

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Greg Scott replies to Susan Hansen

I WISH TO REPLY to Mrs Susan Hansen's letter in which she states her opinion on various matters relating to the National Stud Flock.

In reply to her first comment regarding the handling of the tenders for the ram and ewe hoggets, may I say that the Tender Board is in fact an advisory board to Executive Council, and in this instance the Board's recommendation was referred to them. I understand that the Chairman of the Tender Board has recently notified all those who submitted tenders as to the outcome.

The decision of the Tender Board was that none of the tenders were deemed suitable. Two of the Tenders were considered extremely expensive, bearing in mind that the management of the National Stud Flock requires cost recovery. Given these considerations, the Tender put forward by Main Point Farm seemed rather excessive. There is no doubting in any way their stockmanship and ability to deliver the animals in a fit and saleable condition at the end of the tender period. Rather, the Tender Board had extreme difficulty in justifying the cost, particularly in light that the extra running costs of the hoggets such as supplementary feeding, shearing and sheep transport to and from the successful tenderer's farm were to be borne by Government (I refer you to paragraph 3 for the Tender Document for clarification).

In light of the Tender Board's decision that none of the Tenders were acceptable, the decision to hold the animals at goose Green was made in consultation with Falkland Landholdings. At no stage prior to the Tender Board meeting was it decided as to where the hoggets were to go, as implied in Mrs Hansen's letter. The decision was made, in fact, as part of an ongoing larger project to find a permanent East Falkland location for the entire National Stud Flock, in light of the recent Commission of Inquiry Report.

I was genuinely disappointed that only one farmer from West Falkland attended the recent auction. I am receiving an increasing amount of criticism regarding the location of the sale particularly from those on the West. It appears that the underlying complaint (although no-one has been bold enough to suggest it) is that Government did not sponsor flights to the sale this year. From what I can ascertain, the reason for sponsored flights last year was a response to many farmers requesting a chance to view the

Stud Flock animals. This was taken into consideration by the Department of Agriculture. The sponsored flights were offered in conjunction with an Open Day to enable farmers to view the Stud Flock animals at Goose Green, as it was not physically possible to hold an Open Day on Sea Lion Island. This year, however, the flights were not sponsored as the auction was held in its own right as a commercial gathering to exchange quality sheep, and not as general viewing of the National Stud Flock. It would surprise me if farmers were not able to claim a flight to attend a livestock sale, and the subsequent transport of purchased animals, as a business expense, and therefore receive a tax rebate. If you are unsure of this, perhaps it is worth investigating. To put it another way, if any farmer on West Falkland had sheep for sale, would they be prepared to pay for flights and sheep transport for East Falkland farmers to attend and possibly purchase their sheep? I suspect not.

Mrs Hansen mentions the condition of the animals that were offered at the 1994 sale. I am not personally in a position to comment on their condition, nor on the subsequent losses incurred by some people. Suffice it to say that this year, we went to great lengths to ensure that the sheep being offered for sale as superior animals were in the best possible body condition, and that they were not in lamb. I am happy to say that many of those who did attend the sale were pleased with the condition of the animals, and commented that they were much better than those of last year. I am quietly confident that the problems experienced last year won't be repeated this year. But again, people must remember that they have purchased valuable animals, and that their investment must be managed accordingly to ensure the best possible results are obtained.

With regard to holding a Sale on the West. Might I pose the problem of what we do with any animals that don't sell if we come to the West? Might I also add that the cost to Government would be in the order of £2000 for the week immediately preceding the sale, for Government employees to receive and tend the sheep, organise the venue, allocate the sheep and employ suitable persons (who were not wishing to purchase) to assist during the actual sale. In addition, there are insufficient facilities to make last-minute alterations to sale catalogues if necessary.

Government is not an endless

coffer of money, and like any business we too have to operate as efficiently and cost-effectively as possible in a situation like this.

The future of the National Stud Flock will look something like this. The flock will be located on East Falkland on its own farm, and all animals will be grazed within the confines of the farm for each and every year. Future sales will occur at the farm, not at Goose Green as has been done over the past two years, and any farmers wishing to inspect the animals at other times will be most welcome to do so on an appointment basis. It is envisaged that farmers will develop enough faith in the animals coming from the National Stud Flock so that the issue of the sale site is immaterial to their attendance. Rather they will be intent on purchasing superior performance recorded animals with which to improve their own flock. In this way, the National Stud Flock will operate as any other commercial stud flock, and the benefits will be available to all wishing to take advantage of them.

I am sorry that some West Falkland farmers feel particularly disadvantaged by the actions surrounding the National Stud Flock. May I ensure you that it is not our intention to deliberately disadvantage any farmer. I only hope that the above points help to clarify our position in light of Mrs Hansen's comments.

Dr. Moore bids a fond farewell

I HOPE you will grant me one last opportunity to contribute to these pages; this time in a personal rather than official capacity.

I wish to record my thanks to all the staff at the KEMH who, with the support of other (often unsung) FIG departments, provide an extremely high quality health service. I am proud to have been a member of this team over the past two years, and I do not easily expect to enjoy such good working conditions on re-joining the NHS in the UK.

Carla, Laurence, Oliver and I have also experienced the warmth of the community spirit which is a feature of living in the Islands. We shall never be able to repay all kindnesses shown, except by wel-

coming visitors to our home in the UK in time to come. The naturalness of community life here is a rare thing, and is at risk from the rapid pace of development both now and in the years ahead, without careful monitoring of change.
Dr Tim Moore

The Falklander: an investment for the future

ON BEHALF of the board of Falkland Mill Ltd. I would like to publicly thank Jeff Banks, Roger Castels and the team of the BBC Clothes Show for the excellent programme that was shown on BFBS Television on Wednesday night. This programme is not only a good advertisement for Falkland Wool but also a wonderful promotion for the Falkland Islands in general.

The idea of the Clothes Show doing a feature on the Falkland Textile Industry came from the Clothes Show Production team as a result of their being shown some products from the Islands. This recognition of the quality of the Falkland Wool and Mill yarn shows that the problems and difficulties experienced by Falkland Mill over the last ten years have been worth while.

I would like also to take this opportunity to point out that none of this could have been possible without the foresightedness of councillors and the Falkland Islands Government who have financially supported the Mill over the years. I believe that we should never forget this in the future.

The Board should also like to take this opportunity to express their appreciation to the staff of the Mill who have worked over the years under great difficulty and uncertainty. We all hope that this is now the start of what we have been working towards all these years. There is a lot of hard work ahead for everybody. But I believe there is no reason why 'The Falklander' can not become a feature of what the Falkland Islands has to offer in the future.

JR Cockwell, Chairman, Falkland Mill

No one to blame

THERE is a strong rumour on the West that Coast Ridge Farm intends suing White Rock Ltd. for injuries received by Justin on the Port Howard road.

I would like to state that at no time did either Nigel or myself ever contemplate court action on Justin's behalf as anyone would be hard pushed to pin blame on either driver in this unfortunate accident
Shirley Knight, Fox Bay

Cannon belonged to the Stanley battery

THE CANNON found on the site of the new bank is believed to be one of the battery of cannons that stood behind the old Town Hall (1915-1944). The photograph shows the North side of the Town Hall. This area which contained the cannon battery was used for numerous official parades and other occasions appropriate to a British colony.

The cannon found on Monday is thought to be the one shown on the left of the photograph. Others from the battery are those now in place in front of the Secretariat. John Smith of the Stanley Museum pointed out that it was highly likely that the carriage is probably very nearby where the cannon was found, he is hopeful that this will be recovered also.



Photo Smith Collection

Abattoir accepted, but where will it be and how much will it cost?

AT LAST month's meeting of ExCo, the decision to proceed with the building of a new abattoir was taken, but the Megabid site preferred by the committee set up by FIDC was turned down and a new committee was set up to look for other sites, including one at Pony's Pass, to the south side of the quarry.

Executive Council member Wendy Teggart, explaining the decision to *Penguin News*, said that councillors had voiced a number of concerns about the Megabid site: it was in an area used for recreational purposes; people going to the beach would have to drive past the abattoir. Councillors were also concerned about the requirement for a pipe to be laid over a minefield to carry waste into the sea. Remembering the difficulties that had been experienced in bringing a water supply through a minefield at Fox Bay, councillors thought that the work would be "putting people at risk".

Councillors had, however, accepted the principle that a new abattoir was required, said Cllr Teggart, but they were unhappy about giving their agreement to a £1.2 million project, and having no more to say in the matter.

The committee which has now been formed to look at alternative sites comprises: Ian Dempster (FIDC), Robin Lee (FLH), John Barton and Conor Nolan (Fisheries, with a particular brief to advise on environmental considerations), Cllr Sharon Halford (ExCo) and Ted Jones (Butchery).

Among the considerations that will influence the choice of an alternative site, which was integral to the selection of the megabid site, is that to meet EEC stand-

ards, the water supply to the abattoir must be both plentiful and adequately treated. Unless a dedicated water treatment plant is included in the abattoir plan, thus substantially increasing the project's costs, then the abattoir, wherever it is sited, will need to be supplied by the existing Stanley Filtration Plant. In the case of the Pony's Pass site, PWD's estimate of the extra cost involved is in the region of £17,000.

Other services will, of course be required and for the Pony's Pass site, PWD's first estimates, given to ExCo, include a further £19,000 for the provision of electricity from the Stanley grid and £12,000 for the access road - the latter most necessary as it is envisaged that with time the majority of sheep and cattle arriving at the Abattoir will be trucked in.

Due to its distance from water, the greatest extra expense envisaged by PWD in the Pony's Pass site would lie in the provision of a waste pipe to the upper reaches of Port Harriet, which, it is estimated, would cost in the region of £70,000.

Ian Dempster of FIDC said that even were the majority of the waste from the abattoir to be incinerated (the provision of an incinerator, "if economically viable" having been 'understanding 5B' in the proposal document), this would not obviate the need for such a pipe to dispose of blood and other liquids from the plant. The cost of installing the pipe line would not be reduced by the provision of an incinerator, but the environmental penalties involved in releasing wastes into an enclosed and tidal stretch of water like Port Harriet would be reduced.

On the subject of the dangers of

laying a waste pipe over a minefield to achieve waste release in to the open sea at the Megabid site, Mr Dempster said that the width of actual minefield, (as opposed to prohibited area) to be crossed was small and EOD were confident that a relatively safe and easy method of clearing the narrow strip required could be found.

According to Ian Dempster, FIDC's first objectives have been achieved in that a feasibility study has been done, which has led to a decision to build the new abattoir.

What is now needed is specific planning in the light of the many issues which have been raised by the exercise so far, in order to be able to build a plant which is right for our requirements. No one in the Islands had the experience or expertise to advise on this so the next stage would be for a specialist consultant to be appointed. The MLC study had been used by FIDC as a "baseline", but this did not mean that its proposals were necessarily appropriate to our requirements.

Councillors Allowances 14 October 1993 to 31 December 1994

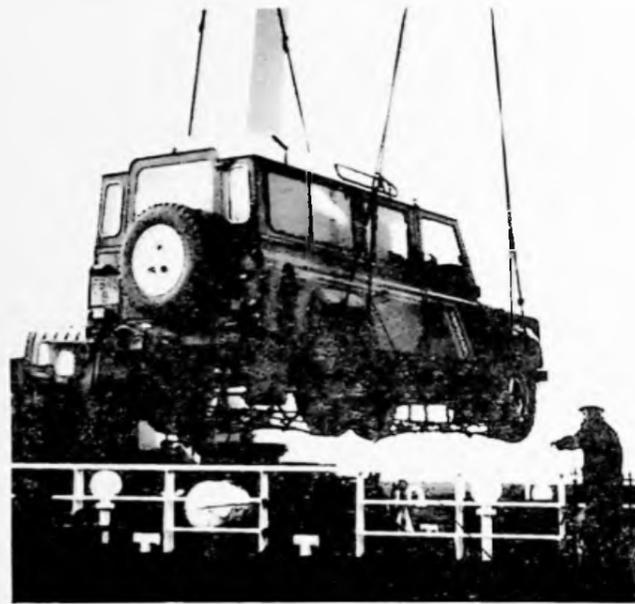
Name	Annual Allowance	Attendance Allowance	Ovs Allowance	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cheek J E	2788.94	4000	1050	7838.94
Edwards N	2788.94	1600	2450	6838.94
Goss E M	2788.94	3800	700	7288.94
Halford S	2788.94	3000	850	6638.94
Keenleyside (to 31/10/94)	2372.28	3100	0	5472.28
Luxton W	2580.61	2350	700	5630.61
Stevens R	2788.94	3975	1050	7813.94
Teggart C W	2788.94	3100	1100	6988.94
TOTAL	21686.53	24925	7900	54511.53

NOTE: Overseas accommodation, travel and telephone expenses are not included as they are reimbursement for actual costs incurred

The Councillors Attendance allowance has been increased by 50% beginning 1st January 1995 from £50 per meeting to £75 per meeting.

East is East and West is West, but which is best?

Ray Robson took advantage of the Camp SportsWeek ferry service arranged by Byron Marine and came back with the answer: "The West is best" This is his report on a great holiday:



Loading the Robson rover : Photo: Ray Robson

WE decided to hit the West. Sunday the 19 February saw us making our way toward KC to catch the ferry. It seemed strange to think that in a few hours we should be loose on the West Falklands in our own transport, totally independent. And...so it was.

That evening, after a few sherbets with our hosts Ann and Eddie in Port Howard, we made our way out for the first night's camp.

Next morning we went for a good look to the end of the road under construction. Full marks in that department, a couple of things really stand out; it was very very tidy and good signposting ensured even a totally confused person would end up somewhere.

This was dog trialling day and since we had left our cocker spaniel Mr Mo in Stanley we decided to cross the Warrah and move toward Turkey Rocks. Before we knew it we were practically at Hill Cove!!

The scenery along this skyline is incredible. All the islands are so close, and the mountains to the South of the track we were on are something else. It is noticeable also that this area of the West enjoys a fair share of stone runs.

I could say our route back toward PH was planned to go through Main Point!! Still it was nice to see and Ian soon put us right. I fancy it was a better and smoother track.

We camped at the Warrah/Green Pen. Tuesday dawned fairly cold with South 10/15 knot winds. Not the best of days to stand at the races. We went in and cleaned up and took a look at the action. The beer was brill and a visit around the bars before supper made our departure for a camp site look very dicky indeed. With lots of help from Eddie, Michael (a total mad-cap from South Harbour area) and John, (who lives quite close to Michael - and it shows!), we managed to stay until well after 10 pm. What is Copperhead anyway? Slept in the Landrover this night, didn't really feel like putting tents up!!!

Wednesday started coldish, wind still in the South and some rain. Waited for Ken and Joyce so we could follow them down to Fox Bay. They were hiding in 'Rat Castle', close to where we had "rested" for the night. We were joined by Teddy and Sybie who I

suspect were feeling quite fragile! (The dance last night apparently went with quite a swing, someone even lost their smalls!!)

We actually visited both 'Bays' after picking up a couple of poor stranded people from Little Chartres. How is the gear box Roger? We camped close to the original Chartres settlement that night. What a fantastic area.

Thursday the weather was very much better; bright and sunny with a moderate breeze at last from the west - wnw. Stayed in Port Howard and waited for the rest of the Fighting Pigs to arrive, set up the gear and that evening, (the only dance we attended!), had a good time drinking and playing. For some strange reason we still slept in a tent, can't quite remember why!

Friday again was bright and sunny. Dick and Bella took us to Westley. Another side of the west and again some splendid scenery. We travelled on into Hill Cove for a few minutes and then via Westley

again returned to PH.

Saturday was lazy; most all of the visitors had departed the day before. We fished a little in Port Howard Creek; lots of fish jumping, but few taking lures. Suddenly time was up and Sunday had arrived. Had it really been a whole week?

Tamar FI trotted in and nice as it was to see her, it confirmed the end of our holiday. Within three hours we were all suddenly back on the track for Stanley.

The trip in was a much faster and more confident affair leaving KC at 7.15 pm, getting to the road at 8.20 and then into Stanley for 10.30. The end of a quite fantastic time, enjoyed in many different ways by a lot of people. Many thanks also to Jenny and Tony at KC who counted us all out and back again!

I can only say that in my opinion the "ferry" provided by Byron Marine is a brilliant idea. Thanks very much and I am sure most

everyone will support this service and would like to see a jetty constructed at New Haven where, after all, the original plan had this service operating from.

The welcome extended by the residents to everyone who visited the Port Howard Sports was fantastic. Thanks to you all. See you all again very soon, hopefully. On a more personal note, a big thank you to Eddie and Ann Chandler of Port Howard for their hospitality.

Ray, Gaye and Debbi Robson.

LUCKY WE COULDN'T WALK LIKE EVERYONE TO SPEND AS MUCH TIME AS POSSIBLE IN THEIR BARS AS THEY HAVE LOTS OF BOOZE AND ARE AFRAID IT MAY GO OFF.

- J.S. BOBBY'S BAR WILL ONLY BE FOR RESIDENTS DUE TO HIS MOTAGE IN LAD NOT LIKING TO MUCH NOISE!

Sign outside a private bar at PH



Goring House, former home of the legendary "Mrs Mac"



The road on the West that makes it all possible

West Sports

Reviewing the sporting action at Port Howard, Patrick Watts comes to a different conclusion:

"THEY CAME they saw and they conquered" that oft used historical expression could easily be adapted in a sporting sense to the 'invaders' from East Falklands who carried across the Falklands Sounds all the major prizes at the 1995 West Falklands Sports Association Race Meeting which was held this year at Port Howard, courtesy of Carole and Rodney Lee and the inhabitants of the settlement.

Sharon Halford of Stanley took 'Magic' into first place in the traditional opener, the Maiden Plate, and Tyrone Whitney of Douglas Station made it an East Falklands double by with 'Snow King' in the following race. An East treble was unavoidable as Tyrone steered the fast moving Quickstep up the notorious Port Howard hill to take the F.I. tamed over 500 yds.

It was then that the mutterings could be heard... 'we don't mind the East horses coming over but the fast ones could have been left at home'.

It was left to Denise McPhee (a Stanley jockey) but riding fathers Roy Cove bred mare Rosalie to break the monopoly when she won the Pebble Plate with the 'invader' Smetanka in 3rd place.

The first big clash came over 800 yds when Keith Whitney took

up the challenge and gambled on a duel with the twice Governors Cup winner Wester Beagle. Spring Point jockey Ron Rozee knew after just 300 yards that the East Falkland bred horse, winner of the Xmas Champion Race in Stanley, was just too young & too fast to be caught and generously conceded defeat.

Of the 22 flat races held during the day no less than 13 went to the Easters and to no-ones surprise the big one - the Governors Cup - was carried off by the Whitneys with the brilliant Ensconce coming home an easy winner with Tyrone a confident and competent jockey.

Danny Donnelly, who graciously welcomed the Easters, did enjoy considerable success which made his journey from Roy Cove well worthwhile. Redwing, double Governors Cup winner in 93 & 94 won 2 races, while 'Rosalce' took the Port Howard stakes in addition to the Pebble Plate and finished a good second to Ensconce in the Governors Cup. These points gave Denise McPhee 2nd place in the Championship Jockey table which Tyrone Whitney, with his 9 wins won comfortably.

Sharon Halfords decision to take her horses to the West was a wise one as 'Stardust' took the

Ladies Race & F.I. Tamed, and 'Magic' made it a double by taking the Pickthorn Plate following the earlier Maiden plate victory.

Raymond Evans from Pebble Island giving many mounts to his children was happy to see daughter Tracy take the 600 yards Ladies race on 'Dusk' while he had success on 'Natasha' in the Consolation.

'Beagle' proved that there are a few more races remaining in the tank by winning the 800 F.I.B beating the old rival 'Shadow' from Pebble. Finally Sue Hansen of Main Point enjoyed a solitary victory on Sovereign in a 600 yards Ladies race.

The inevitable Championship double for Tyrone Whitney was recorded with his victories on the unbeaten 'Ensconce' in the Champion race open and 'Quickstep' in the Champion race FIB.

Keith Whitney will return to the West he has warned, but not next year to Fox Bay. However perennial Clerk of the Course Peter Robertson sounded a pessimistic note when he said that without the East Falklands participation the 1995 Port Howard races would have been a rather dismal affair as horses and jockeys are diminishing rapidly on the West.



Relaxing in the sun at the Port Howard Sports Photo: Heather Petterson

Community School fete brings in both crowds and money

THE Community School Fete held on Saturday March 11 raised £1330. Altogether there were 25 stalls, 16 of which were organised and run by groups of pupils. These stalls raised over £170.

The remainder of the money was raised on the following: raffles (£363.23), used clothing (£83.77), chocolate wheel (£314.26), white elephant (£102.52), plant stall (£52.15), book stall (£87.46), cafe (£135.61) and individual cash donations.

Of the money raised, £500 will be sent to Great Ormond Street Hospital in memory of Simon Summers whilst the remainder will be used to fund various activities and projects for the pupils throughout the school year.

The School would like to thank everyone who helped to make the day so successful - those who donated prizes and items for the stalls and everyone who came along on the day itself.



The stalls are a big attraction at the Community School Fete



Felicity Clarke - Scarecrow



Amber Shorrocks - Roman Soldier

Fancy Dress results

Pre/Recept: 1st Dragon - David Barton, 2nd Fairy - Anna Dowrick, 3rd Fairy - Bernice Hewitt
 Yr 1/2/3: 1st Cleopatra - Sian Gadd
 2nd Roman Soldier - Amber Shorrocks, 3rd Penguin - Sophie Saunders
 Yr 4/5/6: 1st Witch and Cat - Katy Teggan, Samantha Davies, 2nd Pancho Villa - Nabil Short, 3rd Roman Gentleman - Michael Poole
 Soldier - Mathew Burnett
 Yr 7: 1st Scarecrow - Felicity Clarke, 2nd Cool Dudes - Barbara Howells, Debbi Robson

Girl Guides appeal for leaders

The Girl Guides give us news that they have settled well into their new hall and are enjoying it immensely. However, news to report is both good and bad.

The Guides are sad to lose their Brown Owl, Mrs Grimmer, in a month and Mrs Rowlands resignation as Snowy Owl is also a blow (her new job does not allow her the time).

The girl's Guide Captain, Miss Halmshaw, will leave the Islands in about three months so, despite plenty of enthusiastic girls, they now have far few leaders. The situation is critical and they face the very real prospect of suspending the meetings.

If you could help with leadership in the following groups please contact them as soon as possible. Experience is not necessary and lots of fun is guaranteed.

Brownies - Monday 5-6pm
 Guides - Monday 6-7.45pm.
 On a happier note, this July

there is an International Guide Camp in Scotland, and the Guides are sending two Falkland Island Representatives, Claire Crowie and Tracy Freeman.

To maintain the building and to help with funding for the girls they have organised the following:

Early April - Fly Away Raffle Tickets will be on sale, and as most people already know the prizes are the flights, or cash equivalent.

Friday 5th May - 6-7pm Sponsored swim, by Rainbows, Brownies and Guides.

May - Tickets available for a new year of '200 Club' draws - organised by Mrs Janice Black for friends of Guiding.

There is a good year planned for the girls so they are hopeful that they will find the leaders so urgently needed.

The Guides send thanks to the parents for all the support they have given the association.

FIDF win Exercise Penguin Hop

Report by Mike Hanlon

EXERCISE PENGUIN HOP, the annual Stanley March and Shoot Competition took place on Saturday 11 March in weather conditions that were fairly wet for the first few teams to start, but gradually improved into a bright day, albeit a touch windy.

Initially 15 teams had entered but due to pre match injuries and unexpected commitments this was reduced to 12 on the actual day. (The lowest number of entries for many years!)

There were 4 teams from the recently arrived RIC: 4 from the Royal Engineers Field Squadron and one each from the FIDF, JCUFI, JSSU and the Resident Rapier Squadron.

Two teams received weight penalties at the start, the RE Fd Sqn A team of 15 minutes and the FIDF of 30 mins. The JSSU received a 30 minute penalty for an incomplete checkpoint visit and the RIC D team received a total of 45 minutes penalty for completing the march a man short.

Obviously these teams that had incurred penalties now faced an uphill task to make up the time in



From left: John Wade, Dave, Stephen Ford (son of Barry and Glenda Ford). Stephen and John are members of the Worcester and Sherwood Forresters.

this very competitive event and when all the results of the March were calculated it was seen that the RE Fd Sqn A team were lying in pole position with an overall march time of 155 minutes, (actual march time 140 minutes), and the FIDF were in joint 5th position with an overall march time of 168 minutes, (actual march time being 138 minutes...this being the fast-

est on the day!)

As the overall average march time was 180 minutes it can be seen that a tremendous amount of effort and motivation was put into the march by these teams to overcome their initial penalties.

So then it all came down to the shoot phase.

A 100 metre run to a 100 metre engagement against 15 mixed 6"

and 12" plates. Suffice to say that a great majority of teams found this far more difficult than was expected and a tendency to fire too high and at times perhaps, too fast was clearly seen. In the event only two teams managed to 'kill' all the plates.

The Resident Rapier Squadron maintained their excellent record in this competition and cleared all the plates handing back 34 rounds which gave them a 68 minute reduction in their overall time and hoisted them to second place.

The FIDF, led by WO2(FSM) Andy Brownlee, and comprising of Cpl William Goss, Cpl Chris Harris, LCpl Hawkey Jaffray, LCpl Ralph Harris and Pte Hugh Marsden, carried out an excellently controlled shoot clearing all the plates and handing back 43 rounds resulting in a massive 86 minute reduction in their overall time, which took them to first place.

The FIDF would like to thank all the competitors for their effort and commitment and also all the military and civilian personnel who gave up their time and carried out sterling work on the staffing of the competition.

A special thank you to Jeannie McKay for the excellent burger service she provided at the range.

The final results were:

TEAM	FINAL OVERALL MARCH & SHOOT TIME	POSITION
FIDF	84.44	1
RRS	102.66	2
RE FD SQN SP	167.53	3
RE FD SQN A	168.08	4
RIC A	173.53	5
RIC C	194.35	6
RIC B	200.13	7
JCUFI	202.36	8
RE FD SQN HQ	211.57	9
RE FD SQN B	232.30	10



WO2(FSM) Andy Brownlee receives winners cup from HE The Governor

Heidi passes with flying colours

HEIDI BLAKE, (daughter of Tony and Lyn of Little Chartres Farm) has been notching up some excellent achievements in wool handling since she moved to the South Island of New Zealand.

Eileen Mowat wrote to Penguin News to tell us what Heidi had been up to. Heidi moved to New Zealand in 1988 and with the support and encouragement of her parents gained a certificate in wool at Lincoln Agriculture College.

From that time on she has travelled between New Zealand and Australia following the seasons. Last year she attended an 'advanced wool handling' course in Palmerston North which she passed with flying colours (topping the class in the practical section).

This year the Southland farmers have benefited greatly from Heidi's wealth of experience. She can also be found to be getting up in the early hours of the morning to travel to competitions. Having now entered six in all, her efforts have paid off and most impressively she achieved second place in the Junior Woolhandler of the Year competition. Other results are as follows:

- 7th at Mossburn - full wool
- 7th Riversdale Lamb Shearing Championships
- 4th Wiakaka - full wool
- 2nd Lawrence - Lambs
- 2nd Balclutha - full wool
- 3rd Gore - full wool
- 4th Golden Shears Junior Wool handling Final (and top in her qualifying rounds)

Whirly birds stir up trouble

GADZOOKS - will someone take pity on this poor creature and get me outta here like now.

You'd think this was a lunatic asylum, the way those two are going at it. Not only do they have a blazing row over absolutely nothing (as far as I can tell) but there's a bunch of people arriving by helicopter tomorrow for lunch, it seems, and the Missus told them not to bring their own sandwiches.

I think she sees the occasion as some kind of challenge or something, the way she's flying round the house in ever decreasing circles to get things halfway ship-shape and all the food prepared. It's a good job the salad stuff came on the plane yesterday, or I reckon she'd be certifiable by now.

Yesterday the hot water stopped, as the cold water pressure had dropped badly; the poor old Boss had to go and sort things out as the Missus was getting frantic at the prospect of fifteen people around and the loo out of order....

No sooner had he got that sorted than he was roped in to help with food preparation. Right now he's

busy shelling hardboiled eggs - and I can't wait till he reaches the bad one I slipped in with the good 'uns earlier on...

Only joking, unfortunately - but it really is a job to know which eggs are good and which are bad just now, as the hens have caught on to the game of 'hide the egg' with a vengeance. One old girl's managed to stash herself away behind a large clump of tussock in the garden, and is sitting on a small mountain of her own eggs. Dunno how long she's been there, which is a shame.

Means I won't know when the chicks are due to hatch - mostly fluff of course, but tasty all the same - so I'll just have to try and beat the Missus to it. I haven't told anyone else about the nest, as they don't live by the 'share and share alike' rule and I don't see why they should share my personal chicken-takeaway bonanza...

The only reason I know where the clucky has her nest is because there's been an elderly chap staying here for a few days and he rashly volunteered to help with

any jobs that needed doing. He got lumbered with the job of painting the trellis fence round the garden - which was a pretty mean trick for the Missus to play on him, I reckon. Anyway, this chap was painting away just before lunch the other day, when he thought he heard his tummy rumbling.

It was only when the rumbles grew louder and more frequent that he realised they weren't coming from his tum at all, but from the old clucky hen warning him to stay clear of her hiding place. The silly old bat gave herself away nicely; I reckon if she'd kept quiet he'd never have spotted her. Other than with paint, that is...

I expect it's the fence painting that's brought all this rain on. That kind of job always has that effect, I've noticed. What a bore. Means I can't go out and sunbathe, handy to where the clucky hen is sitting, to keep an eye or rather an ear on her brood's progress. Ah, well. It'll be just as entertaining listening in the porch to the Missus and the Boss getting steadily more frustrated...

That Clothes Show thing is on telly tonight, and the Missus is afraid she'll miss it. You'd think she'd have had enough of the blasted thing by now, but nope... The Boss says he'll have to widen the doorways if she gets to see herself on the box. Reckon he's right, too, the way she keeps going on about it all.

Second son is coming home tomorrow for a couple of days, and he was a model in the show apparently so perhaps he's escaping from the embarrassment of his pals watching him on telly. Personally I think my nephew Ernest is far more photogenic, but obviously the producer hadn't got any taste. Us cats get a raw deal sometimes...

Cheer, chays.
Love

Baldrick

Preserving our past is to preserve ourselves

ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON I went along to the final viewing of Alan Stones pictures. It was captivating, you could actually see that delicate little pink bit some sheep have in their ears, even in the black and white work!

I only wish I had enough spare cash to buy one, let alone the two or three I would have bought if money had been no object.

Alas, the guilty thought of my cranky old fridge, (that is due for renewal) huffing and puffing in the corner, valiantly trying to keep the contents at the required temperature finally overcame my impulsive urge to say, "oh what the hell" and buy one.

It's quite sad really isn't it? How this awful power (money) has us all, in one way or another, in its grubby little grip. It certainly stunts my inclination to acquire things aesthetically pleasing when weighed against the practicalities of everyday life, and no doubt I am not alone.

After all, of what use is an expensive painting hanging on the wall? Or for that matter, of what use is an ornamental statue? What use artefacts from bygone days? What use photographic collections? Or stamp collections? They all just sit or hang there needing cleaning, maintenance, money.

So why do we buy or keep such things when we can look at the landscape, the skies, at the life going on all around us, the changing beauty of the seasons, the faces of the people we love.

We all periodically dig out the old albums and it isn't just a photo is it? It's a memory, an emotion and you remember people and events, things you may even have thought you had forgotten, happy times, sad times and the stories your parents told you of the times before you were born.

Why do we save and squirrel away things of no particular value, pay large sums of money to restore old buildings or to preserve structures like Bodie Creek Bridge, when it has apparently lived out its usefulness?

Why do we revive long or nearly forgotten skills; like the recent revival of dry stone walling, which adds a practical as well as fulfilling value to our life.

No doubt some of these things appreciate in value, or earn money from tourists who come to view.

But surely there is more to it, not just money?

So why do we travel miles to gaze at an old bridge. Tire ourselves and get sore feet walking around old cities, museums, cathedrals?

We are notoriously a throw away society so why this propensity for collecting, preserving and surrounding ourselves with objects, the need to seek and revere our past?

Is it merely a desire to surround ourselves with pleasant things? Is it insurance for that rainy day when we can sell our valuables to some other collector, collecting for his rainy day? Or could it be because to have a likeness, as in art, or the simple family album, or to preserve something, be it a building or way of life, is an attempt to capture our living, this life all around us which is so very elusive and fleeting?

To say to our future, this is what we were, this also what you are. Are we preserving our very selves?

I believe many of us have feelings like this. Therefore, it is easy to assume that what is important to you, is also important to everyone else.

Which I suspect some will say is a very naive way of thinking, or who would dismiss such feelings as just so much nonsense as emotional romanticism.

We can only assume because of the ExCo decision not to buy Nutt Cartmell's stamp collection that there are at least two such Philistines among councillors, or three, counting the other one in the LegCo vote.

In my innocence I thought, like many others, that the collection would be bought as a matter of course. That there was no possibility of it becoming an issue.

In a sense it is worrying, the asking price is very low, a mere snippet, so why the refusal to buy? I think we should be given a reason.

Is our cup not as runneth over as we thought it was? Is money being put aside to procure yet another expert to come and tell us what we already know? Is the entertainment kitty a bit on the low side?

With FIDC Mike Summers apparently wheeling and dealing with our Chilean neighbours, TBE 10-17 MARCH, and making an excellent job of developing trade and business (for Chile anyway!) and the prospect of another visit from Chilean businessmen looming, is it perhaps seen as prudent to put on a good show?

Or are we still saving for that rainy day? Was the ExCo decision really just about money? If, as has been suggested to me, a personally held prejudice influenced that decision, then it is indeed a sad and rainy day.

Councillors represent us, they are our collective voice. If any of them do not throw their personal choice/views/opinions in the melting pot along with ours and then go with the majority view, then something is very wrong.

It appears to me that on this one, the majority view is to buy Nutt's stamp collection. With each stamp he collected he built a picture for us to keep forever, it is probably the only one of its kind, a fitting epitaph for such a generous unassuming man.

ExCo is made up of three stubborn women. Not my words, Wendy Teggart's in the phone-in with Mr Wallace. Who apparently refuse to allow the administration to change their minds on any decision they make. Which is very reassuring, but you are our voice, the money (if that is the issue) is public money, and this time you got it wrong.

I believe the three women on ExCo to be staunch Falkland Islanders. Wendy is rightly proud of being of the Bigg's lineage and an

outspoken forward thinking person.

Sharon quite often gets on her high horse in more ways than one when faced with a moral, social or Falkland identity issue.

Norma, who I have been told was not against buying the stamps, gives the impression she would defend the camp from extinction with her last breath.

They all robustly promote the Falkland Islands, our way of life, self determination, our heritage, our history.

So Why? Did that old frugal housewife that lurks in all women, (despite emancipation lip-service equality and social justice) come to the fore, was a stern 'need versus want' philosophy applied?

If it did - shame on you. Not only should you think of our practical needs, think as well on our aesthetic.

I mean, look at me, every time I put the milk in my sparkling discreetly humming new fridge, I'll be reminded of that Alan Stone picture and think, if only.....

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are invited to fill a vacancy in the Power & Electrical Section of the Public Works Department for a Watchkeeper/Handyman at the Power Station. Applicants should preferably have some mechanical knowledge, be interested in the operation of machinery, and be a good all round handyman. The duties of the post involve watch-keeping on a shift basis. Salary ranges from £3.72 to £4.11 per hour. Further details of the duties involved can be obtained by contacting Mr Bob Gilbert, Assistant Superintendent, Power Station, during normal working hours. Application forms are available from the Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat to reach her no later than 4.30 pm on Wednesday 22nd March 1995. Ref: STF/24 Public Notice No: 2/95 13 March 1995

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Falkland Islands Government has a vacancy for a Junior Clerk in the Secretariat. This vacancy would suit a school leaver with a particular interest in office work. Training in general office procedures will be given. Preference will be given to candidates who hold qualifications in word processing and a GCSE in English Language of Grade C or above. A pleasant manner when dealing with the general public is essential. Salary will be in Grade GO/1/2 which commenced at £6,516 per annum for a sixteen year old and rises by increments to £10,572 per annum. Interested persons should contact the Chief Clerk Secretariat during normal working hours for more details, a job description and an application form. Completed forms together with school Records of Achievement should be submitted to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat no later than 4.30 pm on Thursday 16th March 1995. Records of Achievement will be returned following the Appointments Board. Ref: STF/6 Public Notice No: 44/95 9 March 1995

The United Kingdom

National Code Change
16 April 1995

PHONEDAY

Remember the U.K National Code Change takes place on Easter Sunday, 16 April.

All codes will have a **1** inserted as an additional digit preceding the existing code.

In five major cities there is a more complex change, both the code and number will change as follows:

Bristol:	272 xxxxxx	becomes	117 9xxxxxx
Leeds:	532 xxxxxx	becomes	113 2xxxxxx
Leicester:	533 xxxxxx	becomes	116 2xxxxxx
Nottingham:	602 xxxxxx	becomes	115 9xxxxxx
Sheffield:	742 xxxxxx	becomes	114 2xxxxxx

In addition the U.K will be changing their international dialling code from 010 to 00.

If further information is required, telephone Cable & Wireless on 22301.

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XL 125 Motorbike, ideal for spares, reconditioned engine, Phone 31106.

NOTICES

Flea Market

There will be a Flea Market on Sunday 19th March in the FIDF Hall from 2-4pm. Anyone wishing to book a stall please ring Anya on Tel. 21857 or Alison on Tel. 21230

Situation Vacant

Jack or Jill of all trades. Book-keeper, bar-keeper and kitchen helper. Apply in writing to Trevor Lowe, Globe Hotel.

Clarke's Roadside Inn is currently looking for part time help. Applicants must be willing to live in. Wages negotiable. For further details please telephone 31041 evenings only.

Message to farmers from FIC

When sending your wool overland please make sure you have included a tally sheet or wool specification detailing and accompanying your shipment. Your co-operation will be very much appreciated. Thank you.

WANTED

Arc Welder, 180 amp (approx). Must be in good condition - Tel 21638

PERSONAL

Rose, Tony and John, would like to thank the midwives and Doctor Diggle for the safe arrival of Dominic, also special thanks to all the medical team for all they did for Nikki.

Specially for John and Nikki. Congratulations on the birth of your baby son Dominic - Love always from Mum, Dad and Jax's

Message of Thanks

Shirley Peck and family would like to thank all those people who sent cards and flowers at the time of their recent sad loss

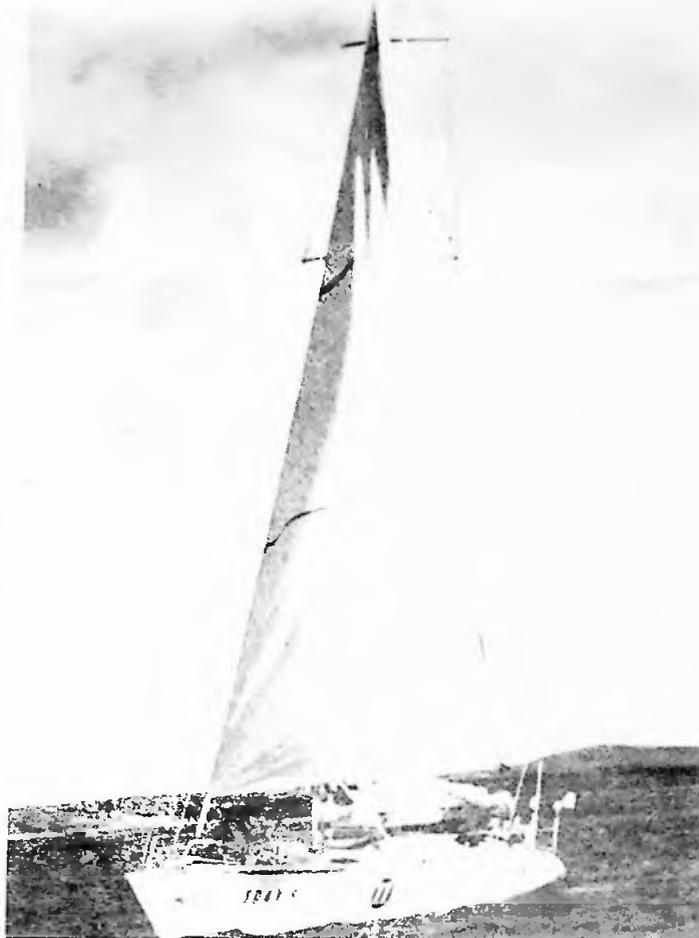
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Amet Taylors Yacht *Thursdays Child* leaves the Falklands on Tuesday.

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AUCTION BRIDGE RESULTS

for 15th March

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From the
FIDF Rifle
Association
19th March 1995

The C.J. McCallum Trophy was shot for on the 12th March. Chris McCallum won the cup after a tie shoot with Mike Pole-Evans. Scores: Chris McCallum - 133, Mike Pole-Evans - 133, Ken Aldridge - 132, Tim McCallum - 132, Pat Peck - 128

POSTSCRIPT FROM THE BAHAI'S

"Oh that's just human nature." How often we hear that expression. A man's ego has been bruised; he ends up in a fight. A man throws a punch in a pub, and it winds up in a free-for-all.

In a time when a product, such as a particular food item, is in short supply, a few people may try to buy up the existing stock and hoard it, disregarding the needs of their neighbours. When there is prevailing unemployment, two people fight over a job. A child behaves very badly, but the parents defend him regardless. Two countries go to war over a barren piece of land.

It's all, as they say, human nature. Or is it?

Animals, too, fight from very little provocation, or perhaps none at all. They may have a set piece of land within certain barriers, which they mark off as their terri-

tory and which they defend fiercely. Many mammals are particularly dangerous when they are defending their young. Predatory animals will fight with everything they have to retain the game they have just killed.

So, a lot of our behaviour is more animal than human. Where does human nature come in?

A parent uses his last remaining funds to feed his child rather than himself. A man refuses to allow his bruised ego to impel him into a crude and needless fight. A mother recognises that the school teacher who has disciplined her child for unruly behaviour has done the child a favour, and therefore supports her.

Therefore, we seem to have an animal nature and a human nature. Humanity is that much better off when we try to be truly human.

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"Loch and a hard place" choice for Landholdings

THE ability of Falkland Landholdings to act independently of FIG, its major shareholder, could be put to the test as a result of an extraordinary meeting of Executive Council on Wednesday, which resulted in the Managing Director of FLH, Mr Robin Lee, being asked to provide land at Brenton Loch for the permanent location of the National Stud Flock.

At the meeting, ExCo had examined papers from the Department of Agriculture and the Landholdings General Manager,

which made separate suggestions for housing the stud flock. The Director of Agriculture wished to see it established at Brenton Loch, near Saladero, while FLH were prepared to offer land at Swan Inlet.

Initially the Agricultural Department had been acting on the recommendations of the Stud Flock Commission in asking for some 19,000 acres, which would be adequate, not just for the stud flock, but also for the establishment of an associated 'Model Farm'.

Speaking on Friday, FIG Sheep Scientist/Wool advisor, Greg Scott, said that his understanding was that the Agricultural Department were looking at the move to Brenton Loch as a two to three phase project. The immediate need was for suitable pasture for the NSF sheep currently in the Goose Green paddocks, a demand which would rise to about 5,000 acres early in the new year, when it was hoped to transfer the remaining NSF sheep from Sea Lion Island.

Greg did not think that the 'model farm' idea would be implemented, but it was envisaged that ultimately a 'dry' flock would be run alongside the NSF to help defray the latter's expenses. Depending on the size of this flock, the Agricultural department could be looking for around 15,000 acres in the long term.

Commenting on ExCo's preference for the Brenton Loch location, rather than Swan Inlet, Cllr Norma Edwards said that Swan Inlet had given much poorer lambing percentages than Brenton Loch, where she thought there were less ditches and holes and the chances of human disturbance of flocks at critical times were less. The proximity of Paragon House and Goose Green itself were also factors in the decision.

The General Manager of Landholdings will be meeting with his Board before reporting back to ExCo to deliver their response on March 29.

Theoretically, as an independent company which is expected to seek the best commercial advantage for its shareholders, FLH could refuse to part with the land at Brenton Loch, even though there is likely to be an element of financial compensation in the deal.

Such a refusal would lead to a situation described by Cllr Edwards as "very interesting".

FLH General Manager, Robin Lee, was not available for comment on Friday, being away at Goose Green involved in another potentially controversial site choice; that of the new abattoir.

Commons Debate on Falklands

THE adjournment debate on the Falkland Islands in the House of Commons last Wednesday, led by recent visitor Sir Andrew Bowden, brought few surprises except, perhaps, in the breadth of support for the Falklands over the sovereignty question from both sides of the house.

Almost every MP who has ever visited the Islands in recent years took the opportunity to pledge support for the Islanders' right to greater autonomy and self-determination, a convincing rebuff, were one needed, to those who think that such visits are a waste of money.

In a debate largely free from inter-party wrangling, Mr John Austin-Walker (Lab.), who with Sir Andrew Bowden attended the recent CPA Seminar in Stanley, said: "Many of the islanders whom I met considered it unfortunate that they have been viewed in some quarters as a Tory trophy" and expressed the hope that the debate would provide a different perspective.

Mr Austin-Walker, like other members, queried the historical legitimacy of the Argentine claim and expressed the view that Islanders were right to query a philosophy "which suggests that killing the local population provides more secure territorial rights than settling empty islands."

Perhaps the most surprising expression of support came from Mr Jacques Arnold, a member of the British-Latin American parliamentary group, who paid tribute to the advances made by Argentina in recent years and commended President Menem for creating a stable economy but said that "as a friend of Argentina" he was pained by Menem's "unwise claim" that Argentina should retake the Islands by the year 2000.

The debate closed with a vigorous and supportive speech from the Minister of State, FCO, Mr David Davis, who described the Falklands as "a society that is going places".

National Trust do right by Nutt

THE stamp collection of the late Nutt Cartmel of Goose Green will remain in the Falklands, despite the recent controversial decision by Executive Council not to purchase it.

A press release on Thursday from the Falkland Islands Museum and National Trust reads:

"At a meeting of the Trustees on 21 March 1995 it was unanimously decided that the Falkland Islands Museum and National Trust should purchase this unique collection in order that ownership remains within the Islands. In the event of a Philatelic Museum being established in Stanley, the collection would be loaned for display in the appropriate manner."

West Falklands Executive Councillor Norma Edwards, who had voted in favour of the collection being purchased, said on Friday that she was "delighted" by the news. She had felt very strongly that the collection should not be lost, as she also believed that Bodie Creek should not be allowed to fall down.

On the subject of an appropriate site for the display of Nutt's stamp collection and the wealth of other philatelic material in public ownership in the

Falklands, Cllr Edwards said that she believed the present Standard Chartered Bank building would be admirably suited to become a philatelic museum.

At the Museum on Friday morning, curator John Smith and National Trust Chairman, Joan Spruce, were examining the collection that they had just collected in two large boxes.

It had been, said Joan, what the Trustees considered to be an emergency situation and although they had had to shelve a couple of "hefty" projects, to afford it, they were glad that they had had the funds to make the purchase. With careful management and judicious selling of duplicates over the next few years, it was hoped that a substantial proportion of the purchase price would be recovered.

Asked what would happen to the collection, John Smith said that it was hoped to form a panel of philatelists to assist in making a complete inventory of the collection and to advise on its storage and conservation. This would take some time, but the aim was that much of the collection could be put on display in the Museum during Farmers' Week, to allow people to see what had been bought in their name.



YOUR LETTERS...

Susan Hansen replies to Greg Scott

THANK you for your letter of 10 March. We have in fact received an official letter of notification dated 8th March saying our tender was not successful.

I would like to thank you for pointing out the reasons why our tender was turned down. Though I would like to comment on this.

The tender from Main Point may have been as you say "rather excessive", though the figures you quoted me in your personal letter would have been correct only if every single hogget had survived the year. I don't believe any Falkland Island Farm could guarantee 100% survival rate for hoggets.

We based our tender for the ram hoggets on a Government wage of Grade 4 and this would only have been if every ram hogget survived, we would expect some death rate although we felt unable to predict how many not knowing at the time what condition the hoggets were in. Had they been in the condition that they were in the previous year then the death rate could have been considerable.

Two of the extra running costs you quoted that Government would have to meet were

a) supplementary feed. Provided the hoggets were in reasonable condition we wouldn't expect to have to supplement feed them at all. We have locally bred Polwarth hoggets doing very well at Main Point without supplementary feed. The Tender does state "The successful tenderer will provide sufficient grazing in terms of quality and quantity"

b) you also quoted shearing costs. Had our tender been successful it was our intention I would shear the hoggets myself with no cost to Government. This and all other running costs were covered in our tender. Such as is stated in the tender form: "daily shepherding, accounting for all sheep deaths and maintenance of sheep identification. All hoggets to be shorn, mid-side sampled, body weights recorded. Provision for accommodation and board for Department of Agriculture staff and contract labour. The flock must never be abandoned"

Obviously if all the National Stud Flock sheep can be run together the cost will be less than if the hoggets were being run on a separate farm to the breeding sheep. So I fully appreciate why you want them altogether.

I do believe though that had it just been the costs of the West Tenders that stopped the Board accepting them, then they could have had consultations with the West tenderers as well as with Falkland Landholdings. As it was we heard nothing from the Tender Board until the letter of 8th March

Finally I would like to comment about the reasons you give for not having a sale on West Falkland. Firstly "what to do with the animals that are not sold at the sale". I believe at the past two sales there were very few animals not sold, but maybe that was not so. Anyway I presume for the past two sales there must have been some agreement that Falkland Landholdings would hold the animals until it was decided what to do with them. So why could such an agreement not be met with the West Farm at which you might hold a sale?

You quoted that a cost to Government in order of £2000 in the week prior to a sale should one be held on the West. Might I ask what the cost to Government is now in the week immediately preceding the sale at Goose Green.

Susan Hansen,
Main Point Farm

Thanks
all
around

BY NOW MOST OF US have seen it and made up our minds whether it was all worth the effort and hype. For my own part the Clothes Show programme has been tremendously successful, both in portraying the Falkland Islands for what they truly are and developing an opportunity to maintain a part of that identity through the development of a world class sweater design.

I simply want to thank all of those people who came forward to help and participate in the overall production, especially those who received no televised recognition of their crucial input. But even then its possible to get it wrong - sorry Nigel.

Without St Mary's Hall, the Community School, the Laundry, the MOD, the carpenters, carpet layers, hairdressers, make up artists, transporters, printers, and many others we would have been struggling to say the least. Thanks also to F.I.B.S., B.F.B.S., the Tea Berry Express and the Penguin News.

The designers and knitters have surpassed themselves and thoroughly deserve the acclaim of the Falkland Islands community. Likewise we should recognise the efforts of the Falkland Mill staff in producing a yarn worthy of the Jeff Banks' unique design.

Ian Dempster
Acting General Manager
FIDC
STANLEY

...write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley

What IS Patrick muttering about?

TWICE I have seen Patrick Watts refer to "the mutterings" at Port Howard sports on THE day he attended the meeting. Presumably, he means that the people were not happy because Keith Whitney and Sharon Halford had brought horses from the east Falkland and these horses swept the board.

I find this comment hard to accept as I think even before race day began, people expected Tyrone to be champion jockey, but were glad to see new horses and see how they performed.

If Patrick wished to hear "mutterings", I suggest he should have listened to other subjects. Horse racing was quiet compared to whether the west road should go towards Port Stephens or Roy Cove after Fox Bay - whether United could win the league or even the double - the future of the National Stud Flock - or just the season's

shearing in general.

Surely the only difference in this year's west races and several other previous years was that Tyrone on Keith's horses was barred from the tote, and not Raymond on his horses from Pebble? When Patrick says that Sharon Halford's decision to take her horses to the west was a wise one, he leaves me feeling that it is Patrick who is worried by the results and not those around him. I cannot begin to think what his report will say about the west people and their sports when Don Bonner brings his Chilean horses to a west sports. Well done Sharon, well done Keith, and I know the later was involved in his fairshare of what I would call 'usual sports week arguments', but maybe these are the "mutterings" that Patrick keeps referring to!

Susan Hirtle, Pebble Island

Stan remembers the Berrido family

HAVING read the P.N 24 Dec, 1994 regarding the Berrido family who used to be resident of Goose Green farm at the commencement of my working life in 1938. The enquiry by a Mrs Donelan, the following may be of interest to the said reader:

Philip Secundo Berrido arrived in Goose Green from Chile about mid 1910's ie. 1914. Then a youth of about 14 years of age, he took part in the canning of surplus sheep carcasses which was at that time a yearly event from April - June. 'Brownie', as he was better known to all, stayed in the Falklands and married into the Whitlock family - Louise, known to all as Lucy.

Entered into the farm employment on Dec 1, 1938. I knew the Berrido's from childhood and at that time I remember that Henry and Charlie had left and joined the Merchant Navy. After the outbreak of the 1939-45 war, Philip Jr. joined the RAF, as did Bertie, if my memory serves me correctly.

Jock joined the Navy in 1944. Louise, the only girl in the family, entered into the domestic service and held various jobs in the capital, Stanley. She later married a Scotsman by the name of Walter Murdock in 1949, then returned to Goose Green farm as a married shepherd. Unfortunately Louise died from Tuberculosis about 2 years later.

Louise is survived by a daughter Shirley who now resides somewhere in the U.K. Arthur, who was handicapped, suffering physical

and mental disability, died at the age of 16. Alexander, Tom as he was better known, never left home and died at the early age of 44.

Pardon me if I am a year or so adrift with the years, but this is a fairly true picture of the Berrido family. Finally, Mrs Berrido passed on in the early '50's and Brownie, as he was always known, passed on much later - about 1969 at the age of 82. Nobody knew his age for sure!

Stan Smith, Shropshire

**Newcastle
Australia
continues the
BOC Chal-
lenge with
Stanley's help**

Please express my thanks and appreciation to the people in Stanley for the hospitality and assistance I received during my recent unscheduled stop in the Falklands to re rig "Newcastle Australia" and continue in the BOC Challenge... The help and support I received was tremendous and I look forward to possibly visiting the Islands again, minus the drama!

Alan Nebauer
Skipper "Newcastle Australia"

Mrs. Patricia Luxton

IT WAS a day of great sadness when Pat Luxton lost the battle against ill health, which she had fought with such determination, and died at the KEM Hospital, Stanley, at the age of 51. Up until the end, her main concern was not for herself but for her beloved husband and son.

Pat was laid to rest in the Old House cemetery at Chartres on Wednesday 15 March. Nearly a hundred friends travelled from all over the West to pay their respects, and afterwards were kind enough to drive on to Chartres for a cup of tea with the family.

Pat was born on 19 November 1943 in the village of Cootham near Storrington in Sussex. Somehow it seems appropriate that a person with such humour and zest for living was born in the village pub during an air raid! Her father was a Fishmonger and Greengrocer and after his death, when Pat was only ten, her mother continued to run the grocery business in Storrington. An aunt and uncle had a farm near Pulborough, and Pat had her own pony from an early age.

After completing her education and working in a few different jobs Pat worked with a firm of accountants. The Office Manager, Martin Creece, had been FIC Office Manager in Stanley. Pat was fascinated by his stories of life in the Falklands, and after hearing that Chartres were looking for a school teacher/book keeper, and meeting Mr Keith Luxton, a four year contract was arranged.

Pat arrived at Chartres in 1966. She loved the life, and soon bought a mare which she named Cherokee. Pat became well-known on the race-course, and collected many prizes with Cherokee and Yeoman.

On 31 December 1970 Pat and Bill were married at Hill Cove by Tim Blake. Pat gave up teaching and became more involved in the farm work. She became an expert stockwoman and wool classer - a fact borne out by the trophies brought home from the West Falkland Ram & Fleece Show. Pat's happiness was complete when their son Stephen was born in 1972.

Always a staunch supporter of the Falklands way of life (as one visiting MP has cause to remember!) Pat became a big attraction to the media in England after she, Bill and Stephen were deported by the Argentines in 1982 - an articulate, attractive lady with fire in her soul was just their idea of good copy.

Pat will be remembered most for her unflinching sense of humour, her tremendous sense of fun and love of life. She made the Falklands hers and loved the place and its people.

The Cancer Support and Awareness Trust is holding an IRONING MARATHON

at the
Daycare Centre in the KEMH
on
April 8th, 1995
2pm - 5pm

at only 50p per pound dry weight.
You are all invited to inundate us with your ironing so that our willing, cheerful and experienced volunteers will smooth your clothes to perfection.

HAVING from time to time made comparisons between the Scottish Island of Arran, where I lived for a while, and the Falklands. I hope the reader will bear with me if I do so again.

Once again, the source of my pondering is the estimable *Arran Banner*, the Island's weekly newspaper, which strongly resembles the *Penguin News* both in its format and in the concerns expressed in its pages; there is a sort of sovereignty debate going on as the Island waits to discover by which region of Scotland it will be administered after the planned dissolution of Strathclyde (though some Arran residents still feel that they properly belong in Argyll from which they were separated some years ago); there is recurring dissatisfaction voiced about access to the Island, which, as in the Falklands, often does not run smoothly and is in the hands of a highly subsidized, monopoly operator; there are concerns about tourism (the lack of it), educational opportunities (the lack of them), the police (too many of them), employment (the lack of it) and the environment.

Being situated in the Firth of Clyde between the naval base at Faslane and the Irish sea, the residents of Arran have become accustomed to seeing British and American nuclear submarines slide by their Island like fat black slugs - more visible now since the end of the cold war and a number of accidents involving submerged subs and fishing boats. Being accustomed to such goings on, does not necessarily signify consent and Arran has a thriving and active branch of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament and periodically the threat of accidental nuclear contamination, from submarines or from a neighbouring nuclear power station, is chewed over in the *Arran Banner's* pages.

With the recent uneventful passage of the nuclear waste carrier *Pacific Pintail* in mind, I was interested to read in the *Arran Banner* of 31st December 1994 that restrictions on the sale of sheep had finally been lifted from the last two farms of a number on which they had been imposed in 1986. The reason for the restrictions was nuclear fallout from a highly radioactive cloud which passed over Arran in that year. This deadly cloud came from the Ukraine, several thousand miles away, after the now almost forgotten accident at Chernobyl. After it had passed over the Island, the sheep pastures of some of the hill-farms were found to be giving off unacceptably high levels of radiation, which continued for some years. (Deer generally graze higher up the hills than sheep and there are still few Arran residents willing to eat local venison.)

The problem with nuclear accidents, however caused, is that their consequences are likely to be both global and virtually eternal. *Pacific Pintail* has presumably now rounded Cape Horn safely, but will not be the last of such ships to come this way - Greenpeace claims that there are already another forty such shipments in the immediate pipeline and that to return clients' nuclear waste from the THORP/Sellafield reprocessing site alone would require over 19,000 transports

The process of "glassification", whereby plutonium waste is concentrated and mixed with molten glass before being poured into stainless steel canisters, makes it easier and safer to store and transport, but does not necessarily remove all the danger. The canisters are welded shut, before being loaded, 78 at a time, into heavy-weight transport containers known as casks or flasks. The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) maintains that the shipping casks themselves will withstand serious accidents and protect the public and the environment, but then, in the famous words of Mandy Rice-Davis, "they would say that, wouldn't they?"

I do not know whether the IAEA's manufacturing standards are always maintained in the production of these canisters and casks (Greenpeace disputes this) or even whether, as Greenpeace also claims, "Marine accidents involve significant forces and outcomes that appear to exceed the limits of the standards to which the casks are designed." I do know that as a country dependent for a living on the health of the sea and accustomed to breathing the world's cleanest air, we cannot afford to be complacent about such matters. At the moment our larger continental neighbours seem to have the moral high ground on this issue, which, if Greenpeace is right, could conceivably affect the health and well-being of every living thing in and around the Southern Atlantic for all time.

SPEAKING of our big neighbour, 54.4% of a thousand folk polled in and around Buenos Aires do not expect that the Falklands will be Argentine within 10 years time and another 22.7% don't know.

The single question poll which produced these results was carried out by an Argentine magazine called *La Avispa* (The Wasp). Analysing the results in some depth, they also discovered that those who polled, "yes" to the question "Will we regain sovereignty of the Malvinas inside 10 years?" tended to be less well educated than those who polled "no". Surprise, surprise, but what a pity they didn't have the guts to ask the real question: "How much would you care if Argentina were to drop its colonialistic sovereignty claim over the Malvinas?"

Stanley Growers supplies the South Atlantic



Tim makes a delivery to the *Hanseatic* earlier in the season

WHILE supplying around 100 kilos of fresh tomatoes, cucumbers and lettuce to the NAAFI on Ascension Island by TriStar has become a regular weekly event for Stanley Growers, this week the same route was used to make their furthest-ever delivery to a cruise ship.

When the *Explorer* called into Stanley on 6th March, she picked up three quarters of a ton of fresh produce from Stanley Growers and has now ordered a "top up" of an extra 1/4 ton to be delivered to Ascension Island to meet the ship as she makes her way north at the end

of her current tour of the "Lost Islands" of the South Atlantic.

Apart from this long range delivery, the Russian cruise ship *Livonia* was this week the last this season to be supplied by Tim and Jan Miller's market garden. The season opened with the *World Discoverer* on November 29 and since then, according to Tim, hardly a week has gone by without a cruise ship to supply with fresh produce.

Tim described as "pretty good" a season which brought into the local economy nearly £19,000 in Stanley Grower's sales to tourist

ships, representing an increase of 57% in revenue and around 30% in volume over last year.

While the tourist ships seem happy with both the price and quality of locally grown produce, there are benefits to local consumers to be gained in the maintenance of prices to the local market. Tim points out that his tomatoes, currently retailing at £3.46 a kilo are only 5% more expensive than 3 years ago. During this period, Tim estimates that rises in average local income mean that his tomatoes are now cheaper in real terms than they were in 1992!

Yomping again

THE Commando Challenge (Falklands Patrol) is a military exercise and competition which is being organised by the Falkland Islands Defence Force and will be held over the period 31 March - 2 April 1995.

The route for this event is based on the Yomp carried out by 45 Commando Royal Marines in 1982, from Port San Carlos to Stanley.

The aim is for the teams to march along a set route and practice various military skills at check points along the way.

The march starts from Port San Carlos with overnight stops at Teal Inlet and Estancia.

On reaching Stanley the teams will continue down to Rookery Bay range where a falling plate shoot sill take place.

Points will be awarded for the march and command tasks.

The overall winners will receive a bronze figurine trophy of the "Yomper" (which will remain in the Falklands) as unveiled at the Royal Marines Museum by Lady Thatcher. Medals will be awarded for the first, second and third places.



Kirsty Barkman

LAST SATURDAY morning saw not only some changeable weather, but also a great change in the appearance of one of Stanley's beaches; Hadassa Bay. Thirty to forty volunteers including His Excellency The Governor, enthusiastically helped by Stanley's Guides and Brownies, turned out to give the bay a much needed clean.

From the high water line, to in amongst the tussac, and up inland in the middle dec, appeared an almost endless stream of rubbish filled bin liners supplied by our team of cleaners. The Magellan

One Day at Hadassa Bay But what a difference a day makes!

Report by Tim Stenning



The rubbish builds up and Teslyn pauses for lunch

penguins deep in moult must have wondered just what was going on from the safety of their burrows.

Before long our supply of eighty bin liners had been used up and some on the spot recycling was called for. A huge array of rubbish found its way into our sacks,

from the expected fishing net and beer cans to an amazing array of footwear! Plastic bags were an all too common sight, including a large

number of the endemic Falklands variety.

Come lunch time the Agricultural Department's tractor and trailer, with Hugh Marsden at the wheel, had been twice filled to over-flowing.

As everyone enjoyed the Barbecue, generously sponsored by the local fishing companies, it was obvious just how much had been achieved in two short hours. Hadassa Bay had been restored from the eyesore it had been in the morning, to how it should be by afternoon; a beautiful beach rich in wildlife that gives a wonderful view back through the Narrows to Stanley.

No doubt the penguins in their burrows and the kelp geese and steamer ducks out to sea were pleased to get back to peace and quiet again. Now they can wander and waddle along Hadassa Bay without the danger of entanglement in our discarded rubbish.

I would like to thank Polar, SFS, Beauchene, Fortuna, FIC, Fisheries Department, Consolidated Fisheries, Stanley Bakery, San Rafael, Goodwin Offshore, Stanley Arms, and the Military,

for sponsoring the barbecue, the Agriculture Department for supplying the tractor and trailer, and all of those who helped to make this beach clean such an enjoyable and successful event.

In the words of those who came out to lend a hand, all that remains to be said is "where next?"



The Barbecue: HE offers a bit of sauce



Girl Guides take a break



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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Falkland Islands Government has for sale by tender the house known as 11 Ross Road West, a 3 bedroomed Dorran house.

The house can be viewed by contacting the Secretariat on telephone number 27242 during normal office hours. Tender documents are also available from the Secretariat. Tenders endorsed 'Sale of 11 Ross Road West' should be returned to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat to reach him on or before 21st April 1995.

The successful tenderer will be required to complete the purchase of this property on or before Friday 21st July 1995. Tenderers are specifically asked to note that if their tender is accepted and they fail to pay for the property on or before the completion date, interest is chargeable on the outstanding purchase monies at 3% above Standard Chartered Banks base rate.

The Falkland Islands Government reserves the right to reject any tender received and may give preference to existing Government tenants. Only tenders submitted on an official tender document will be considered.

It should also be noted that it is the Falkland Islands Government's policy to publish where appropriate, the names of tenderers and the amount in which they tendered.

The Secretariat
15th March 1995
Stanley Public Notice No: 45/95
Reference: HOU/16/1

Tenderers should note that it is the intention of the government to "List" the old Pigeon Loft located within the boundary of the property.

Principal Award Winners Horticultural Show 1995

For most points received by an exhibitor from camp, a Challenge Cup - The Hunt Trophy
Michelle Evans 99½ points

For exhibitor obtaining the most points in the vegetable classes - Ferguson Challenge Trophy
presented by Mr & Mrs John Ferguson
Ron & Linda Binnie 26½ points

For the best collection of vegetables - A silver Challenge Cup - Reg Lyse

For the most outstanding exhibit in the Potato Classes - A prize bag of fertiliser from the
Department of Agriculture - B Aldridge - Goose Green

For the exhibitor obtaining the most points in the Home Produce Section - A Challenge Cup
- presented by Mrs J H Ashmore - Michelle Evans 99½ points

For the most popular flower arrangement - A silver challenge bowl - presented by Mrs E J
White - not awarded

For the most points in the flower section - A Challenge Cup presented by Mrs EG Lewis -
Rene Rowlands - 43 points

Child with most points in cookery section 1A & 1B - cookery book presented by Mrs C A
Rowlands - Caris Stevens

Child with most points in cookery section 2A and 2B - Challenge Cup presented by the
Society - Stephen Betts

Childrens flower arrangement:
9 yrs & under - A Challenge Cup presented by Mr & Mrs T H Davies - Roxanne King
10 to 14 years Challenge Cup presented by Mrs Joyce Jewkes - Tanya McCallum

Any vegetable grown by a child - Prizes presented by the Society and seeds presented by
Stanley Garden Centre - Alex Howe

Pot plants grown & looked after by the child:
9 yrs & under - Christine Hewitt
10 yrs to 14 yrs - Tanya McCallum

Cut flowers grown by a child - seeds presented by Stanley Garden Centre:
9 yrs & under - Roxanne King
10 yrs to 14 yrs - Tanya McCallum

For the exhibitor with most points overall in Childrens Section:
The Simon Summers Challenge Cup - presented by Stanley Growers
Tanya McCallum - 16½ points

For the most points in the Cookery Section - A Challenge Cup presented by the Standard
Chartered Bank and a Cookery Book presented by Mr & Mrs Poole -
Michelle Evans 90½ points

For the best working vegetable garden - A Challenge Cup presented by Mr & Mrs J Parker,
Derek & Sue Howatt

For the best flower garden - The Lady Hunt Challenge Cup presented by the Horticultural
Society
Jim Simpson - 25½ points

For the exhibitor with the most points over all the classes (excluding Section F) in the flower,
vegetable & Home Produce Show - The Haskard Challenge Cup
Michelle Evans 99½ points

Most points in pickles/jams etc - Sheila Hadden

Passion from the potting shed as Gene sums up the horticultural show



Vegetables as far as the eye
can see, matched for size, col-
our and conformity to an ideal.



Above: The Government House
display of vegetables and fruits
from the garden.

Below: Tanya McCallum re-
ceives the Simon Summers
Challenge Cup from HE.

TO the uninitiated and the non-gardener, the annual Horticultural Society Show in Stanley may seem a bit of a yawn - to such people, spending an afternoon looking at rows of plates of newly washed potatoes or clusters of carrots must seem as exciting as watching paint dry.

Taking such a view may be understandable, but ignores a number of significant facts. One is that gardening of any sort is an extremely passionate occupation, which appeals to something basic within our natures. It is an activity where experience counts for much, but where ultimately nature can take the upper hand. It is fraught with difficulties to be overcome and dangers to be met.

Add to these anxiety inducing factors, the element of competition provided by an annual show and you have a mixture, which in less well-ordered and law-abiding societies than the Falklands has led to sabotage, violent reprisals and feuds that have lasted for generations.

In the Falklands, there is another element also, which was referred to by Horticultural Society President, Gene Williams, in his summing up speech on Saturday. Since the beginnings of the Colony's existence, Britain has been held up as the source of all good things, but the Horticultural Show gives the Falklands the chance to show that this is not always the case. As Gene said in the FIDF Hall on Saturday, the proof was "on the table", in the form of fine healthy vegetables, vigorous pot plants and excellent baking as good as anything that might be seen in a similar show in Britain.

Nowadays with the increased availability of fruit, vegetables, baking and even flowers from

abroad and from local producers, it might seem to some that producing your own vegetables or baking your own cakes is a waste of time, an argument which would not have gone down well with the crowd in the FIDF Hall on Saturday afternoon. For them clearly the Horticultural Show is important because it shows that the old skills so necessary to survival in the past are still being kept alive and handed on down the generations.

President of the Horticultural Society, Gene Williams clearly takes this view of the Show's importance and delivered a resounding ticking off because the level of entries was down this year, puring special scorn on flower arrangers and Westers, who were both conspicuous by their absence.

Association Secretary, Alison Dodd, was less anxious, pointing out that the level of entries in recent years had reached an unsustainably high level and that a number of key figures were absent this year for a variety of reasons, who by their absence alone, accounted for the drop in entries.

Particularly missed was three-times in a row winner of the Haskard Trophy for most points over all classes, June McMullen, from Goose Green, but other names such as Marge McPhee, Shirley Goss and Heather Pettersson were absent from the competition this year, but hopefully not for ever.



Gene Williams winds up the show with a warning



Tim Simpson with one of husband Jim's winning dahlias



Michelle Evans cleans up her pro-
duce and the prizes. Michelle won
the Haskard Challenge Cup for most
points over all sections.



Every one a winner - Derek Howatt, Joe King, Reg Lyse and Frank Howatt.

Penguin News



Information Pullout



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CHURCH SERVICES

CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY: 8am Holy Communion, 10am Family Communion (first Sunday every month - Family Service) 7pm Evening Prayer

TABERNACLE - free church

Thursday: from 7.30pm Open House at 5 Drury St, Saturday: 4pm, Prayer meeting, Sunday meetings: 10am (with childrens group) and 7pm, ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm

ST. MARY'S

6pm, SUNDAY: 10am, Week days: 9am

ST. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

SUNDAY 7pm
MONDAY MORNINGS 6.30am

BAHA' FAITH

Fridays, 8pm - Informal discussion for inquirers - at No 1 Davis Street East, Tel: 21279

TIDES AROUND THE ISLANDS

The times and heights of high and low tides (in metres) at Stanley. Time given is Stanley time.

For Camp, make the following changes:

	MARCH				
		1624	1.5		
		2204	0.5		
Fox Bay +1hr 30m	25	0650	0.5		
Roy Cove +3 hrs 30m	SAT	1334	1.3		
Port Howard +2hrs 19m		1844	0.9	29	0424 1.7
Teal Inlet +2hrs 30m	26	0115	1.5	WED	1029 0.4
Sea Lion Is. +15m	SUN	0810	0.5		1657 1.6
Port Stephens		1449	1.3		2243 0.4
Hill Cove +3hrs		2019	0.8	30	0507 1.7
Berkeley Sound + 11m	27	0233	1.6	THR	1106 0.4
Port San Carlos		0906	0.4		1730 1.6
+ 1hr 55m	MON	1543	1.4		2321 0.3
Darwin Harbour -4m		2118	0.6	31	0548 1.7
	28	0333	1.6	FRI	1141 0.4
	TUE	0951	0.4		1801 1.7
					2358 0.3

LIBRARY

Wednesday:
9am - 12/2.30pm 5.30pm
Monday/Tuesday/Thursday:
9am - 12/1.30pm-5.30pm
Friday: 3pm-6pm
Saturday: 1.45pm-5pm

HOSPITAL PHARMACY

Mornings 10am 12 noon

Monday/Thursday

2.30pm - 4.30pm

Wednesday

1.30 - 3.30pm

Tuesday/Friday

3.00pm - 5.00pm

MUSEUM

Tuesday - Friday

1030 - 12 noon/2.00 - 4.00pm

Sunday

10.00 - 12 noon

TREASURY

Monday - Friday

8am - 12 noon/ 1.15 - 3.00pm

CLUBS AND CONTACTS

BADMINTON CLUB

Mondays/ Thursdays 7-9pm
Leeann Eynon, Tel:21839 or
Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

RUGBY CLUB

Gavin Clifton, Tel 21170

SQUASH CLUB

Thursdays 5-9pm Contact Shaun

Williams, Tel21744 or Dik Sawle
Tel 21414

NETBALL CLUB

Tuesdays 6-8pm, Sundays 10am
to midday, Friday circuit training
6-7pm All are welcome

Contact Marilyn Hall, 21538

ELPISTOL CLUB

New members welcome Contact
Graham Didlick 21622 or Bob
Abernethy 21508.

ELMOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION

Race meetings advertised. New
members welcome
Contact Hamish Wylie 22681
YMCA

Accommodation available
Contact Terry Peck 21074
EL RIFLE ASSOCIATION
Contact Secretary G Cheek, 21402.

ASTHMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets every second Tuesday of
the month in Day Centre at 5.00pm

FALKLAND ISLANDS RED CROSS ASSOCIATION

New members welcome. Con-
tact Alison Hewitt, 21851

GUILD OF SPINNERS, WEAVERS & HANDICRAFTS

Meetings on Mondays at 7.30pm,
Thursdays 1.30pm. Contact Marj
McPhee, tel: 21106

CANCER SUPPORT & AWARENESS TRUST

Contact Shiralee Collins,
21597, Sister Bridie 22086, Derek
Howatt 21385

STANLEY FOLK CLUB

Meets fortnightly in Globe Con-
tact Liz (21765) or Alan (21019)

FALKLAND ISLANDS DIABETIC ASSOCIATION

Meets first Thursday of every
month. 7.30pm in the Day Centre

STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB

Contact D. Humphries Tel. 22028
Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm,
Saturdays 9-10

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB

Contact David McLeod Phone:
20836 (day), 20843 (home)

Leisure Centre - Term Time

	Sports Hall	Squash Courts	Swimming Pool
Mon	10.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	10.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	10.00-11.30am (Parent/Toddler) 12.00-1.00pm (Adults) 5.00-7.00pm (Public) 7.00-8.00pm (Adults)
Tues	12.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	12.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	12.00-1.00pm (Adults) 5.00-7.00pm (Public) 7.00-8.00pm (Ladies) 12.00-1.00pm (Adults)
Wed	9.00-10.00am 11.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	9.00-10.00am 11.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	5.00-7.00pm (Public) 7.00-8.00pm (Adults)
Thurs	9.00-10.00am(P/T) 11.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	9.00-10.00am 11.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	7.00-8.00pm (Adults) 5.00-8.00pm (Adults)
Fri	12.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	12.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	12.00-1.00pm (Adults) 4.00-6.00pm (Public) 6.00-8.00pm (Private Hire)
Sat	9.00-5.00pm	9.00-5.00pm	9.00-4.00pm (Public) 4.00-5.00pm (Adults)
Sun	10.00-6.00pm	10.00-6.00pm	10.00-5.00pm (Adults) 5.00-6.00pm (Adults)

Your SSVc Television programmes

Saturday, March 25

10.15 Robinson Sucroe
10.40 What's Up Doc?
12.45 Newsround Extra
1.00 Top Of The Pops
1.30 Grandstand Including: Action from League's Silk Cut Challenge Cup; World Figure Skating Championships; Racing from Chepstow; and full round up of the rest of the day's sporting events
6.25 Cartoon Time
6.35 Big Break
7.05 Blind Date
8.00 Noel's House Party
8.50 Casualty
9.40 Holiday Outings Majorca
9.45 Crime Story Hot Dog Wars
10.25 Short Stories Hard Men: Film following the progress of Brendan Collum, an entrant in the Mr Strathclyde Body Building Championships
10.50 The Best Of The Tube Includes Inxs, Paul Young's TV debut, Culture Club, The Pretenders, Spitting Image and French and Saunders
11.20 Match of the Day FA Cup, Round 6.

Sunday, March 26

10.20 The New Adventures of He-Man
10.45 The O-Zone
11.00 Incredible Games (New) Fantasy Game Show in which a team of three take part in games designed to test speed, wit and courage.
11.25 Songs of Praise
12.00 For Teachers
12.30 Scene Here
1.00 Telly Addicts
1.30 The ITV Chart Show
2.20 Tomorrows's World
2.50 Brookside
4.00 Cartoon Time
4.10 Match of the Day FA Round 6, Everton v Newcastle
6.15 The Simpsons
6.35 East 17 - Letting Off Steam live in concert, May 1994
7.25 Eastenders As the reverberations of David's revelations shake both the Jackson and Butcher households, Bianca disappears, while her worried mother finds comfort from an unexpected quarter.
7.55 A Touch of Frost Appropriate Adults
9.35 Travel Cuts
9.50 One Foot In The Grave No sooner has the Meldrews' new shower installation left Victor hot under the collar than a disaster descends - an invitation to spend an evening at Ronnie and Mildred's...
10.20 Everyman: Simons Cross: Simon is the first Anglican clergyman to carry on his ministry while suffering from AIDS. In a video diary, Simon reflects on his terminal illness and the controversial issues which surround it
11.00 Sportscene

Monday, March 27

2.30 Take The High Road
2.55 Film '95
3.25 Countdown
3.50 Children's SSVc: Wizadora
4.00 Wolf It
4.25 Mighty Max
4.50 Fun House
5.15 Grange Hill
5.40 Home And Away Irene shocks Selina with the proposition of moving in with her.
6.00 Blockbusters
6.25 Wish You Were Here?
6.55 The Brittias Empire
7.25 Coronation Street Reg Holdsworth braves the Rovers sporting his new hairpiece
7.50 The Bill
8.15 FILM Wildcats comedy starring Goldie Hawn. When sports-mad teacher Molly McGrath becomes coach to a ghetto high school football team, everyone expects her to fail. But Molly and the team are determined to do well.
10.00 Network First: The Yardies: Described as the new wave of organised crime, and with the reputation of being more dangerous than the Mafia, Yardie killings in Britain seem particularly violent. Their roots can be traced back to ghetto culture in Jamaica. The true Yardie story.
10.50 Rugby Special Including: Pontypridd v Neath in the Heinekin League and Heriots FP v Stirling County in the McEwan's League

Tuesday, March 28

2.30 Vanessa
2.55 The Clothes Show
3.25 Countdown
3.50 Children's SSVc: The Magic House
4.00 The Dreamstone
4.25 Mike and Angelo
4.50 Blue Peter
5.15 The Tomorrow People
5.40 Home And Away Alf is shocked to discover the missing sausages in Irene's fridge, and believes Tug is the culprit.
6.00 Blockbusters
6.25 Emmerdale An unexpected guest arrives at Luke's party, and Zoe plucks up the courage to make an offer. Jack's jealous rage has disastrous consequences
6.55 Scene Here
7.25 Eastenders Michelle's news has hit Arthur hard.
7.55 How Do They Do That?
8.40 The Vicar Of Dibley It's time for the local elections and David is confident of his victory. But he hasn't accounted for Geraldine who proves a formidable opponent
9.10 Dangerfield Drama series starring Nigel Le Vailant as a Police Surgeon and GP in rural Warwickshire. Diana the suspected rape victim, has been attacked again and Dangerfield is called back to hospital to re-examine her.
10.00 Taking Liberties Special One-off documentary revealing how, for years, the British Army ignored the plight of the psychiatric casualties of the Gulf War.
10.30 The Cantona Affair Interview
10.55 Rab C Nesbitt
11.25 The Endsleigh League Football Extra

Wednesday, March 29

2.30 Scene Here
2.55 That's Showbusiness (new)
3.25 Countdown
3.50 Children's SSVc: Budgie The Little Helicopter
4.05 ZZzap!
4.25 Harry's Mad
4.50 The Really Wild Show
5.15 Elidor
5.40 Home And Away Jack realises how much Selina means to him
6.00 Blockbusters
6.25 Catchphrase
6.55 The Trouble with Mr Bean
7.25 Coronation Street Gails world comes tumbling down
7.50 The Bill
8.15 The Upper Hand
8.40 World In Action
9.05 99-1
10.00 Cutting Edge: A is for Accident Every day 11 people die on our roads. Are many of these accidents preventable? Cutting Edge investigates.
10.50 Inside Victor Lewis Smith
11.10 Championship League

Thursday, March 30

2.30 Vanessa
2.55 University Challenge - Jeremy Paxman presents another edition of the student quiz show.
3.25 Countdown
3.50 Children's SSVc: Wizadora
4.00 The Magic Adventures Of Mumfie
4.10 Reboot - The Sample Hi-tech animation
4.15 Willy Fog-2
4.40 Spacejets
4.55 Art Attack
5.15 Grange Hill
5.40 Home And Away Shane learns that fatherhood isn't as easy as he thought it would be.
6.00 Animal Country Wildlife series.
6.25 Emmerdale
6.55 This Is Your Life
7.25 Eastenders Steve has pressure put on him from an unexpected source
7.55 MOVIE PREMIERE Gorrillas in the Mist (1988) Real life drama starring Sigourney Weaver. Arriving in Central Africa, US anthropologist Dian Fossey finds that the rare mountain gorillas she has come to study are on the verge of extinction. She fights to protect the animals and creates an intense bond with them, but tragedy is never

SSVC Television programmes (cont)

far away.

10.00 Knowing Me, Knowing You guest Terry Norton
10.30 Whickers World Pavarotti in Paradise: Alan Whicker is in Pangkor Laut, a tiny equatorial isle off Malaysia. The occasion is an 'island-warming' party by owner Data Francis Yeoh, at which Luciano Pavarotti is scheduled to sing. Then the maestro loses his voice and has to hope that a roly-poly Chinese-Filipino doctor can magic it back again

Friday, March 31

2.30 Knot's Landing
3.15 Lucinda Lambton's Alphabet Of Britain
3.25 Countdown
3.50 Children's SSVc: Brum
4.05 Reboot Hi-tech animation set in the futuristic city of Mainframe
4.30 Blue Peter
5.00 The Week On Newsround
5.10 Little Lord Fauntleroy (cont.)

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY March 25

6.03 Music Fill
6.30 Children's Corner
7.30 Weather & Announcements
7.45 Sports Roundup
8.00 News Desk from the BBC
8.30 '94 Aldeburgh Festival
9.30 Music Fill
10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY March 26

5.00 News: BFBS
5.03 Music Fill
5.35 The Archers
6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
6.45 Music Fill
7.00 Church Service
8.00 Sports Roundup
8.15 The Folk Music Show
9.30 Rpt weather & flights
9.45 The trick of it
10.00 News: BFBS

MONDAY March 27

10.03 Weather and Morning show
12.00 News and Sport BFBS
12.10 Lunchtime announcements
B.F.B.S Programmes
5.03 The Archers

5.18 Late Afternoon Show
6.00 FI News Magazine
6.30 Features: The Crusader Chronicles
7.00 The Arts Worldwide
7.36 Weather, flights, announcements
8.00 News Desk from the BBC
8.30 Announcer's Choice
9.30 Rpt weather, flights & News Magazine
10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY March 28

10.03 Weather & Morning Show
12.00 News and Sport BFBS
12.10 Lunchtime announcements, BFBS Programmes
5.03 The Archers
5.18 Review of CD's of the week
5.30 In Concert: Crowded House
6.30 Calling the Falklands
6.45 Folk Music Show
7.30 News and Sport BFBS
7.36 Weather, flights, announcements
8.00 News Desk from the BBC
8.30 Music Fill
9.00 The senses: Sounds Fascinating
9.30 Rpt weather and flights
9.32 Country Crossroads

5.40 Home And Away Tug is stunned when Mathew offers him a job. Angel is determined to find her younger sister.
6.00 The Crystal Maze
6.55 Scene Here
7.25 Coronation Street Why are the Police making an arrest?
7.50 Travel Show Short Cuts An insight into the enduring attraction of caravans
8.00 The Night of Comic Relief Laughter leads to help for numerous good causes as the cream of Britain's comedy talent get together for the fifth Red Nose Day. Richard Wilson visits refugee camps on the Sudanese border in Northern Uganda; Lenny Henry visits a village where Comic Relief cash is hard at work, and lives with a family for a video diary report; and Victoria Wood goes to Zimbabwe to stay with a family for a week to experience what it feels like to live in an area threatened by serious drought.

10.00 News Desk BFBS

WEDNESDAY March 29

10.03 Weather & Morning Show
12.00 News and Sport BFBS
12.10 Lunchtime announcements, BFBS Programme
5.03 The Archers
5.18 Late Afternoon Show
6.00 FI News Magazine
6.30 Music Fill
7.00 Vilette by Charlotte Bronte
7.30 News & Sport BFBS
7.36 Weather, flights and announcements
8.00 News Desk from the BBC
8.30 Variations with Stephen Palmer
9.30 Rpt Weather, Flights & News Magazine
10.00 News from BFBS

THURSDAY March 30

10.00 Weather and Morning Show
12.00 News and Sport BFBS
12.10 Lunchtime announcements, BFBS Programme
5.03 The Archers
5.18 Special Requests
5.30 Jazz Greats
6.30 Kings Pt 2

7.30 News and Sport BFBS
7.36 Weather, flights, announcements
8.00 News Desk from the BBC
8.30 Pot Luck
9.30 Rpt Weather and Flights
10.00 News BFBS

FRIDAY March 31

10.03 Weather and Morning Show
12.00 News and Sport BFBS
12.10 Lunchtime announcements, BFBS Programmes
5.03 The Archers
5.18 The Late Afternoon Show
6.00 FI News Magazine
6.30 Calling the Falklands
7.00 Country Crossroads
7.30 News & Sport BFBS
7.36 Weather, flights, announcements
8.00 News Desk from the BBC
8.30 Announcer's Choice
9.30 Rpt weather and flights
9.32 Rpt FI News Magazine
10.00 News from BFBS

AND OVER TO B.F.B.S.

SATURDAY

0003 Mark Tyley 0203 In Concert 0303 Story of Pop 0403 Activ-8 0603 Mark Page 0800 News and Papers 0810 Falklands Breakfast Show 0830 News and Sport 1003 Radio 5 Sport on MW (until 1500) 1003 Activ-8 with Russell Hurn 1203 Windsor's Weekend 1403 In concert 1503 Mark Page 1703 Rodigan's Rockers 1903 Steve Mason 2103 John Peel's Music 2203 Story Of Pop

SUNDAY

0003 Bob Harris 0303 Extra FM 0403 Windsor's Weekend 0603 Patrick Eade and Co 0815 Falklands Breakfast Show 0845 Bigwood 0903 News, sport and football results 1003 World This Weekend 1103 Extra FM 1203 BBC Radio 5 Sunday Sport 1503 Bob Harris 1803 Richard Nankivell 2003 Adrian John 2203 Roger Dentith

MONDAY

0003 Patrick and Co. 0103 Bumfrey's Britain 0303 James Watt 0615 FI Breakfast Show 0650 Thought for the day 0700 News, Papers and Sport 0730 Football Results 0900 Newsplus 0915 Rory Higgins 1003 Bumfrey's Britain 1200 News 1210 FIBS announcements 1215 The Archers 1230 Falklands Afternoon Show 1445 Sports Roundup 1500 Main News Of The Day 1530 BFBS Reports 1603 Richard Allinson 1703 BFBS Gold 1800 FIBS 2003 Rock Show with Mark Tyley 2203 Aidan Donovan

TUESDAY

00103 Bumfrey's Britain 0303 James Watt 0615 FI Breakfast Show 0650 Thought for the day 0700 News, Papers and Sport 0900 Newsplus 0915 Rory Higgins 1003 Bumfrey's Britain 1200 News/FIBS announcements

1215 The Archers 1230 Falklands Afternoon Show 1445 Sports Roundup 1500 Main News Of The Day 1530 Christopher Lee 1603 Richard Allinson 1703 BFBS Gold 1800 FIBS 2003 Rockola with David Symons 2203 Aidan Donovan

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AROUND THE F.I.C. THIS WEEK

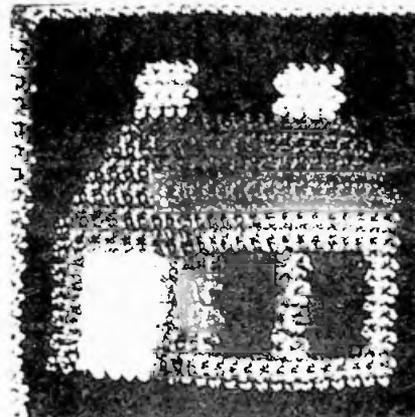
FIC - HELPING ALL AROUND THE HOME

FOODHALL

20% REDUCTION ON SELECTED ITEMS CONTINUES THIS WEEK
NOW IS THE TIME TO STOCK UP YOUR FREEZER!!

GALLERY

LARGE RANGE OF MENS, WOMENS & CHILDRENS CLOTHING
ALL SPORTSWEAR MOVED HERE FOR SHOPPING CONVENIENCE



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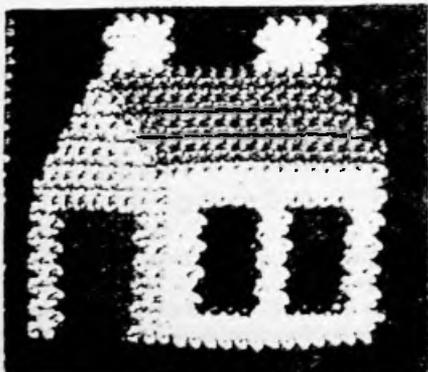
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FIC CHARGECARDS - DON'T FORGET TO APPLY FOR YOUR CHARGECARD. APPLICATION FORMS CAN BE PICKED UP AT ALL CHECKOUTS.

HIRE PURCHASE - ON TOTAL PURCHASES OVER £100 IN ALL DEPARTMENTS EXCEPT THE FOODHALL. APPLY TO THE DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR FOR MORE INFORMATION

Horticultural Society Results

SECTION A - POT PLANTS

Begonia 1. J Simpson 2. J Simpson 3. J Simpson 4. J Simpson HC. J Simpson
 Begonia (Miniature) 1. J Simpson 2. J Simpson 3. J Simpson
 Begonia (foliage) 1. J Blizard 2. M Peck 3. J Simpson
 Busy Lizzie (Impatiens) 1. L Blizard
 Cactus all Succulent 1. S Middleton 2. A Reid 3. B Paver 4. A Reid HC. A Reid
 Cactus Garden 1. B Paver 2. B Paver
 Coleus 1. L Blizard 2. S Hadden
 Fern 1. R Rowlands 2. R Rowlands 3. B Paver
 Geranium 1. J Simpson 2. L Blizard 3. A Reid 4. J Simpson
 Perlargonium 1. S Hadden 2. S Hadden
 African Violet 1. E Jaffray
 Pot Plant (any perennial) 1. J Simpson 2. J Simpson 3. L Blizard 4. J Simpson HC. E Poole
 Foliage Plant - a) A Large Plain 1. J Miller 2. T Wallace 3. E Jaffray 4. B Paver
 b) Large Variegated 1. M. McKenzie
 c) Small Plain 1. B Paver 2. N Poole 3. B Paver
 d) Small Variegated 1. M Peck 2. M Peck 3. N Heathman 4. M Peck
 Tree Seedling or Shrub 1. J Miller 2. B Paver 3. B Paver 4. B Paver HC. B Paver
 Hanging Baskets and Pots 1. J Simpson 2. T Clarke

SECTION B - CUT FLOWERS

Aster 1. T Clarke 2. T Clarke 3. R Thom 4. T Clarke HC. R Thom HC. D King
 Candytuft 1. R Rowlands 2. R Rowlands 3. R Rowlands HC. R Rowlands HC. B Keenleyside
 Carnation 1. J Miller 2. P Tuckwood 3. J Miller 4. R Thom HC. P Tuckwood HC J Miller
 Californian Poppy 1. B Keenleyside 2. B Keenleyside 3. B Keenleyside
 Clarkia 1. H Pettersson 2. R Rowlands 3. R Rowlands
 Cornflower 1. V Perkins 2. R Rowlands 3. P Tuckwood HC. E Poole HC. H Pettersson
 Chrysanthemum (annual) 1. R Thom 2. J Miller 3. R Rowlands 4. R Rowlands HC. R Thom
 Chrysanthemum (Marguerite) 1. K Bertrand 2. B Keenleyside 3. S Hadden 4. R Thom HC. R Rowlands
 Dhalia 1. D King 2. B Keenleyside 3. D King 4. B Keenleyside HC. B Keenleyside HC. D King
 B Keenleyside/D King
 English Marigold 1. V Malcolm 2. R Rowlands 3. H Pettersson 4. T Clarke HC. N Bowles D King S Hadden/S Hadden
 French Marigold 1. R Rowlands 2. R Rowlands 3. J Miller
 Garden Pinks 1. R Rowlands 2. R Rowlands 3. R Rowlands 4. B Keenleyside HC. J Miller
 Geranium 1. B Keenleyside 2. B Keenleyside 3. R Rowlands
 Gladiolus 1. R Thom 2. D King 3. J Miller
 Godetia 1. S Hadden 2. S Hadden 3. P Tuckwood 4. R Rowlands HC P Tuckwood HC R Rowlands
 Linaria 1. R Rowlands 2. R Rowlands 3. V Malcolm
 Lily 1. J King 2. J King 3. J King
 Lupin 1. B Keenleyside 2. B Keenleyside 3. J King 4. R Thom HC H Pettersson
 Nasturtium 1. D King 2. R Rowlands 3. D King 4. R Rowlands
 Pansy 1. S Hadden 2. R Thom 3. B Keenleyside 4. S Hadden HC R Rowlands HC N Bowles
 Pelargonium 1. S Hadden 2. S Hadden

3. R Rowlands 4. B Keenleyside HC B Keenleyside HC M Evans
 M Evans/M Evans
 Poppy HC D King HC D King HC D King
 Rose 1. J Miller 2. B Keenleyside 3. B Keenleyside 4. R Rowlands HC J Miller HC B Keenleyside J Miller
 Snap Dragon 1. P Tuckwood 2. P Tuckwood 3. P Tuckwood 4. P Tuckwood HC P Tuckwood HC
 V Perkins
 Stock 1. J King 2. J Simpson 3. R Rowlands
 Sweet Pea 1. B Keenleyside 2. B Keenleyside 3. B Keenleyside 4. B Keenleyside HC D King HC
 R Rowlands B Keenleyside
 Sweet William 1. R Rowlands 2. R Rowlands 3. R Rowlands
 Any bulb other than above 1. J Miller HC V Malcolm R Thom
 Any other outdoor flower 1. B Keenleyside 2. V Malcolm 3. V Perkins 4. J Simpson HC D King HC J King J Simpson/D King
 Any other indoor flower 1. A Howe 2. D King

SECTION C - ARRANGEMENTS

Dinner Table arrangements 1. E Poole

SECTION D - COLLECTIONS

A collection of 8 kinds of outdoor vegetables not more than 3 of any vegetable staged 1. R Lyse 2. R and L Binnie
 A collection of 3 kinds of vegetables grown in polyhouse or greenhouse 1. R Rowlands 2. R Rowlands
 A collection of 3 kinds of salad vegetables 1. Viv Perkins 2. R and L Binnie 3. V Perkins 4. W Poole
 A selection of 3 herbs 1. L Pollard 2. R Lyse 3. S Middleton
 2A1. T McMullen

SECTION E - VEGETABLES

6 broad beans 1. R Lyse 2. B Aldridge 3. B Aldridge
 3 beetroot 1. T McMullen 2. R and L Binnie 3. R Tuckwood 4. T McMullen
 1 head of cabbage (pointed) 1. V Perkins 2. R and L Binnie 3. V Perkins
 1 head of cabbage (round) 1. D Howatt 2. S Strange 3. R and L Binnie
 3 carrots (stump) 1. R and L Binnie 2. R and L Binnie 3. R and L Binnie
 3 carrots (long) 1. S Strange 2. W Bowles 3. N Poole HC N Poole
 3 carrots (miniature) 1. J Miller 2. J Miller 3. J Miller
 1 cauliflower 1. P Middleton 2. S Hadden 3. J King 4. J King
 1 cabbage lettuce 1. R Lyse 2. D Howatt 3. D Howatt
 1 cos lettuce HC J King
 1 cucumber 1. B Aldridge 2. R and L Binnie
 3 onions 1. R Tuckwood 2. L Pollard 3. R Tuckwood 4. R Lyse HC R Tuckwood 6 Shallots 1. R Tuckwood 2. W Poole 3. W Poole
 6 spring onions 1. W Poole 2. W Poole 3. W Poole 4. W Poole
 6 pickling onions 1. B Aldridge 2. R Lyse 3. R Lyse HC L Pollard
 3 parsnips 1. S Strange 2. R Tuckwood 3. T McMullen 4. B Aldridge
 6 peas 1. R Lyse 2. N Poole 3. G Malcolm 4. N Poole HC R Tuckwood HC V Perkins
 5 early potatoes (red) 1. R Tuckwood 2. R Tuckwood 3. M Betts 4. M Betts HC R Tuckwood
 5 early potatoes (white) 1. R Tuckwood 2. R Tuckwood 3. M Betts 4. T

McMullen
 5 Maincrop potatoes (red) 1. M Betts 2. B Aldridge 3. M Betts 4. M Betts
 5 Maincrop potatoes (white) 1. R Tuckwood 2. B Aldridge 3. M Betts 4. W Poole HC B Aldridge/J Simpson HC M Betts/B Aldridge
 12 radishes 1. V Perkins 2. R and L Binnie 3. L Pollard 4. F Gooch HC R and L Binnie
 3 tomatoes (miniature) 1. R Rowlands 2. L Pollard 3. L Pollard 4. R Rowlands 4. L Pollard
 1 vegetable marrow 1. R Rowlands 2. R Rowlands 3. R Lyse 4. R Rowlands HC. R Rowlands
 3 white turnips 1. A Howe 2. N Poole 3. V Perkins 4. R and L Binnie HC B Aldridge
 Most Outstanding Potato Exhibit B Aldridge - Goose Green
 3 yellow turnips 1. L Grant 2. W Poole 3. D King
 3 turnip swedes 1. J King 2. R and L Binnie 3. R and L Binnie HC L Pollard
 3 Kohl Rabis 1. Riki Evans 2. R and L Binnie 3. W Poole
 3 Peppers 1. Leif Pollard 2. L Pollard
 Any other vegetable 1. L Pollard 2. P Hutton 3. R Lyse 4. B Aldridge HC W Poole
 Saucer of 20 Gooseberries (red) 1. W Poole 2. N Poole 3. T Clarke 4. T Clarke HC W Poole
 Saucer of 20 Gooseberries (Green) 1. N Poole 2. N Poole
 Saucer of raspberries 1. F Gooch 2. F Wallace 3. F Gooch HC F Gooch
 Saucer of 10 strawberries 1. R and L Binnie 2. R Lyse 3. R and L Binnie 4. W Poole
 Saucer of redcurrants 1. N Poole 2. S Middleton 3. N Poole 4. W Poole HC N Poole
 Saucer of blackcurrant 1. F Wallace 2. N Poole
 Saucer of any home grown fruit 1. B Elsbey

SECTION G - HOME PRODUCE

Home made butter 1. M Evans 2. M Evans 3. M Evans
 6 fresh hen eggs 1. F Wallace 2. P Tuckwood 3. Dr Elsbey HC S Sinclair
 Any bottled fruit 1. A King HC A King
 Jar of rhubarb Chutney 1. Dr B Paver 2. M McKenzie 3. S Hadden 4. A Reid
 Any other chutney 1. S Hadden 2. S Hadden 3. A Reid 4. A King 5. M McKenzie
 Jar of rhubarb jam 1. S Hadden 2. S Hadden 3. A Reid 4. M McKenzie HC S Hadden
 Jar of Gooseberry jam 1. S Hadden 2. S Hadden 3. S Hadden
 Jar of Diddle-dee jam 1. M Adams 2. J Stephenson 3. D Howatt HC A King
 Jar of tea-berry jam 1. P Tuckwood HC M Evans HC M Evans
 Jar of strawberry jam 1. S Hadden 2. E Poole 3. M Evans 4. E Poole 5. E Poole
 Jar of raspberry jam 1. M McKenzie 2. H Andrews 3. E Poole 4. S Hadden HC M Evans
 Jar of diddle-dee jelly 1. P Tuckwood 2. M Evans 3. M Evans
 Jar of curdl 1. H Andrews 2. A King 3. S Hadden HC M McKenzie
 Jar of marmalade 1. S Hadden 2. P Tuckwood 3. J Miller
 Jar of any other preserve 1. Anna King
 Jar of pickles 1. S Hadden 2. S Middleton 3. J Miller HC S Hadden
 Jar of any other pickles 1. P Tuckwood 2. J Miller 3. J Miller
 Bottle of sauce 1. Dr B Paver 2. S Hadden 3. P Tuckwood

Rich fruit cake (not decorated) 1. B Paver 2. A King 3. M Evans 4. D Kil-martin
 Victoria layer cake (not decorated) HC H Andrews
 20A1. A Reid 2. S Hadden 3. A King HC S Middleton
 Plain sponge cake (not decorated) 1. J Stephenson 2. M Evans 3. M Evans
 Decorated cake 1. M Evans 2. M Evans 3. M Evans
 Novelty decorated cake 1. B Paver 2. M Evans 3. B Paver
 Chocolate cake 1. M Evans 2. B Paver 3. M Evans
 Battenburg cake 1. M Evans 2. M Evans 3. M Evans
 Gateau 1. B Paver 2. A King 3. B Paver Swiss roll 1. M Evans
 Any other home made cake 1. B Paver 2. L Burnett 3. M Evans HC A Reid
 6 scones 1. M Evans 2. M Evans
 6 drop scones 1. M Evans 2. Vi Heathman
 6 plain biscuits 1. J Stephenson 2. M Evans 3. H Andrews 4. M Evans HC M Evans
 6 fancy biscuits 1. M Evans 2. N Buxton 3. M Evans 4. M Evans HC J Stephenson
 6 shortbread 1. J Miller 2. M Evans 3. M Evans 4. M Evans
 6 small pastry cakes 1. M Evans 2. M Evans 3. B Paver
 6 jam tarts 1. M Evans 2. M Evans 3. M Evans
 6 small plain cakes 1. M Evans 2. M Evans 3. H Andrews HC M Evans
 6 small fancy cakes 1. N Buxton 2. J Miller 3. M Evans HC B Paver
 6 sausage rolls 1. M Evans HC M Evans HC M Evans
 1 savoury pie or flan 1. J Miller 2. B Paver 3. N Buxton
 1 sweet pie or flan 1. M Evans 2. J Miller 3. M Evans
 6 sweet pasties 1. B Paver HC M Evans
 1 loaf wholemeal bread 1. A King 2. B Paver 3. M Evans 4. B Paver HC J Stephenson
 1 loaf white bread 1. A King 2. M Evans 3. M Evans HC M Evans
 1 loaf currant bread 1. M Evans 2. M Evans 3. M Evans HC A King
 Any other kind of loaf 1. A King 2. M Evans 3. B Paver
 6 yeast buns 1. L Burnett 2. M Evans 3. M Evans HC N Buxton
 6 sweet buns 1. M Evans 2. B Paver 3. B Paver HC M Evans
 6 meringues 1. M Evans 2. B Paver 3. M Evans
 12 sweets of any kind 1. B Paver 2. B Paver 3. M Evans HC F Wallace HC M Evans
 Childrens cookery 9yrs and under - fancy C Stevens 2. K Steen 3. H McKay 4. C Hewitt HC R Elsbey HC R Elsbey
 Childrens cookery 9 yrs and under - plain 1. A Barnes 2. J Poole 3. C Hewitt 4. C Stevens HC D Hewitt HC C Stevens J Poole
 Childrens cookery 10 - 14 yrs fancy 1. S Betts 2. S Betts 3. S Betts 4. T McCallum HC M Poole HC N Heathman
 Childrens cookery 10 - 14 yrs plain 1. S Aldridge 2. T McCallum 3. S Aldridge 4. G Strange
 Childrens flower arrangement 9 yrs and under 1. R King 2. S Dodd 3. R King 4. C Hewitt HC C Hewitt HC C Hewitt S Dodd
 Childrens flower arrangement 10-14 yrs 1. T McCallum 2. M Poole 3. S Betts 4. S Betts HC S Betts HC P Halliday
 Childrens collection of 3 outdoor veg 1. Alex Howe 2. R Elsbey 3. R Elsbey HC R Elsbey HC R Elsbey
 Pot plants 9 yrs and under 1. C Hewitt 2. S Dodd 3. C Hewitt
 Pot plants 10-14 yrs 1. T McCallum 2. S Betts 3. T McCallum 4. T McCallum
 Cut flowers grown by a child 9 yrs and under 1. R King 2. M Dodd 3. M Dodd
 Cut flowers grown by a child 10-14 yrs 1. T McCallum 2. T McCallum 3. T McCallum 4. T McCallum



The Falklands Air Force on parade

MPA Photo Section

This was the scene from the air, two Sundays ago, when nearly all the Falklands registered aircraft were mustered for a photo-call in front of the terminal building in Stanley. In the rear is the DASH 7 of the British Antarctic Survey, while their 4 DH Twin-Otters occupy the foreground. Also present were 5 FIGAS Islanders and one private Cessna. Missing are two more Cessnas and one Gyrocopter.

Chamber of Commerce demand independent body to review employment

THE CHAMBER of Commerce have asked for an independent review of employment in the Falklands after having sight of an FIG paper relating to staff terms and conditions which has recently been circulated for discussion amongst Heads of Department, and the Employee's Union.

The paper was described by Government Secretary, Peter King, as the first move towards finding a solution to the differences between the salaries and conditions of hourly paid Government employees and Pennant and Pensionable FIG employees.

Also as a separate study the

paper touches on pension benefits employee's of each category would accrue at the end of their civil service.

The paper will be discussed further by ExCo taking into the account the views of the Union and private sector.

The paper was discussed on March 15 by the Chamber of Commerce. Prompted through a fear of local inflation if Government employees salaries were to rise, the Chamber suggested that the Government introduce an *Independent Employment Review Body* to examine the whole issue before proposals were made.

Ivory satin and roses for Alison's big day



Nan to the rescue as young Jordan Phillips presents a lucky key THE wedding of Alison Alazia and Lenny Ford took place on Saturday at Christchurch Cathedral, Stanley.

Alison wore a stunning ivory satin dress with a layer of scalloped lace around the hem. It had a sweetheart neckline and the bodice was covered with a layer of lace decorated with embossed embroidery, pearls and crystal beads.

The half length puffed sleeves were also decorated with lace. The front of the skirt had an area of delicate embroidery complementing the bodice. Alison's train was held in place with a tiara, again decorated with pearls. The

bride carried a bouquet of cerise and cream roses combined with delicate navy blue flowers and greenery. The six bridesmaids made a dazzling picture with the combination of colours that echoed the brides bouquet. Tracy Saunders and Sheila Harvey wore royal blue satin, whilst Steff Hanlon and Gillian Phillips wore cerise in the same fabric. Nicole Jaffray and Michaela Ford wore white, one with a white sash and one with navy blue.

The bridegroom, best man, and Robin Marsh (who gave the Bride away) all wore matching charcoal coloured suits.

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DIARY OF A FARMER'S CAT by Baldrick Wilkonson

Plumbing puts the 'Missus' under pressure

THIS HAS BEEN quite an exciting kind of week for us cats. Not only was the Missus going in ever-decreasing circles to tidy up the house for her visitors, and I'm surprised she didn't melt into a puddle in the process, but there was the mega-drama of the water shortage.

The Missus finally nagged the Boss into venturing up the hill to find out the problem and - hopefully - cure it. The old bag had been getting quite fraught, what with the party of visitors due for lunch and no water to flush the loo. Well, there's always the rainwater tank of course, but that supply isn't endless. Besides which, it's not everyone that takes kindly to carting their own bucket of water into the bathroom with 'em...

And then the hot water refused to run - meaning no washing water, no washing-up water, and no house-cleaning water. The Boss said it was because there wasn't enough cold water reaching the tank in the loft. It had sort of ground to a halt - if water can grind to a halt?? - oh, well, it can now - and that made the Missus quite frantic. The old bat can get

pretty unpleasant to live with when she's frantic, so the Boss gritted his teeth and Did Something About It...

Several journeys up and down hill later, and several terse conversations later come to that, the Boss managed to unplug the blockage at the tank and water eventually began to trickle through the hot tap. Then of course the nice clean supply from the cold tap - which had been filtered by the blockage until then - became a torrent of yucky orange soup, and the Missus complained that she couldn't do any washing. Honestly, some people take a lot pleasing...

The lunch visit went off well in spite of the rather grim weather, the orange loo water, and helicopter having arrived an hour earlier than the Missus expected it. I thought she might throw a wobbly, as not all the lunch was ready, but the nice lady visitors volunteered their services for slicing up meat and she simmered down a little. I hovered hopefully in case a taster was needed, but fat chance. Us cats get a raw deal. Bones all we got, forsooth. I ask you. What use are bones to a cat? Dogs we are

not, with flamin' great teeth for flamin' great bones...

Anyway, things hotted up again the day after the big visit. The water pressure having built up considerably, the cold water tap in the bathroom sink surrendered to the unfair demands made on it, and disintegrated. Unfortunately it chose to do so in the Boss's hand... There was a roar from the bathroom, sending Second Son legging it down to the ditch to turn off the mains water supply, while the Missus took her life in her hands and went to see how the Boss was coping. She found a rather wet and extremely angry Boss; there was orange water gushing from the hole where the tap had been and lots of very rude words gushing from the Boss. Personally, I thought it was all rather a hoot - but must admit I kept well out of kicking distance...

Once the water had stopped trying to drown us all (and once the Boss had simmered down a little) the Great Tap Hunt began. The Boss and Second Son scoured the shanties for something to solve the problem, while the Missus kept making what she thought were helpful suggestions. You'd think

she'd have known after twenty five years with the Boss that she'd have been wiser to have kept her mouth shut and got on with mopping up the bathroom floor...

Eventually a rather tired looking object was found - No, I don't mean the Missus - and the bathroom sink now sports two 'Hot' taps. Being a helpful sort of soul despite his short temper, the Boss wrote 'Hot' and 'Cold' on the appropriate sides of the sink to avoid anyone scalding themselves. I just hope he really has got them the right way round, or he won't hear the end of it.

The Missus is off tomorrow to yet another knitting meeting, and Second Son is flying back to town. That means of course that the poor old Boss will be left to fend for himself yet again, poor old beggar.

So why is he so cheerful all of a sudden? Beats me...

Cheers, chays -

Love

Baldrick



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Ally and Lenny would like to thank the following people for helping make our wedding day so special:

Robin Marsh for giving me away
Michelle Jones-Bride and bridesmaid hair, Glynis King for doing our makeup, Anne Reid-making the bridesmaid dresses, Sheila McPhee-for all the flowers, Sheila and Terrence-for helping decorated the hall, Marge Adams-getting the suits down for us, Malvina-for a lovely buffet, Hawksworths-for doing the reception spread of food, June McMullen-for doing such a beautiful cake, Arlette Betts, Wayne, Gerard, Lisa Jaffray and Derek Clarke-for being drivers, Nick Hadden-videoing, Norman Clarke-photos, Janice and Jackie Jaffray-ushers, Sheila, Tracey, Stef, Gillian, Mikaela, Nicole-for being bridesmaids, Daniel-for being a good pageboy, Julie Clarke-doing music for the dance, Chris Clarke and helpers doing the bar, and to everybody else NOT forgetting Tooty-thankyou for doing a clean speech! Many thanks for telegrams and presents and cards. You have all made it a day to remember.

The family and friends of the late Molly Peck would like to thank everyone who sent flowers and messages at the time of their sad loss



To Nikki Bucket

at the Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport, Gwent UK.
A baby girl *Jessie Louise*, 7lb 3oz at 5.15am, 23 March 1995.

Congratulations and lots of love from Dad, Sue and family

The Next Step for 'The Falklander'

MOST OF YOU will already know that a design team has been working at Fox Bay all week. The team are proposing that the Falklander collection should consist of twelve garments in various styles and weights.

Ideas have been taken from throughout the range created when the Clothes Show was here, combining the best of all the elements.

More information will be available later.

The team would like to say thank you to everyone who has given them so much help and support through the week.

Anyone who wishes to contribute can contact Pam Summers or Margaret Humphries in Stanley and Rosemary Wilkinson or Griz Cocksell on the West

PERSONAL

Bill and Stephen Luxton would like to say **Thank You** to all the people who helped Pat during her illness and fight for life - the staff at KEMH The royal Air Force and their wonderful Aeromed Team who were so kind and all the friends who were so supportive with letters, phone calls and flowers. We also thank all the kind people who helped on Wednesday the 15th. In particular, Canon Palmer, Rodney and his gang, John Hobman and all the people of Chartres, and FIGAS. Thanks to all those who travelled so far that day - we were so glad to see them, those who sent such beautiful flowers, cards and letters. Thanks too, to all family and friends who have been so supportive.

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From the F.I.D.F. Rifle Association 19th March 1995

The 500 yard Range Championship was shot for on the 19th March won by Ken Aldridge 15 Rounds at 500 yards scores Ken Aldridge 69, Gerald Cheek 65, Chris McCallum 64, Harry Ford 63, Tim McCallum 63.

POSTSCRIPT FROM THE CATHEDRAL

Appearances can sometimes be deceptive

Things aren't always quite what they seem. Sometimes we make important decisions based on outward and superficial appearances.

A Bishop, a winner of the TV Series 'Mastermind', and a student were travelling together on a small plane. Suddenly, the pilot announced that the plane was being forced to ditch and he told the passengers to bail out - apologizing that there were only two parachutes between the three of them.

Immediately, the winner of 'Mastermind' grabbed one and

jumped out.

The student seemed remarkably unperturbed but, nevertheless, the Bishop told him that, as he was old, and prepared to meet his God, the student should take the other parachute.

And then he asked him 'How come you're so calm, anyway?' and the student replied, 'well, the 'Mastermind' has just jumped out of the plane with my rucksack!'

"The lord does not see as man sees; man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart"

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What a whopper!

PEOPLE in Stanley currently have a rare chance to see a large sperm whale "In the flesh" after a solitary animal, believed to be a very large bull, was discovered dead at Christina Bay yesterday. Unfortunately due to the twin constraints of staff illness and time we were unable to obtain photographs or a first hand account at the time of going to press, however we hope to have these in next week's issue.

The large black whale is reported to be quite fresh and although bloated is otherwise very much as when it was alive.

Late on Friday afternoon several Land Rover loads of enthusiastic whale-spotters made the journey down towards the Christina Bay area where it is lying amongst the kelp which has been piled up high along the beach by this week's persistent southerly winds.

"It is not clear whether the unfortunate beast would have beached itself or been washed up" said conservationist Mike Riddy who has spent many hours this summer watching pods of sperm whale accompanying fishing vessels in the FICZ. Surprisingly Captain Geoff Porter didn't spot the animal from FIGAS Islander *Bravolndia* on Friday afternoon but "it may have been difficult to see amongst all the seaweed."

According to local naturalist Ian Strange's Guide to Falklands Wildlife, about ten Great Sperm Whale strandings have occurred in the Falklands during the last quarter of a century. The last one was of a solitary male discovered on Governor Island by the Poncet family. The enormous skull was later sent into Stanley via *MV Tamar*. Mike Butcher, leader of the Falklands anti-whaling lobby (FAWN) spent hundreds of hours preparing it and the skull now forms part of the magnificent display in his back garden. Stanley's Museum are understood to be interested in obtaining the bones from this new beast with a view to reconstructing the skeleton as part of an outdoor exhibit on Victory Green.

"We are hoping nobody will take any of the teeth for souvenirs"

said a museum spokesperson

The whale at Christina Bay was spotted by 58 year old New Zealander Ivor "Harry" Physeter from his 14 metre copper-bottomed ketch *Cephalus* yesterday lunchtime. Harry was making his way towards Stanley after spending the summer cruising in the Antarctic with his Maori wife Maud.

"We wouldn't have spotted the carcass", said Harry "but for the nor'west wind allowing us to come so close inshore. What drew our attention was the huge number of Stinkers - there must have been several thousand both on the beach and just offshore".

He went on to explain that it is a well-known yet unexplained phenomenon that whales often become beached at the time of a new moon.

The intrepid yachtsman has been interested in whale behaviour for a long time. "I have watched hundreds of all species from the decks of various vessels" he said. "I first became interested in them many years ago while

living on the remote Polynesian atoll of Watawapa (before I met my wife of course!).

One morning I was rudely awakened by an alarming series of bumps and scrapes. I rushed on deck in my underpants to discover a humpback severely scratching its head on the bowsprit. On closer inspection it appeared that the whale's blowhole was infested with huge lice the size of your thumb. "Then he chuckled, adding "They appeared to be getting right up his nose".

Harry has in fact visited the Falklands before, spending several weeks working at Fox Bay in the late sixties when his previous yacht was dismantled near Cape Horn. The intrepid mariner remembers with affection the help and encouragement he received that time. In 1972 he became the first yachtsman to overwinter at Vostok base in Antarctica. Harry and Maud (29) plan to sail north to Montevideo then to the Mediterranean for the summer.



Stanley Hostel "in the money" thanks to MPA Ordnance Squadron charity effort

IN FEBRUARY we reported in Penguin News on a sponsored walk from MPA to Stanley organised by Sgt Steve Standing of the Ordnance Squadron, to raise funds for Stanley House School Hostel.

At the time, our headline read

"Aches and blisters raise £1,000 for school hostel", but we were selling the lads short. As may be visible from our photograph, when the "monster cheque" was presented to the delighted children at the hostel, the amount had reached £1,700

Argentine President's son killed in accident

CARLOS MENEM Jr., 25, son of the Argentine President, was killed on March 15, when a helicopter, which he was believed to have been flying, crashed at Rapallo, 100 miles north of Buenos Aires.

Carlos Jr., described by the report in *The Guardian* as "an avid sports fan, like his father," was apparently flying a friend, racing driver Silvio Oltra, to a race practice in Rosario. Sr. Oltra was also killed in the crash.

Top brass are joining jobless

NINETY of the British army's top brass got their marching orders at 9am on March 9, according to an article in *The Guardian* the next day. The senior officers, who included ten major-generals, thirty-two brigadiers and forty-eight colonels, are described as victims of the cuts which followed the end of the cold war.

Alex Bellos, writing in the same paper on the difficulties faced by senior ex-servicemen made redundant, cited the case of Falklands Task Force hero, Major-General Sir Jeremy Moore, who was forced to retire at the age of 54, under a rule which prevents senior officers staying on in a rank if there is no vacancy above them.

Apparently, since leaving the forces, Sir Jeremy became depressed after months without a job.

PR firm visit

SHANDWICK, the public relations firm, recently appointed by FIG to promote the Falklands image in the world, will shortly be sending down a party on a reconnaissance visit to the Islands, which will culminate, it is hoped, in a public meeting to be held on the evening of May 1.

The Chief Executive explained recently, that political lobbying and representation of the Islands was still being ably carried out by Profile.

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VOICE OF THE FALKLANDS



YOUR LETTERS

Write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley

Ian has last word from the West on Stud Flock Sales, the Agricultural Department, subsidies and Stanley people

WHILE I HAVE nothing to add to the opinions passed on the National Stud Flock Sales etc, in recent letters to the Penguin News, there is a comment I feel must be made.

In a letter to Mrs Hansen dated 10th March the Department of Agriculture's Sheep Scientist/Wool Adviser stated:

"As I am sure you are no doubt aware, there is a viewpoint amongst the people of Stanley that the farming community receive enough Government subsidies already, without receiving sponsored flights to attend a business function".

A few points:

1. At no time in any previous

correspondence was subsidising farmers flights mentioned.

2. I have no axe to grind with Stanley people or their businesses and can understand if there may be an attitude towards subsidies.

3. Finally, but most important, I have always been under the impression that the Department of Agriculture and farmers work together for the good of the farming community. So I am surprised and dismayed to find that the Department of Agriculture's policies and decisions concerning the farming community may be subject to the approval of Stanley people.

Ian Hansen
Main Point Farm
West Falkland

(This correspondence is now closed till the next time. Ed)

Public Notice

The Planning Ordinance 1991
Notice of Planning Applications Received

Notice is hereby given that the following applications for planning permission have been received:

Reference No:	Applicant:	Development
31/94/R95	Mr M N Johnson	Renewal of temporary planning permission to site a mobile home at 5 Kent Road, Stanley
37/92/R95	FIDC	Renewal of temporary planning permission for the fishing camp at San Carlos River
8/94/R95	FIMA	Renewal of temporary planning permission for the use of land for Moto-cross racing circuits with provision of car-parking facilities at the Canache, South of Boxer Bridge
12/95/BP	Mr S Morrison	Erection of front porch at 46 Davis Street, Stanley.
13/95/BP	Miss C Middleton	Extension to dwelling to form new living room at 7 James St, Stanley
92/94/R95	FIG	Renewal of temporary planning permission for siting of Rollalong unit - use as tourist office, waiting shelter & public toilet on the Public Jetty, Ross Road, Stanley
14/95/BP	Mr M Wallace	Relocation of garage at 23 Callaghan Road, Stanley
15/95/P	PWD	Dust-extraction cyclone unit at the Carpenters' Shop, Public Work Dept., Ross Road Stanley
16/95/BP	Mr J Whitney & Miss D Summers	Erection of dwelling at 15 Ross Road East, Stanley
17/95/BP	LMW(BM) Ltd	Erection of one 2-bedroomed house at 7 Eliza Crescent, Stanley
18/95/BP	Mr A Jacobsen	Erection of domestic store -workshop at the Victory Bar 1a Philomel Street, Stanley
19/95/BP	Goodwin Offshore Ltd	Erection of storage building at Gordon Lines.

These applications may be inspected during normal office hours at the office of the Secretary to the Planning and Building Committee, Secretariat, Stanley. Comments on the applications should be made in writing and should be sent to the Building Adviser-Planning Officer, building Control Office, Ross Road, Stanley, within 10 days of the date of this notice.

The next meeting of the Planning and Building Committee is due to be held on 6 April 1995 in the Liberation Room of the Secretariat, commencing at 1.30pm. Members of the Public may attend to observe the workings of the Committee.

The Secretariat
Stanley

Public Notice No: 48/95
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CAPED caravan stops as John gets the bus

AT THE END of an amazing ten week period of fund-raising effort in which £13,000 had been raised for the provision of a new bus for the elderly and disabled of this community, CAPED organiser, John Teggart, announced at Government House on Tuesday night that his fund-raising campaign was over.

The announcement came as John was accepting a cheque from Mrs Tatham for £600 raised from the sale of tickets, programmes and donations gathered during the final "Clothes Show" fashion parade in the Town Hall last month.

Mrs Tatham is a member of the CAPED Foundation committee and John Teggart paid tribute to her work, saying that it was useful to have on the committee "someone who actually knows the Governor".

Thanking the people and organisations which had contributed to a magnificent fund-raising effort, among them FIDC, the Military, FIBS and BFBS, John

Teggart singled out FIG for agreeing to match donations pound for pound and for providing funds "up front" to enable the vehicle to be ordered in advance of all the donations being finally received. FIG Ltd. had also made a major contribution by agreeing to ship the bus, freight-free.

Finally, John said that although it had been his idea, he would not have been able to bring it to fruition without the 100% support and hard work of his wife, Wendy.

It is hoped that the CAPED community bus, a DAF, which has been specially adapted for the transport of wheelchair passengers and the disabled will arrive in the Islands in June.

Stanley Nursery School Gift

ON the same occasion at Government House, a donation of £204 from the Clothes Show proceeds was made to Stanley Nursery Organiser, Caroline Aldridge by the Governor

FL. Cancer Support and Awareness Group gets Trust status



Trust members, Derek Howatt, Sister Bridie, Alison Hewitt and Theresa Lang watch as Shiralee Collins signs the deeds

THE Falklands Cancer Support and Awareness Group came of age on Thursday 16th of March, at a small gathering in the lounge bar of the Globe Hotel with the signing of documents which legally define the group in its new status as a charitable trust.

The Trust, as it will now be known, offers "moral, spiritual and financial support" to cancer victims and their families. It also attempts to teach people not to be afraid of the disease.

After six operational months the Trust can offer a mountain of pamphlets (these can be viewed at the library) regarding the disease, and a bank of phone cards for patients going overseas for treatment. The Trust also hope to enrol a number of their members on counselling courses when the opportunity arises. Much of the work of the Trust involves fund raising and on the 8th April, next Saturday, the ladies will be conducting an IRON-A-THON. For only 50p per 1lb you can have your clean washing expertly ironed, whilst supporting a worthy cause.

MEDIA TRUST

SURVEY OF FM RADIO RECEPTION

Representations have been received by the Media Trust from members of the general public who experience difficulties in receiving FM Radio. This causes particular problems for those in Camp, who want to listen to local announcements, programmes and forecasts etc.

Before approaching FIBS and BFBS on this matter, the Media Trust are keen to know the full extent of the poor reception problem.

Members of the public are invited to contact members of the Media Trust with details of the quality of the FM radio reception in their area and to take the opportunity to make any other comments they may have regarding radio broadcasts.

The members of the Media Trust are as follows:

- Grizelda Cockwell (Chair) Fox Bay
- Laurie Butler, Stanley
- Tony Chater, New Island
- Myriam Booth, Stanley
- Ailsa Heathman, Estancia

Letters on this subject may be addressed to:

Kathleen Clarke
Secretary to the Media Trust
The Secretariat
Stanley

BOC Round World Race: Falklands Fisheries Patrol locates Japanese entry

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS Fisheries Department were the first to provide information on the whereabouts of a racing yacht which had not made radio contact for 25 days.

On March 26 at 8.10pm, the Fishery Patrol Vessel *Northern Desire* sighted the yacht *Shuten-Dohji II* to the west of the Islands. The yacht was yet another cripple of the BOC single-handed, round the world race and is similar to the three yachts from this race which came to Stanley for repair recently.

Although his auto-pilot was broken and he could not raise his main sail, the Skipper, Mr M Saito said he was proceeding to Punta del Este in Uruguay.

The Fisheries Department faxed this information to BOC Race Headquarters in Charleston, USA, from where they were informed that this was the first communication from *Shuten-Dohji II* in 25 days.

Messages of thanks have been received both from BOC Headquarters in Charleston and the yacht's supporters in Japan.

BOC added that they still had one yacht missing, the *Henry Hornblower*, skippered by race's

oldest entrant, 72 year old Briton, Henry Mitchell and asked that Fisheries Department vessels keep an eye out for it as it has a similar boat speed to *Shuten Dohji* and could possibly be in the vicinity of the Falklands.

Meanwhile the other competitors in the race who called in to Stanley for repairs met with mixed fortunes on the last part of the leg to Punta del Este in Uruguay. American Arnet Taylor in *Thursday's Child* made good time as did last-to-leave Robin Davie in *Cornwall*, who is now fifth in Class 2 for the smallest yachts in the race.

Less fortunate was Australian Alan Nebauer in *Newcastle Australia*. Having lost his mast before arriving in the Falklands, he suffered the further misfortune of losing his rudder three days after leaving here.

Alan's wife, Cindy, in a fax to Martin Cox at Confish said that it had taken Alan 10 days to get to Punta del Este after breaking his rudder, but with the help of the other skippers in the race he was hoping to have got a new rudder made and to be organised to leave today (Saturday)

Falkland Islands Girl Guides Association
announce

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OR
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3rd Prize: £100 FIGAS flights or cash

Air share with British Atlantic a possibility

AIR ATLANTIC, the British airline which, as has been known for some time, are keen to take over the Falklands-UK airbridge from the RAF, are making a new submission to the MOD early next week, which if successful could lead to them sharing the route with the existing carrier.

Announcing this move which he was made aware of during his recent visit to London, Chief Executive Andrew Gurr stressed that the fact that Air Atlantic were making the bid by no means implied that they would be successful, but said that it appeared that the RAF were experiencing increasing difficulties in maintaining their fleet of increasingly ageing Tri-Stars.

Setting up a joint service would go some way, Mr Gurr believed, to allow both sides to gain a clearer idea of the true cost of operating the service.

Should they be successful, Air Atlantic have stated that they would be using Boeing 767 aircraft on the route.

On the subject of other air routes to the Falklands, Mr Gurr said that it now seemed unlikely that DAP would be able to introduce a larger plane on their route from Chile to the Falklands. However, he believed there was a possibility of competition for DAP from other Chilean airlines, in particular National Airlines, which had expressed an interest in running a service to the Falklands using Boeing 737s.

The good news and the bad from C&W

HOPES that the recent visit of Cable and Wireless executives would lead to an early and radical overhaul of the Camp VHF telephone system were somewhat dashed this week, when Chief Executive Andrew Gurr told LegCo that there appeared to be doubt whether Cable and Wireless could be called upon to undertake the necessary remedial work, estimated at £1 million, in the terms of the existing contract.

Stressing the excellent relations which obtained between FIG and C&W, the Chief Executive informed council that lawyers on both sides were examining the contract to discover the exact position.

Good news was available with the announcement that C&W would be announcing changes in tariff structure which would make international calls much better value.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

DUE to staff illness, Penguin News was not able to attend the Legislative Council meeting and consequently we have had to rely on FIBS for full details. We shall attempt a review of the meeting and of other council business in our next issue.

VE Day public holiday May not August

IN THE Governor's report on the recent meeting of Executive Council on Page 5, it states that the Governor intends to announce a public holiday on August 8th. This was an error and the holiday will be granted on Monday May 8th.



THE fund raising is over for CAPED (see story elsewhere), but the cheques keep appearing. Mrs Tatham presents a cheque for £600 from the Clothes Show takings to John Teggart, while FIDC's Ian Dempster looks on

Governor's Summary of ExCo Meeting on Wednesday, March 29

Hands up for the NZ Golden Shears Competition, courtesy of FIG

THE following is taken from the summary of the meeting of ExCo on March 29, prepared by HE the Governor, Mr David Tatham, to whom go our thanks.

This was a long meeting of ExCo it started at 9.00 in the morning and went on until 6.30 in the evening. Councillors Edwards, Teggart and Halford were present.

Cable & Wireless

In matters arising, the Chief Executive briefed us on conversations with Cable & Wireless in London, and on the continuing negotiations. These centre on: the rate at which international telephone calls are charged; the need to establish a new earth station in Stanley; and the need to improve standards on the Camp telephone system.

Oil Clean Up

The need to clean up oil at the

former sealing station in Albermarle was discussed and the Chief Executive told us that PWD believed they could handle the operation and would prepare a detailed plan.

Housing Working Group

It was agreed that a Housing Working Group would be set up to examine how the continuing demand for new housing could be met. Councillor Teggart and various officials will be members.

Stud Flock Site

The site for the National Stud Flock was discussed at some length. It was agreed to accept the offer of camp at Hope Cottage/Saladero which Falkland Landholdings had made and to move the sheep in now. The price for the purchase of this land would be discussed with FLH.

Golden Shears Comp.

Also on the subject of fleeces, it was agreed that government would pay the fares for two shearers to attend the Golden Shears Competition in New Zealand in March next year.

VE & VJ Days

I described the arrangements which are at present being planned to celebrate VE Day in May, and VJ Day in August. I expect to announce a public holiday on Monday 8 August, and there will be a drumhead service of commemoration on Saturday 6 August at Government House. A dance will also be arranged. On VJ Day in August, we shall aim to send three veterans of the Second World War and three serving members of the Falkland Islands Defence Force to London for the commemoration parade. A street party will be arranged by the Royal British Legion and the Royal Naval Association in the school street in Stanley.

Driving Licences

An Order authorising visitors to drive in the Falklands for up to 12 months on a foreign driving licence was agreed. It was also agreed that the Falkland Islands driving licence needed updating and that some form of plastic card bearing a photograph would be helpful, not so much in the Islands, but when Islanders are hiring cars abroad.

MPA Road

A programme for the complete surfacing of the road to Mount Pleasant was agreed. The total cost of rebuilding and surfacing over two years would amount to about £3½ million. It was agreed that the sum required to fill in the ditches - £6 million - was simply too large, but some work at particular danger points may be authorised.

Fishing Licences

The rates at which fishery licences should be set for next year were discussed with the Director of Fisheries and his recommendations were approved.

Illex Squid Warning

John Barton warned us that for the second year running illex

catches were dangerously low. This has implications for next year's spending, and of course may require action to be taken this fishing season to preserve the stock.

PWD Contracts

It was agreed that PWD contracts for such items as garbage disposal, chimney sweeping and meter reading could be let for more than one year.

Tax Appeal Tribunal

A Tax Appeal Tribunal was established and seven members appointed to it with a number of reserves.

Computer Upgrades

A paper considering the use of computers within government was discussed and it was agreed that a wholesale upgrading of computers should be undertaken during the course of the next financial year. Tenders will be called for by government and it was agreed that we needed to look very closely at exactly what we would expect our new systems to achieve. As one Councillor said - "we are not just buying expensive typewriters."

Oil Situation

The Chief Executive, who had already circulated a very full account to Councillors of his visit to Houston for the meeting of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists, and a separate account of his talks in London, went again over the oil situation. I briefed Councillors on the informal talks which had been held between British and Argentine officials, most recently in London on Monday of this week.

Falkland Landholdings

The Chief Executive had prepared a strategy paper on Falkland Landholdings and it was agreed by Council that after some amendment this should be circulated to the FLH Board and the FLH farm managers, as well as to officials and the Agricultural Advisory Group. When their comments were received, the paper would be distributed publicly and discussion would be encouraged and opinions sought.

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Race 2	1st 2nd 3rd	N. Davis Andrew Smith J. Butler	
Race 3	1st 2nd 3rd	A. Turner J. Butler G. Butler	
Race 4	1st 2nd 3rd	S. Morrison T. Whitney A. Turner	Sandown Quickstep Trapalantia
Race 5	1st 2nd 3rd	T. Whitney S. Halford M. Davis	Esconce Wacha Mistera Maria
Race 6	1st 2nd 3rd	B. Short/C. Summers A. Turner/G. Butler J. Butler/N. Davis	
Race 7	1st 2nd 3rd	W. McKay N. Finn D. Clarke	Starlight Smokey Quilida
Race 8	1st 2nd 3rd	S. Morrison T. Whitney O. Summers	Sandown Quickstep Hotstuff
Race 9	1st 2nd 3rd	T. Bonner H. Bonner M. Davis	Croacia Dory Mistera Maria
Race 10	1st 2nd 3rd	P. Watson C. Summers A. Smith	
Race 11	1st 2nd 3rd	S. Morrison P. Watson T. Whitney	Sandown Sharka Quickstep
Race 12	1st 2nd 3rd	N. Finn G. Phillips M. McKay	Smokey Moonshine Quilida
Race 13	1st 2nd 3rd	M. Evans D. Gilding H. Bonner	Miss Ellie Moonshine Slim Dusty
Race 14	1st 2nd 3rd	T. Whitney R. Binnie P. Watson	Esconce Miss Moneypenny Sharka
Race 15	1st 2nd 3rd	B. Short A. Smith J. Butler	Duke Harmony Jenna
Race 16	1st 2nd 3rd	S. Morrison M. Evans H. Bonner	Kahlua Nikita Silencio

Report by Patrick Watts

Stanley's Mini-Sports Cold wind but hot competition



ABOVE: Duane enjoys a day at the Mini Sports

TYRONE and Keith Whitney continued their winning ways with their splendid mare 'Esconce' during the one day race meeting at Stanley Race Course on March 25th, with Esconce stretching her current winning run to 10 races. Three further victories were recorded at the 'mini-sports' with the most remarkable, and possibly most memorable for many years, coming in a 600 yds event when the Douglas Station mare held off the challenge from the recently imported Chilean horses 'Wacha' and 'Mysteria Maria', plus the now elderly import 'Silencio'. In a thrilling race Tyrone Whitney riding Esconce established a lead which he re-

fused to surrender and despite the valiant efforts of jockeys Sharon Halford and Maurice Davis he triumphantly brought his mount past the post with the widest grin imaginable spread across his face.

Keith Whitney later expressed his disappointment that two other Chilean imports 'Dory' and 'Croacia' had been withdrawn from the race by jockey/trainer Tim Bonner, who considered that the 'pulling-up' area was too wet following heavy overnight rain, and he did not wish to risk the health of his valuable horses. Both Don and Tim Bonner indicated that they will relish the challenge of 'Esconce' at the next race meeting and with the Whitneys sporting offer now on the table an exciting series of races are in prospect.

'Esconce' won 2 other 600yds races beating the strong running 'Sharka' from Long Island which was ridden by Lisa Riddell, and the Fitzroy favourite 'Miss Money Penny' ridden by Ron Binnie.

Unfortunately 'Esconce' did not meet Stewart Morrisons 'Sandown' which also remained unbeaten, so another clash between locally bred horses at the Christmas sports meeting is eagerly awaited. 'Sandown' held off the speedster 'Quickstep' at 500, 400 and 440yds, although 'Sharka' challenged strongly at 440yds, fin-

ishing second.

The clear but cold day resulted in a low turnout of spectators, but those who ventured to the course enjoyed an exciting days racing, interspersed with gymnkhana events at which Nicky Davis, Arthur Turner, Paul Watson and Bobby Short excelled.

The double Governors Cup winner 'Croacia' ridden by Tim Bonner appeared just once, but romped away with a 700yds race, with 'Dory' and 'Mysteria Maria' in 2nd and 3rd places.

Trotting races generally do not attract much attention but the 'Mini-Sports' trot saw a wonderful veteran champion 'Moonshine' ridden by Debbie Gilding, edged into 2nd place by a racer turned trotter 'Miss Ellie' ridden by Michelle Evans, with the outcome only being decided in the final few strides. Two other former racers Slim Dusty and Indiana ridden by Hayley and Tim Bonner respectively were only a couple of lengths further back.

The Juniors also had an opportunity to show their skills, with Wayne McKay winning in the morning and Natalie Finn in the afternoon and her unexpected victory brought a £10 tote payout on a 10p ticket. One lucky punter picked up £100 for just £1 - It was that sort of day -



Michelle Evans on Miss Ellie



Ba ckwards Race



ABOVE: Denise McPhee, Veronica Summers and Nicki Luxton BELOW LEFT: Owen Summers, Bobby Short and Tooty Morrison BELOW RIGHT: Start of Trotting Race



Arthur Turner on Tarkin

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2nd April An Unhappy Anniversary



Photo: Agencia Noticias Argentinas

Stanley, April 2nd 1982, when the world turned upside down

EYE WITNESS

It is difficult to communicate to anyone who has not experienced it, just how traumatic armed invasion is - perhaps most particularly for those who have no part in the fighting, but simply have to passively await their fate.

In Stanley it was, I suppose, a bit like having to look on while one's house was being broken into by burglars - burglars moreover who spoke a foreign language and showed no signs of ever going away. Nor did it matter that these burglars in some cases saw themselves as liberators - a burglar is a burglar and no-one being burgled cares about the burglar's motives.

Here are some witnesses to the event.

WITNESS. Heather Petterson, wife of the Government Printer and at the time living in the Police Cottages on Ross Road, in the centre of Stanley

"We first heard about it when the Governor announced what was happening over the radio. He asked for the FIDF so Tony and Derek went off for that. That left myself, Tony D and Richard in the house and we listened to the radio all the time; Patrick did really well. Unfortunately they played some pretty mournful music the whole night, so we listened to that and watched some video and then went to bed. We didn't sleep much even though it was such a calm evening, a beautiful evening really

In the early hours I awoke to hear shots being fired so I got up and heard Patrick say on the radio that the Argies had landed at York Bay. People were ringing the radio station saying what they could see. We could see the whole harbour, the flashes and the puffs of smoke down at the end of the harbour.

Something that did cheer us up was when somebody said over the radio that one of the big tank-like things was bogged up by the power station; that really boosted our morale. Then Mr Davis from ARC phoned asking for help; the shots must have hit some pipes in his house or something because he had been partly flooded out.

We ran from window to window trying to see as much as we could. First we saw some marines on the triangle of grass outside our house. They were swearing and cursing (I didn't know the marines knew such bad language!) and there was a motorbike just lying abandoned. Tony D was terribly upset because out of one window she could see the ARC horses galloping around trapped in one area, or so she thought anyway. Everything just seemed so noisy and confused.

Later we heard that Gilbert and Baker were going to talk to the Argentinians. We saw them walk

up the street carrying a white flag. It was like a bad movie, we could see this enormous amphibious tank driving towards them it stopped outside St. Mary's and we didn't know if it was just going to knock them down. A strutting little Argie came out with his gun and then I think they were then escorted to Government House.

I just felt stunned by it all. It didn't occur to me that I shouldn't be standing up at the window watching. Richard kept telling me to get my head down, but I wanted to see what was happening.

I remember the flag being hoisted at St. Mary's, that Argie thing. It was horrible. Again we just felt stunned. Then all the argie soldiers came out of the Town Hall and started cheering around the flag. After what seemed to be such a short space of time the whole of the front road seemed to be packed with soldiers shouting and cheering. So many things flashed through my mind, all the people I was worried about; and the strangest thing of all...I kept worrying whether we were going to run out of toilet paper!!

Tony and Derek were escorted back in the late morning, I think it was about 10 o'clock but I'm not sure, time seemed to stand still. After that we just sat around and listened to everyone's accounts on the radio, we couldn't eat; we were just shocked and a bit frightened. Old Marj Morrison was next door on her own, she ran around to our house when she got the chance, she was terribly upset. She was the first of many lodgers.

We had our 2 metre set on the whole time; everyone was calling Stanley, loads of worried parents trying to find out if the hostel children were OK. Also our relations were calling from camp to find out if we were OK. I remember telling them not to say anything rude about the Argies in case they were listening. I didn't want anyone to get into trouble.

There were planes and helicopters everywhere. I'd never seen

things like that before, the noise of that and the pop pop of guns, it all sounded so much louder on such a calm day but the worst thing of all was to see that flag fluttering gently, I'll never forget that..."



Not Beirut or Croatia, but Ross Road Stanley on April 2nd 1982

WITNESS: Lisa Watson from Long Island, now our News Editor, but then a young girl writing to her grandparents in England on April 2nd, to tell them all that she had been able to see from her Grandma's house in Moody Street, where she was staying while attending school in Stanley..

Dear Nan and Grandad,
How are you? I suppose you've been listening to the news about Argentina taking over the FI. Well last night at 8.15 the governor gave us a message over the radio telling us that the schools

and everything were closed and we were not allowed to go out of your houses because 4 Argentine warships and one aircraft carrier had been spotted. It also told all the FIDF to report to someplace (which I can't remember). The FIBS kept going all night with Patrick playing music and giving us messages from the Governor.

I think it was about 5am when Gran woke me up and warned me not to get scared if I heard some shooting. When I looked out my window I could see the ships and a landing craft just about at the jetty. There were just about 1000

Argentine troops and they were fighting with the marines and the FIDF. There were big rattles and crashes that shook the house, George Lyse has got a bullet hole in his window but he was all right. A Mr Davis got a bomb thrown at his house and he has got a 6ft hole in his roof. At about 5 to 6 Gran & I got up because we couldn't get to sleep with all the shooting. In the morning they were still fighting and 3 Argentinians were injured. I think one of them is dying. None of the locals were hurt. They surrounded government house but the governor

would not surrender. They took over the airport, police station and exchange, the studio and other government places.

Then all the Brengun carriers arrived. They are really big. I think they look like a boat on wheels. People kept ringing up Patrick with messages about what was happening on their road. It was quite funny because one of the brengun carriers got bogged behind the power station. A General Somebody with a long name is coming and he is going to be the chief and Mr Hunt is going to be sent away with all the rest of the officials.

It is quite quiet now except for the Argentine helicopters flying about. There are Argentine flags everywhere and they keep playing their National Anthem on the radio.

I hope the British ships come soon. We are not allowed out of our houses until the top feller gets an order to let us carry on normally.

I want to go out to Long Island but Dad won't be able to come and get me. If you need food or help you have to put a white flag in your window.

Sorry this isn't a very nice letter but I wanted to tell some one about it.

Lots of Love Lisa



WITNESS: Mary Faria, at that time matron, mother and friend to twenty or so girls from Camp, living in a temporary hostel on Racecourse Road.

The first thing that told Mary something was wrong was the sight of the Islander flying up Stanley Harbour. It was early evening and Rob Rutherford (a teacher who had been at Darwin School with Mary)

told her the Argentinians were going to invade in the early hours of the following morning. The Islander was landed on the Racecourse (Although it was not used the plan was that it should be the Governor's getaway vehicle)

It was felt by teaching staff, many of whom lived in the Racecourse Road area, that Mary should not be left solely responsible for the girls. Mr and Mrs Peatfield from the Junior School (who lived next door) and Mrs Janice Blackburn, a teacher from the Senior School who had earlier lived in the hostel, decided to spend the night in the hostel with her. They slept on the sitting room floor, but, as Mary put it, "nobody slept really".

Mary remembers some of the older girls in her charge included Violet and Wanda Clarke, Sheena Newman, Faith Felton, Kia Miller and Anne Morrison. She said the girls went to their dormitories as usual and tried to doze, but were all too frightened to achieve any real rest.

The younger girls were terrified and the main aim of the staff was to try and keep them as calm as possible. By the early hours of the morning this became more and more difficult as explosions could be easily heard and there was the constant flashing of tracer bullets outside the windows.

The day was chaotic, Mary said "we were all so scared, it was horrible seeing them lined up on the roads" but in the midst of this chaos meals had to be organised and girls had to be ferried to the RT station to talk to their worried parents.

As well as this, belongings had to be packed so that the children would be ready to leave Stanley and return to the camp when the chance came. Over the next couple of days the hostel was emptied; some flew and others travelled in convoys of vehicles organised by the parents.

Mary herself eventually travelled by rover to Fitzroy and Walker Creek with her youngest son Basil. The trip was made in the dark which again was a frightening experience she said that "for all any of us knew they could be hiding in the dark waiting to stop us and send us back".

Eventually they caught up with a convoy of Goose Green people who were also ferrying people from Stanley.

Mary managed to take some of her belongings with her but the rest including ornaments, clothes and family photo's were lost, some were damaged when the house in which they were stored was shelled and the remainder vandalised.

Photo: Tony Chater

Dear Mum & Dad
 How are you?
 I suppose you have been listening to the news about Argentina taking over the Falklands.
 Well last night at 11:15 the governor gave us a message over the radio telling us that the Shetlands and everything was done and we were not allowed to go out of our houses because of Argentine war ships and one commando carrier had been spotted. It also told all the FIDS to report to someone (which I can't remember). The FIDS had going all night with music playing and going in messages from the Governor.
 I think it was about 5am when Gran woke me up and wanted me not to get scared if I heard some shooting. When I looked out my window I could see the ships and a landing craft just about at the jetty. There were just about 1000 Argentine troops and they were fighting with the marines and the FIDS. There were big missiles and rockets that shoot the house. George Lytle has got a bullet hole in his window but he was all right. A Mr Davis got a bomb thrown at his house and he has got a bit hole in his roof. At about 5:06 Gran & I got up because we couldn't get to sleep with all the shooting. In the morning they were still fighting and 5 Argentines were injured. I think one of them is dying. None of the boats were hurt. They surrounded government house but the governor would not surrender. They took over the airport, police station and exchange, the studio and other government places.
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 Lots of Love Lisa



Copy of an original letter written by Lisa Watson (now Lisa Riddell) on April 2nd, 1982 to her grandparents in England

April Events

Saturday 1st	Commando Challenge
Sunday 2nd	
Tuesday 4th	Civil Servants Association meeting, Town Hall
Saturday 8th	Disco, Town Hall
Friday 14th	Disco, Town Hall
Saturday 15th	FIMA Supper Dance, Town Hall
Sunday 16th	U.K National Code Changes are introduced
Wednesday 19th	CSE Show, Town Hall
Friday 21st	Queen's Birthday Parade, 10:45am Victory Green
Friday 28th	Dart competition, Town Hall

Looking back on March

Deaths:

- 4th March, Charlotte Agnes Williams 82
- 7th March, Mary Peck 78
- 8th March, Patricia Maureen Luxton 51

Marriages:

- 25th March, Leonard Ford and Alison Jane-Marie Alazia

Births:

- 9th March, a son, Dominic Summers Jaffray to John Jaffray and Nicola Summers

Falklands Cookery

by
Jenny Luxton

I personally have only had one feed of mushrooms, I think it has been too dry, but with the rain in the last week or so, perhaps there are more around. I have decided to part with one of my favourite recipes! Also at this time of year the Tea-berries are ripe for eating, the most mouth watering way to eat these is straight from the ground with loads of fresh cream and sugar on... but I make cakes and buns too, and these freeze.

Mushroom Pasta

Sauce: Chop an onion and garlic finely and fry in butter until soft. Add mushrooms and cook.

Season with marjoram (there is fresh around still), salt, ground pepper (plenty), dry sherry. The amount of seasoning is a matter of taste, so go steadily at first. Add cream to this mixture, enough to coat pasta well. Ideal milk can be used, long life cream, of course fresh is best! Cook pasta until dente stage and add sauce. Sprinkle with cheese before eating. This can be used as a main course or a starter.

Tea-berry Buns or Cake

6 oz Butter/margarine
 6 oz Sugar
 3 eggs
 6 oz Self-Raising Flour
 Cream butter and sugar together, add eggs with small amount of flour and beat, sift flour and fold in well - to this mixture add a jam jar of tea-berries. Put mixture in bun cases or cake in two layer cake tins. Bake at 180° C for buns and 160° C for cake until cooked. Sandwich cake together with cream.

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Across

1. Senior or Secret, its better with a smile (7)
7. Relax grip soon else he'll choke (anag, 6)
8. A person, but, uniquely, of uncertain quantity (7)
9. Sounds like a medieval rogue in church (4)
10. Consumes breakfasts, lunches and dinners, teas even (anag 4)
12. Charms, despite calling for no more personal auditory equipment (7)
14. It takes you to reduce this relative to an insect (4)
16. Don't make a hit with this young lady (4)
18. A relaxing city to grow wrinkly in (4)
20. Think of a John Lennon song (7)
21. A geographer might pick on these failings (6)
22. Married, just like a horse (7)

Down

1. Hang up your disbelief or your stockings (7)
2. Give it back some rapid eye movement. (5)
3. Reagan introduced himself to Tarzan, metallicly (4)
4. She is going to get lean in a smart way (anag 7)
5. Holding up the night sky (8)
6. An eager sort of animal (6)
11. Leisurewear suit for sailors (8)
12. Mixed up, but proud to be shingle! (7)
13. Hang like a bridge or a sentence (7)
15. Turn round this Texan town and trim for a nice green accompaniment to a long horn steak (5)
17. These eyes are reputed to smile, perhaps its the poteen? (5)
19. Pants but does not beat for healing streams, the psalmist says (4)

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**UK NEWSLETTER
by Sir Rex Hunt**

NP8901 - their numbers are dwindling but still they meet to reminisce

SO much for British Summer Time. I played golf in a snowstorm this morning. Despite the conditions, for a change I turned in a reasonable score. Sheer luck, of course, but it produced the now inevitable reaction from my colleagues - I had an unfair advantage because I was used to playing in weather like that in the Falklands. No matter how many times I try to put them right, they insist on believing that you live way down in the Antarctic wastes.

As well as countering Argentine propaganda, I hope therefore that the Public Relations company recently engaged by Councillors will dispel the many misconceptions that people in this country still have about the Falkland Islands. Apart from the weather, there is widespread ignorance about the size of the Islands, their distance from Argentina, their cost to the British taxpayer and, most importantly of all, their history and the strength of the British claim.

Talking of public relations, I should like to congratulate all who took part in the Clothes Show for contributing to such an enjoyable and interesting programme. It reached a wide audience in the UK and I have heard nothing but highly favourable comment. Your enthusiasm shone through and I think did more for your cause than any documentary that has gone before. The only problem that I foresee now is to find enough knitters to meet the demand.

By the time you read this, I shall be in Plymouth with the Royal Marines who defended us on the night of the invasion 13 years ago. The number turning up has dwindled a little over the years, and most of them have now left the Corps, but it is heart-warming to see again those who manage to be there every year. I am always inundated with questions about the Falkland Islands and interested to hear news of the ex-members of NP8901.

Mayht Keht - unlucky again!

HULL trawler owner Boyd Line has placed the Russian freezer trawler *Mayht Keht* under Admiralty Marshall arrest in Hull in respect of alleged non-payment of repair and other bills totalling £162,000.

The *Mayht Keht* may be remembered by some as the *Mount Kent*

One old friend who will not be there this year is Sergeant Mac McKie, whom some of you will remember. He is now a Security Officer in the British Embassy in Moscow. His previous post was Buenos Aires where, he told me in a recent letter, all the drivers recognised him from his visits on the diplomatic bag run in 1981/82.

Another event to be celebrated this year is the 100th anniversary of the birth of R J Mitchell, the designer of the Spitfire. I was privileged to attend a lecture the other day given by his son, who announced that both the Royal Mail and the Royal Mint would be honouring his father.

Islanders who gave so generously for Spitfires during the Second World War will be interested to hear that there will be a Commemorative Insignia label and stamp book issued by the Royal Mail and a Centenary medal (like the Falklands 150th) issued by the Royal Mint.

Mitchell died of cancer in 1937 at the early age of 42, before his design had proved to be the greatest fighter aircraft ever produced. It is an interesting thought that, without it, we may not have been celebrating the 50th anniversary of VE Day this year. All I can say is, thank God that Mitchell was an Englishman and not a German.

It is incredible now to think that, ten years before Mitchell's death, a Member of Parliament called Ponsonby proposed a motion for the abolition of the Royal Air Force. The motion was defeated, but not before a serious debate on disarmament by example. Ponsonby argued that the first nation which had the courage to disarm would be followed by other countries very quickly and that we should thus get disarmament by general consent.

On reflection, perhaps it is not so incredible. What about our present-day unilateral nuclear disarmers? They are the modern Posnsonbys.

from when it was in the Falklands as part of the disastrous Seamount operation, a joint venture between Seaboard Offshore Ltd. of Aberdeen and Stanely Fisheries Ltd. established to fish the FICZ.

The vessel is now operated by the Russian company Sevrybholodflot.

Coping calmly with heavy seas, a rolling ship and a language problem wins Pete a commendation



Flt Sgt. Pete Joyce receives the Commendation from CBFPI

GOING to the rescue of an injured fisherman as part of the crew of a Sea King of 78 Sqn brought a commendation from Commander British Forces, Air Commodore Peter Johnson, for Flight Sergeant Pete Joyce.

The duty Search and Rescue crew from MPA were scrambled on the evening of February 27 to attempt to transport an injured fisherman from a Chilean trawler, Betanzos, which was then located sixty nautical miles to the north.

On arrival at the ship, the Sea King crew found that the vessel was pitching and rolling in 5 metre swells and the rear deck, cluttered with numerous nets and a large A frame, making it an impossible winching area.

Fifteen minutes were spent turning the vessel onto different headings to try to reduce some of its movement, before the winchman, Flt. Sgt. Joyce could attempt a transfer to the vessel. On being winched out some 15 metres from the vessel, Flt Sgt. Joyce found that it was sometimes below him and sometimes above him as the swells passed below. In fact due to the motion of the vessel, the difference in the foredeck's height relative to the

helicopter was varying between 30 and 75ft.

Nothing daunted, Flt. Sgt. Joyce indicated to the winch operator that he was ready to be moved over the vessel. It was necessary at this stage to wait for a dead period between swells else he could have had the very unpleasant experience of the deck coming swiftly up to meet him.

Eventually such a period arrived and Flt. Sgt. Joyce was able to land safely on the ship close to the bow to direct the lowering of medical equipment, again no mean feat due to the variation in height between the two vehicles, which led to the line being slack one moment and taut the next.

With the medical kit aboard, Flt. Sgt. Joyce was able to begin to splint the legs of the fisherman, who had suffered severe crush injuries from a net, resulting in a fractured left femur and right tibia.

After fifty minutes on the trawler's deck, hampered by the language difficulty as well as the conditions, Flt Sgt Joyce had his patient on a stretcher and elected to be winched up to the helicopter with him.

During the subsequent flight to the KEMH, Flight Sergeant Jones continued treating the casualty.

Stars of the Month

The table shows the true compass bearing and the altitude of the largest stars at 2000 Stanley Time on the days indicated. Winter time starts on 15th April. Magnetic variation is about 5 degrees East. Betelgeuse and Mars are orange red. Venus, Saturn and Jupiter are morning stars.

April	1st	6th	11th	16th	21st	26th	30th
Regulus	37	32	27	6	360	355	351
Spica	19	21	23	26	26	26	26
Gacrux	92	88	84	67	62	57	53
Acrux	13	16	19	31	34	36	38
Hadar	127	125	123	119	119	119	120
Rigel	50	53	55	66	69	71	73
Avior	135	134	134	134	135	137	140
Atria	53	55	57	66	68	71	72
Achernar	139	137	135	130	129	128	127
Canopus	41	43	46	55	57	59	61
Rigel Kentaunus	143	141	139	133	131	130	129
Bellatrix	38	40	42	51	53	55	57
Betelgeuse	152	167	185	228	232	234	234
Sirius	81	82	82	76	73	71	69
Procyon	162	160	158	152	151	150	149
Mars	35	36	37	42	44	45	47
Venus	225	223	221	211	209	206	204
Saturn	40	38	36	29	27	26	25
Jupiter	257	256	255	248	246	244	242
Mercury	77	74	71	59	57	54	52
Uranus	310	305	300	282	278	274	271
Neptune	36	34	31	20	17	14	11
Pluto	320	316	311	293	289	285	282
Antares	24	22	20	10	7	4	2
Arcturus	328	323	319	300	296	292	289
Aldebaran	26	24	22	13	10	7	5
Altair	335	327	320	297	292	287	284
Polaris	53	51	50	40	37	34	32
Procyon	357	352	346	324	319	314	310
Antares	33	33	32	27	25	23	21
Planets							
Mars (2000)	20	16	12	353	349	345	342
Venus (0600)	17	17	19	20	20	20	20
Saturn (0600)	81	81	80	66	66	65	64
Jupiter (0600)	20	18	16	23	20	18	16
Mercury	85	85	82	65	61	56	53
Venus	9	11	14	26	28	30	32
Jupiter	338	330	322	296	291	286	282
Saturn	59	57	56	46	43	40	37
Sunrise (Stanley)	07130732	0729	0638	0646	0654	0700	
Sunset (Stanley)	18371826	1815	1704	1654	1644	1636	

Saying "sorry" with flowers after a PN double bloomer



WHEN *Penguin News* gets it wrong, we sometimes do it in a big way, but last week in our report on the Horticultural Show, we made a double error. Due perhaps to a momentary interruption to a typist, we credited Jim Simpson with winning the Lady Hunt Challenge Cup for the best flower garden, which, in fact, was won by Rene Rowlands.

In fact, Jim had won the Horticultural Society's Challenge Cup

for the most points in the Pot Plants section, with 25½ points, a fact we omitted to mention at all.

To both we offer our sincere apologies, but particularly to Rene, who on the strength of her win had bought extra copies of *Penguin News* to send away to friends and relatives.

To make it up to her, we are sending some flowers, her own, in this picture of Rene in her garden, by Tony Chater.

DIARY OF A FARMER'S CAT by Baldrick Wilkinson

Demeaning but necessary tactics....

SHEESH. Bang goes the peace and quiet. Bang goes a chap's tranquillity. Bang goes the golden aura of all's well with the world surrounding the Boss. No prizes for guessing what's caused the ripples on our small pond. Yep, that's right. You've guessed it. The old bag's back from her knitting jamboree....

You'd think, wouldn't you, that after six days solid knitter-natter even a fanatic like the Missus would be content to relax once she got home and let life resume its normal course. You'd think that she'd want a break from woolly business - or, better still, find herself a whole new interest. Clay modelling, say, or soap carving. (Us cats would be happy to model for her and our fees would be favourably low. The odd tin of Whiskas and I'd pose anywhere any time, for anyone.) And if the silly old bat didn't fancy potting, sculpting or carving, what about Yoga, Kung Fu or ballet? Or cat's cradle or nature study, come to that?? Gadzooks - even I manage a spot of bird watching, between snoozes....

(Talking of bird watching reminds me - I haven't made my daily check on that clucky hen today. Must put that right. Mind you, it's a dodgy exercise going anywhere near the blasted bird. Comes at you like a Side-winder missile, she does and that beak of hers could penetrate steel plate. Got me on the run yesterday, she did, and I'm not mentioning where - let's just say I can't sit down at present....)

Anyway, fat chance of the Missus giving up her knitting. In fact, she's moving all her woolly bits lock, stock and barrel back into the Portakabin, heaven help us. Full of junk it was, and an ideal place for a chap to grab a peaceful snooze. Not that I got many chances to get in there, of course, what with it only being used for 'storage'. (The Missus's euphemism for 'tip'.) And once I did get in, it was even harder getting out again. I have to admit it gets a trifle embarrassing having to attract the Boss's attention from a window at grub time....

Actually, come to think of it, this woolly workshop business

might be a blessing in disguise. With the Missus coming and going all the time between house and workshop there should be plenty of chance for an agile chap to nip in and find himself a cosy spot near the heater. Provided I don't disgrace myself I could end up with the ideal winter residence. Hmmmm.....Interesting.... Watch this space....

Blimey, my tum's starting to rumble. Think I'll saunter along and see what the Boss is up to. A bit of purring, rubbing round the legs and other demeaning but necessary tactics should do the trick. I know he's been out shooting geese and with luck he'll give me an extra large helping. Those dratted dogs love goose too, unfortunately. They get really excited when they get a whiff of it. Hope there's enough to go round. The Boss isn't renowned as a Dead-Eye Dick and I'm not sure how many he's managed to zap in the filthy weather we had this morning.

Good job these daft birds are so tame. One of 'em gets bowled over and what happens? Do the rest of them make themselves

scarce? Do they scatter, zigzag, or even attack whoever's got the gun? Do they hell. Bird-brained lot, they are. Take it from me. I've heard 'em:

"Why have you suddenly fallen over, Eggbert? Tired of standing up were you dear? And what was that funny bang just now? A gun, did someone say? What's one of them, then? Really? Are you sure? Sounds a bit far-fetched to me chay".

"Strewth. What just whizzed past me, Mavis?"

"Mavis??"

"Mavis????????"

See what I mean? Bird-brained. But delicious....

Cheers Chays

Love

Baldrick

The United Kingdom

National Code Change 16 April 1995

PHONEDAY

Remember the U.K National Code Change takes place on Easter Sunday, 16 April.

All codes will have a **1** inserted as an additional digit preceding the existing code.

In five major cities there is a more complex change, both the code and number will change as follows:

Bristol:	272 xxxxxx	becomes	117 9xxxxxx
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Leicester:	533 xxxxxx	becomes	116 2xxxxxx
Nottingham:	602 xxxxxx	becomes	115 9xxxxxx
Sheffield:	742 xxxxxx	becomes	114 2xxxxxx

In addition the U.K will be changing their international dialling code from 010 to 00.

If further information is required, telephone Cable & Wireless on 22301.

AS I SEE IT by Gail steen

Looking back but not lingering

THAT fateful day, the 2nd of April of thirteen years ago is a day many of us will never forget.

Since then the anniversary of that day has never slipped by without memories. This year will be no different, the images etched on my mind then are as clear as if the events happened yesterday.

During the early hours of the morning I packed a small suitcase, in it was everything of importance, the rest became suddenly of no value at all. I had gathered together our passports, the infamous white cards, birth certificates and other family papers. A few pieces of jewellery, more of sentimental value than monetary; and photographs, I thought they would be our past because the Argentines were stealing our present and our future. Thankfully it all turned out differently to what I expected on that day.

I remember it was a rather nice day - weather wise, and in the afternoon despite numerous edicts from the Argentine Forces ordering us to stay in our homes and the ominous looking soldiers patrolling the streets, we ventured outside to sit in the garden. Watching (outwardly passive but with hidden impotent anger) the Argentine troops pour into our town. Staring unspoken defiance at the enemy soldiers. Not realising that our reaction was in a way, a rehearsal of the attitude we would adopt the following weeks; an attitude of passive resistance.

The emotions felt during that time come back almost unbidden, you have to put them from you, back into the private places of the mind, better off left in the past, because it is no a happy era in which to dwell or linger.

Looking back that period could be said to have become a time from which you pinpoint many things. Often you will hear or use the phrase 'before/after the conflict' when referring to events, and in a strange way we are now a stronger people, more aware of ourselves, stronger in our beliefs in our identity and in our own country.

That day I remember thinking how small our particular world had become, how the boundaries were literally our garden fences. Outside was like another country which looked familiar, but where the rules had all changed and our tiny world, our sense of self had been swallowed up by a totally alien power.

I often wonder with what feelings Argentines remember this anniversary? Pride? Embarrassment? Regret? I hope they remem-

ber as I do, with sadness, because if we can share sadness maybe there is hope for a future free of bitterness.

When I think of the future I wonder to what extent the boundaries of the Falkland Islands will stretch. Not in a geographical sense but in the economic and social. We seem to be reaching towards an unknown limit. Just how far can we go?

How far do we want to go?

I listened to the House of Commons Debate with mixed emotions, mainly positive but also with regret that such statements could not have been put so unanimously and positively twenty years ago. I also have to admit to a certain scepticism.

Is this growing respect for our wishes and aspirations purely selfless?

It will be interesting to see what transpires if, unlikely as it seems, oil is not found or is too difficult to extract economically.

In this materialistic world I doubt ethical values will ever take precedence over the monetary or the political, but I long to be proved wrong on that point.

Mr John Austin-Walker said he may be at variance with FIG on some issues. I think his views on oil exploration are very similar to those of many Falkland Islanders.

If development goes ahead there is the possibility we could lose some of the very things we so nearly lost in 1982 - our lifestyle, our unique freedom, our wildlife.

Despite the knowledge of that risk, reality tells us that exploration will take place, that regardless of dissenters and cautionary, or even proven theories on world pollution and climatic changes, nothing will stop it.

Sadly the voices of the environmentalists, the conservationist, the members of Greenpeace and other concerned bodies have a tough time penetrating the culture of greed prevalent in today's world.

We can only hope our Government make the right decisions and wanting too much does not spoil what we already have, the things we never fully appreciate until we lose them.

We may have adopted an attitude of passive resistance in 1982 but now we are steadily gaining confidence in our own voice and put up a strong vocal resistance to attempts by anyone to deny us the right to determine our own future.

Some people have said, 'a little people with too big a voice'. How can you ever have too big a voice? But the point is, is anybody listening?

The British parliamentarians certainly appear to be very receptive to our voice and from the reports we have heard so far about Janet and Graham's tour of Argentina, some people in that country are beginning to listen.

The fears that they would be annihilated by smart talking journalists and politicians and consistently misquoted by the media seems to have been proved wrong.

The next ABC conference will be in the UK this year and will be attended by Falkland councillors. The one following will logically be held in Argentina.

Will their attendance or non-attendance at that conference prove to be a test of the maturity of our councillors?

Will they keep up with this growing search for understanding and a way forward?

This Sunday the 2nd April I will look back and remember but I will not dwell or linger long. Rather I will look forward to the time

when Argentina has the maturity and courage to move forward from their proclaimed democracy to a democracy of the fullest sense. To the time when they give full recognition to our right to decide our own future.

Maybe President Menem will be in the Falkland Islands by the year 2000. Not as aggressor, oppressor, dictator or jingoistic conqueror but as our guest to celebrate the end of this dispute and the beginning of a mutually beneficial future.

I say to President Menem, remember the 2nd of April well, it is the anniversary of Galtieri's folly, do not let the Falkland Islands also become your folly.

Do not let your people look back with even more regret.

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Tenderers should submit their bids by 1630 on Friday, 7th April on the Tender Form in a sealed envelope, marked "Cleaning Service, Fisheries Department" to:

The Chairman of the Tender Board,
The Secretariat,
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STANLEY TRIUMPH AGAIN *by Patrick Watts*

IT WAS Jimmy Curtis 3 HMS Marlborough 1 following last Sunday's representative fixture played in strong winds and hail showers at the Community School ground, and although conditions were very much against good football, the teams served up a real corker of a game for the spectators.

Although kicking into the fierce wind in the 1st half, Stanley played some of their best football of the season, with the midfield quartet passing the ball to each other with considerable accuracy and in so doing frustrated the visitors.

Marlborough constantly overkicked but one shot that did find the target was kicked off the goal-line by defender William Goss. Eventually the Royal Naval team did get the goal for which they had long pressed, and Storey cracked the ball into the net after Stanley's debutant goalkeeper Douglas Clark had the misfortune to drop the ball. He later made several good saves to cancel out his earlier boob.

Stanley kicking with the wind in the 2nd half also found it difficult to control the ball, but captain Curtis and Gavin Clifton frequently caused panic in the

Marlborough defence with their strong runs. Curtis opened the scoring when he forced the ball over the line, despite appeals from the visiting defenders who insisted that the ball had been kicked clear.

A 10 minute break was requested by the referee after a snow squall engulfed the pitch and when play resumed Stanley soon took the lead when Gavin Clifton was brought down inside the penalty area having broken clear of the Marlborough defence.

Jimmy Curtis safely struck home the penalty kick and then just before the final whistle the partnership enjoyed further success when Clifton's long throw was deflected neatly by Curtis past a static Naval goal-keeper, to make the final score Stanley 3 HMS Marlborough 1.

It was an excellent allround display by the local side with Curtis and Clifton outstanding, and Colin Buckland showing considerable potential once again.

STANLEY: D Clarke, W Goss, C Jaffray, S Jennings, S Jaffray, J Curtis capt, E Cofre, C Buckland, P Phillips, G Clifton, K Clarke. SUBS: Chris Clarke, R Miranda.

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A hillside outside Jerusalem.

An afternoon in darkness.

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Jesus Christ, Son of God, nailed to a cross, taking upon himself the sins of the whole world, and opening the way for us to receive of God's love.

The bible says, "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5v8)

Now we can come to God as we are, so that He can give us all that he is.

He gave, that we might have.

That is love.

Thank you Jesus

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Arthur's epic from Lafonia to Rincon Grande with 7,000 sheep

ARTHUR TURNER and a number of helpers brought 7000 sheep to Rincon Grande in the North Camp in a drove that began at North Ann. The flock did not actually become 7000 until it reached Swan Inlet, where other sheep were added. A total of 130 miles is thought to have been covered, using motorbikes, rovers and horses.

Arthur had expert help from Sam Sinclair and his dogs for the whole drove. Other helpers were Oscar Velasquez, Chris May, Gary McGill, Mel Lloyd, Ron and Diana Turner (who own Rincon Grande)

Surprisingly enough, difficulties encountered were mainly mechanical involving problems with bikes, rovers and trailers and not with the sheep. Whereas a bogging or a chain breaking on a bike might be a trivial problem normally, when you have to solve the problem whilst instructing your dogs to control thousands of sheep the result can be fairly stressful, Arthur assures us.



7,000 sheep: crossing a bridge: an insomniacs heaven

Photo by Robin Lee

Secure independence the ultimate goal - officially

THIS week the Falkland Islands Government publicly released a 30 page document with the somewhat unwieldy title, "Policy Recommendations for Any Future British Government."

Prepared by our elected councillors and FIG officials, it is believed to bear a strong resemblance to the document that the Chief Executive took to the Labour Party in Britain a few weeks ago and was produced, according to Mr Gurr, speaking on FIBS this week, "in response to many questions."

Despite the length of its title, the document, which is in 19 sections, gives a very concise account of the past, the present and the hoped-for future of the Falkland Islands; a future whose ultimate goal is described in the Executive Summary as "Secure Independence", though, it adds, "It is anticipated that this will be a very gradual process."

In the course of the document, many erroneous, but nevertheless strongly held preconceptions

about the Islands are neatly exploded.

After a brief **Introduction**, the next two sections, **Historical Perspective** and **The Argentine Claim** deal succinctly with the history of the islands, with particular reference to the Argentine sovereignty claim, which is robustly challenged and includes the following quotation from the Argentine Foreign Minister's adviser, Carlos Escude, written in 1992:

"The Argentine claim in 1833, derived from the supposed 'inheritance' of Spain, is then much more relative than the typical Argentine with university education believes"

The next two sections are entitled:

Shackleton Reports and the Impact of the Conflict and Economic Development 1982 - 1994.

Paragraph 5.3 in the latter section demonstrates the up-beat tone of the document, while again debunking a persistent myth.

"In some circles, there is an idea that the Falkland Islands are somehow naturally economically dependent upon Argentina and that there is a sense in which we need their friendship and trading co-operation to survive. At present, and into the foreseeable future, we are able to manage a healthy and growing economy by our own increasing self-sufficiency and the frequent use of the excellent trading links we have with Britain, Chile, Spain, Portugal, France, Italy, Germany, U.S.A., China, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Russia, Poland, and many others.

Our external contact capability is superb. We have the highest ownership of FAX machines per head of population in the world, and the intense "Britishness" of our culture provides a tangible degree of commercial equity and acceptability that some feel is uncommon in this part of the world."

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Governor visits South Georgia

H.E. THE GOVERNOR, Mr David Tatham, left the Islands on Tuesday April 4, for an official visit to South Georgia.

The Governor is expected to return to the Islands on April 14 and during his absence, the Chief Executive, Mr Andrew Gurr will serve as Acting Governor

Police investigate seaman's death

THE ROYAL Falkland Islands Police are investigating the death in suspicious circumstances of a Chinese seaman on board the An Yang 71.

The incident which led to the seaman's death is believed to have occurred well outside Falklands territorial waters and the vessel is not expected to reach Stanley until the afternoon of April 8.

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CONGRATULATIONS to all those sharp-eyed folk last week, who spotted that our front page article on the stranded sperm whale was not exactly kosher and rang up to offer me boxes of whales' teeth and other related items. To the considerably greater number of people who disregarded the odd clue in the piece (eg. Watawapa Atoll or the fact that Vostok Base is 1000 miles inland) and braved the mud on Cape Pembroke, let me express the hope that you enjoyed your outing and suggest that you take heart from the fact that it is going to be a year or two before our publication date is April 1st again. By that time both I and the member of the Media Trust who actually wrote the story so convincingly may have grown up.

I walked down to Christina Bay myself on Saturday afternoon with the dog and had a thoroughly enjoyable time, though by the time I reached there, I had almost convinced myself that by some strange quirk of fate, there might actually be a whale and, in consequence, shared some of your disappointment when there was not.

As a race we humans seem fascinated most by those animals which we resemble physically, like chimpanzees, gorillas and orang-utans, but the more we learn of them, the more the conviction grows that it is whales, which, despite their huge size and the alien environment in which they live, resemble us most of all in the things that really matter: feeling, intelligence and the ability to communicate.

On Monday, I discovered that fiction appeared to be imitating reality, when I received a telephone call from Mike Butcher (who has single-handedly done so much to raise our consciousness on the subject of whales in the Falklands) to say that he was currently arranging the transportation of a whole whale skeleton from Bleaker Island to add to his outdoor whaling museum. If he was not pulling my leg, then we will be providing some coverage of this event when it happens.

WHILE pursuing the possibility of perpetrating an April Fool's joke on the population, I began to think for a while that I had already been beaten to it by the Governor, in his summary of the Executive Council meeting, when he stated with regard to the new site for the National Stud Flock:

"It was agreed to accept the offer of Camp at Saladero, which Falklands Landholdings had made".

By an eery coincidence, I first read these words shortly after talking to three members of the FLH Board, one of them a councillor, who had been assuring me how strongly and solidly they and the other members had opposed the making of just such an offer. So adamant were they about the solidity of opposition to this move that they were expecting that FIG would have no option but to dissolve the FLH Board if it wished to get its way. (Just in case they were suffering from some form of collective amnesia, I showed the report to a concerned member of the Agricultural Department, who also expressed amazement and disbelief.)

Clearly, given the fact that the Governor's report was short and yet the meeting was very long, either this was an early April 1 prank on the part of ExCo, which it had taken them some time to agree on, or there were discussions on the way to this final statement, about which it was thought best that the public, the members of the FLH Board and, for all I know, the Agricultural Department, should remain ignorant.

Any hopes that all would become plainer later in the week during the session of LegCo were soon dashed. For reasons which were never made particularly clear, some of the councillors felt that they were unable to say anything about the stud flock site, when speaking to the motion for adjournment, although they hinted they would like to. Cllr Goss, currently farm manager at North Arm for FLH, but a former manager of Goose Green and a member of the FLH Board had no such inhibitions. He voiced his opposition to the use of the Brenton Loch/Saladero site in vigorous terms, referring to it as the "spleen" of Goose Green. Despite this evidence of continuing FLH Board opposition to the use of Brenton Loch/Saladero for the stud flock, the Chief Executive, who as Chairman of the FLH Board should have known what had been decided, had reported earlier that "Falklands Landholdings had combatively agreed to provide land" in the Brenton Loch area. (I am told that members of the Board dusted off their dictionaries in search of enlightenment to no avail. - not only were they apparently agreeing to something they disagreed with, but, worse, they were now doing it in a way that they didn't understand!)

At the end of the day it would appear that when the FLH Board thought they were saying "no" to FIG, they were actually saying "yes". Once this simple fact had been pointed out to them, the majority, who had perhaps begun to feel very confused, immediately felt somewhat reassured and said "yes" again next time they met, perhaps confident that by this time that they had now got the hang of things and were really saying "no".

It seems they were wrong! Am I right?

More potential penfriends from the Penguin News files

Ghana The following two Ghanaians offer a "humble application" for pen-friendship in our 'lovely country':
Miss Theresa Cann-Bentil, age 30 yrs, Address: P.O.Box 1238 Amcen Hill, Cape Coast, Ghana W.A. Her hobbies are travelling and cooking and she is interested in a relationship.
Mr Emmanuel Cann-Bentil, age 27 yrs, Address P.O.Box 1238 Cape Coast, Ghana W.A. His hobbies are watching football, travelling and letter writing.

New Zealand Ginny Miezenbeck is a 53 year old widow. She works for a Photographic Retail and Importing firm and her interests are reading, gardening, walking and music. She recently helped her brother build a 3 bedroomed pole house. This is now her holiday house in Central Otago. Ginny also does some home computer work for others and in 1993 produced her first family cookery book.
Mrs Ginny Miezenbeck, 50 Carnarvon St, Invercargill, New Zealand

France Serge Romagnan age 35 writes from the South of France. He is a legal adviser for the Health Ministry. His interests include collecting postcards, stamps, phonecards, coins and banknotes. He also enjoys reading, music, films, sports, travelling, films, corresponding and languages. Serge speaks French and English and can write in Spanish Italian and Russian. Serge promises to reply to all letters with politeness and courteousness.
Mr Serge Romagnan, Residence "Les Tulipes", 94 Avenue Raoul Dufy, 06200 Nice, France

England Mr J Bennet age 58 years, wishes to make contact with prospective penfriends with an interest in stamp collecting, book collecting and horticulture (plain gardening).
Mr J Bennet, 153 Nevendon Road, Wickford, Essex, SS12 ONL, UK

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Viv retires after 25 years with the FIC

Open Learning a reality for '96



Terry and Viv caught snogging at the Goose

ON FRIDAY, March 31 friends and work colleagues of Viv Perkins gathered at the Upland Goose Hotel to celebrate her retirement from the Falkland Islands Company after 25 years of loyal service.

Viv first came to the Islands in the 60's with Rock & Alluvium who were doing work at the Naval Fuel Depot.

After completion of her contract Viv went back to Gloucestershire however, in 1969 returned to the Islands to work for the Company. All her working life with the Company has been in the Accounts Department.

Terry Spruce presented Viv with gifts from the Company and its employees and a toast was drunk wishing her a long and happy retirement.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are invited to fill a vacancy in the Education Department for a Resident Houseparent at Stanley House, commencing as soon as possible.

The Houseparent is responsible for the welfare of the children living in the Hostel, particularly the older boys, and because of this preference will be given to male candidates. The Houseparent will also be expected to become fully involved in the activities of the Hostel and to supervise and encourage a variety of extra-curricular activities.

Applicants must have a keen interest in working with children and the ability and willingness to drive Department vehicles and take the children camping, etc. Previous experience with children is most important and any qualifications in child development and outdoor pursuits would be an advantage.

Further details of this post may be obtained from the Head of Hostel, Mrs Lorraine McGill on telephone number of 21374. The salary attaching to the post is in Grade G3 which ranges from £10,908 to £12,900 per annum.

Application forms and job descriptions for this position can be obtained from the Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat no later than 4.30pm on Monday 13th March 1995.

THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT are very pleased to report that Open University courses will be available to Falkland Islanders from January 1996. After a number of years of discussion the Open University have now agreed to the Falkland Islands becoming a centre for their distance learning correspondence courses.

There are a wide range of courses and study packs in a multitude of subjects that will be of interest locally but some science and technology courses may not be available initially due to the requirement for hazardous materials that cannot easily be dispatched by post. Attendance at annual summer schools is a requirement on some of the longer courses and students may need to

have access to a computer and a fax in order to communicate with their tutor in Britain.

The Open University require a UK forwarding address and FIGO has kindly agreed to provide this service.

The enrolment and details of courses will be available from the Community Education Officer, Phil Middleton, at the Community School.

It is planned that the first students will enrol in October/November this year to start their courses in early 1996. The department is grateful for the advice of the Joint Education Centre staff at MPA who administer OU courses for servicemen and plan to work closely with the centre in future months.

This time there really is a whale honest!



Bob Hancox with the whale when originally washed up.

IN an operation that must be unique in the Falklands, Mike Butcher has just organised the first stage of recovering a whole whale carcass.

This particular whale, a Sei or Sin of around 45ft, was first seen dead on the beach at Bull Point, North Arm at the end of December, but later drifted out to sea again.

Two months later it turned up at Bleaker Island some 12 miles from Bull Point. Mike was alerted of its arrival by Findlay, who later gave warning that it was beginning to break up. Last week a party went out from Stanley and with generous

help from Findlay, all of the 90 odd bones were shifted out of the kelp and shingle and up onto the grass.

Gatherers Mike Bingham and Rob Yssel thought it was a very fine specimen for display.

At the end of the day several important bones were still missing but were found by Findlay, several days later, during a very low tide.

Byron Marine have generously agreed to shift the carcass, plus a 7ft tongue free of charge next time MV Tamar is around that way.



Mike Bingham with the complete skeleton on Bleaker

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Thursday's LegCo Adjournment Speeches

COUNCILLOR EDWARDS paid particular attention to the concept of the proposed new abattoir. She stated that although not against the idea of a new building she had reservations about using EC money. Cllr Edwards added "once you accept EC money then you have EC regulations".

She commented that having seen the regulations in the Northern Hemisphere "quite frankly they frighten me".

Cllr Edwards felt uneasy regarding the meat trade, she had wanted the report to go to all farmers, but was told it was too costly. She felt that as farmers have to provide trade for this abattoir they should have seen a report.

Councillor Goss commented firstly on the purchase of Nut Cartmell's stamp collection and then went on to speak of the Stud Flock. Cllr Goss reminded the meeting that he had wished for the flock to go to Swan Inlet as opposed to Saladero and Brenton Loch. The latter he expected to be more costly.

The Abattoir he felt should be located in the camp, where it would generate work and encourage bigger communities, preferably Lafonia.

Councillor Teggart felt strongly about the Mt. Pleasant Airport Road. She was relieved that now a considerable amount of money had been allocated for resurfacing.

With regard to the Cartmell Stamp Collection, Cllr Teggart pointed out that her belief that FIG should not buy the collection was motivated by the thought that it would simply be locked away and not used for any purpose. She was annoyed that it was suggested that if FIG had not bought it then this would have been the sole reason for the collection having to leave the Falklands. Cllr Teggart was delighted that the National Trust had bought it.

Mrs Teggart referred to the matter of Marine Alan Addis; stating that she hoped it would be resolved as soon as possible in one way or another.

Councillor Stevens spoke chiefly on the matter of the National Stud Flock. He accepted that confidence in the concept was low however urged farmers to look where it had been successful. He hoped that confidence could be built up in the future with a main land farm.

Cllr Stevens sympathised with the feelings of farmers on the West and felt that the Stud Flock Committee should consider the statistical problem of having a sale on the West.

Regarding the abattoir he had mixed feelings. He felt that there was great interest from farmers with excess sheep; however said that many farmers did not have

excess sheep and had to rely on other farms to buy in sheep. The abattoir may end this option. He suggested support for dry farms, breeding units perfecting wool production in the Islands; a scheme beneficial to all farms.

On the subject of cattle breeding he felt that no breed could mature in 2 years and the cost of supplementary feeding would be enormous.

Cllr Stevens also stated that the long term future of Landholdings must be considered by Councillors. The Board he felt must be made up of people who see landholdings as part of the whole of the agricultural scene in the Falklands and respond to the changing needs. A stable population in camp was a must and we should not yet be looking overseas to fill the gaps; the Islands could provide. He also pointed out that the idea of owner occupiers worked well noting Green Patch as an example of success.

Cllr Stevens referred briefly to local radio broadcasting. He felt FM medium wave was a great improvement however not everyone had the choice of one or other frequency.

Councillor Halford referred briefly to a number of subjects including the stamp collection which she agreed with Cllr Teggart was rightly bought by the National Trust and not FIG.

Regarding Minefields, she pointed out that fences were not high enough to prevent livestock from entering the prohibited areas; this problem needed to be addressed by EOD.

Cllr Halford congratulated those involved in cleaning up Hadassa Bay and noted that there were many other areas that could do with the same treatment, including Stanley Common. She also felt the rubbish tips around Cape Pembroke should be buried or removed.

Councillor Cheek reminded the meeting that when suggesting that FIG should buy the stamps, he had intended that they could possibly have been a nucleus for a larger stamp display.

On the subject of parking he asked that staff of Post Office use parking behind the Post Office so that the public can use parking outside; this he felt would be particularly useful for the elderly. He also felt that the reclamation of land by the Public Jetty could also be used for parking especially for PWD.

With regard to speed limits Cllr Cheek mentioned that in the past he had suggested 25mph for the speed limit as opposed to 30mph as sophisticated gadgets were not available to accurately measure speed. Thus a lower limit would make things easier for the Police. Now he felt it was appropriate to

change the limit to the originally intended 30mph. He also thought the MPA speed limit could be changed to 50mph.

Regarding fishing he commented that Loligo catches were high and some thought should be given to the effects of this on prices and companies. Illex catches had dropped and this also should be considered for the effects it may have on those who had bought licences.

Councillor Luxton proposed that radio and gun licences should become one off payments as with driving licences.

He also felt that the cost of medical flights were presently very high. For camp patients he proposed there could be a maximum amount to be paid per year i.e. a tap on the total cost.

Road building in the camp he felt had gone well, but on the West he thought instead of 3 years the team should be budgeted to finish next year.

Cllr Luxton disagreed with other Councillors over Stabex money and the abattoir. He did not believe that the EEC would have any control over that abattoir despite having provided funds for it. This he said had not happened when money had been provided for roads and jetties. He also felt it may be to the Islands advantage that we kill to EEC standards.

Councillor Birmingham asked that Government tenants who had been kept waiting for 2 years in the belief that they would be able to purchase their Government property, should be told one way or the other whether they could do so or not.

He also hoped there would be some results of the Pensions review soon.

Regarding the abattoir he stated that "I don't know if I can support the building of an abattoir to EC standards if we don't know yet if we have to run it to EC standards". He felt that not only did the Islands not know if English ports would accept the meat but there was a lack of information on the subject in general. He was also afraid that having started the project there may come a clamp down on meat coming from camp as it may be considered not being killed to the correct standards.

Mr Birmingham noted that Mr Wallace who had been looking at our constitution had suggested more LegCo sessions, that is, more debate in front of the Public.

He also briefly referred to the SEP gang saying it could do better for the want of a leader.

Regarding speed limits Cllr Birmingham felt that the MPA road once resurfaced could have a higher speed limit however Stanley should keep a limit of 25mph because of its narrow roads and excess traffic.

The Commander of British Forces Falkland Islands agreed that the MPA road should be resurfaced and this would put his mind at ease. However he was not happy that Cllr Cheek wanted a 50 mph limit.

He informed Cllr Halford that he would look into the subject of Mine Field fences.

The CBFFI thanked FIG for the donation of two new married quarters, which he knew would be of great value to them.

He also informed the meeting that he had sent a message to Captain Phillips of the Endurance expressing sympathy over the recent tragic death of his daughter.

Regarding the RIC he described them as having settled in well to Falkland life. He added that if they were called upon to resist Argentine aggression in the Falklands they would acquit themselves in the finest traditions of the British Army.

Finally the Chief Executive spoke on a number of issues.

On the subject of EC money he felt certain that there was no linkage between using this money and regulations thereafter.

Commenting on Councillor Stevens speech he agreed that many farmers were cynical as many attempts in the past had been unsuccessful. However he felt that we could only improve the confidence level by proving the whole project could work and is worthy of support. He added that "We will have a plan and that plan will be approved by Councillors and we will do our level best to monitor it, and to adhere to it".

On the subject of Falklands Land Holdings he felt that this was a debate about to start. The Chief Executive said that he had been talking to and noting the views of many, for a report for public debate. A report would be in the public domain in about one month, having been examined by the specialist groups to whom it would be distributed.

Mr Gurr added that oil if found, may eventually run out and squid stocks were volatile, he felt that there was a very real sense that land must provide a stable and long term future for the Islands.

Regarding speed limits he said that it was recently declined that a change should be made to the 25mph limit in Stanley. However once the MPA road was resurfaced 50mph would be safe for that road.

With reference to the abattoir, he felt that the existing one was on its last legs. Stabex meant largely that a new one would be free. He felt it gave an option to export if the Islands would wish to. Market research he said was not expensive and would be done. However at the present, sale to MPA was the most attractive option.

The new all-volunteer RIC show their quality on Exercise Commando Challenge

RIC: A force to be reckoned with!

OVER the years since 1982, Falklands residents have welcomed many units of the British Forces to these shores. Some specialised units, such as the Royal Engineers EOD squadrons, RFA crews and the RAF Air Defence "Mountain Men" have been here so frequently that many of their members have become old friends, but, on the whole, the majority arrive, do their jobs and leave without impinging over-much on the consciousness of the civilian population.

Usually, this is particularly true of which ever regiment is providing the Resident Infantry Company (RIC) Highlanders, Fusiliers, Royal Irish, Guards or Ghurkas, their different characteristics, personalities and ways of doing things are probably only likely to be known and remembered by the people in the Camp, with whom they may have come into contact on patrol. In Stanley, the difference between one group and another is hardly perceptible except as a matter of different head gear and regional accents. All this may change with the new RIC.

Cap badge spotters are likely to be particularly confused by the new RIC, 214 officers and soldiers, who sport between them 22 different cap badges and are drawn from 28 different units. That is not the only difference from their predecessors as the new RIC, all volunteers, are drawn not from the Regular Army, but, principally, from the Wales and Western District of the Territorial Army, though there are also some elements from 14(NE) Brigade and London TA.

The Company is made up of four rifle platoons, one support platoon and a Company HQ element and represents Phase 2 of the trial of composite groups of TA fulfilling regular army operational roles, which was begun in a small way with the deployment of some Irish TA soldiers together with regulars when the Royal Irish Regiment were providing the RIC at MPA last year.

While a percentage of this volunteer force were unemployed and perhaps see service in the Falklands as offering away in to the regular army, the majority have taken leave from jobs and businesses to be here and all are keen to make the most of this opportunity to prove the worth of the Britain's Territorial forces. On the strength of their performance in the Commando Challenge, they are, indeed, a force to be reckoned with. What follows is their own report of that event.

THIRTEEN YEARS after the Falklands conflict, the FIDF organised a competition to commemorate the incredible yomp by 45 Commando from Port San Carlos to Stanley. The competition was to be staged over 3 days with a Commando task to be done on each day.

Support Platoon of the RIC found out about the competition only seventeen days before the event and with their usual bravado and competence duly volunteered themselves as the best candidates to try to win this challenge and thereby place the Wales and Western District RIC firmly on the map.

Although only an 8 man team was required, a squad of 14 was chosen to start hasty preparation and final selection. Thursday 16th March saw the first major hurdle, a tab ('para' for 'speed march') from Goose Green to MPA. This first tab was completed by all of the squad in eight hours, but not without various back and foot problems which meant that the squad was reduced to eleven.

The next few days saw various training sessions in the gymnasium and swimming pool before tabbing out to Onion Range on 22nd March. Again the squad was to lose another casualty in the form of LCpl Palmer who was 'casevaced' back to MPA on the 23rd March.

A day was spent on Onion Range in an attempt to get the squad ready for the Section Attack, Command Task and the Falling Plate Shoot. The squad returned from Onion Range on the 24th March and after a

foot inspection the team had been naturally selected as we were down to the 8 man requirement!

The final few days were spent on training at MPA along with maximum rest and a lot of 'carbo loading' in the form of Pasta.

Thursday 30th March saw the team fly out to Port San Carlos ready

for the start the following day. The RIC team approach Estancia Farm. Photo Major B. Summers



problem. This means that the team had to make up a 60 minute penalty each day to get on even 'footing' with the other full teams.

As the day progressed Cpl Wilson was becoming more disliked, as he continued to push everyone faster and was obviously not suffering which made it even worse.

The first Command Task, which was a River Crossing was easily managed in a time of 11 minutes which ensured first place and a maximum 100 points.

A few hours later saw the team arrive at Teal Inlet for the night's rest and patching up of the feet.

They had covered 65km in 11 hours 12 minutes and were in first place so they gained the opportunity to choose their start time on day two. The day had also taken its toll on the other competitors and of the 6 teams that started only 4 now remained after FIDF and JSPSU had pulled out due to casualties. Only JCUFI still had a full team.

The next day saw the team elect to start third and very soon they had passed the JCUFI team, before passing the FI FD Sqn at about mid day.

The Command Task for the day was a Section Attack using the 66mm and L2 Grenade which proved embarrassing for LCpl McCormack who missed the target with the 66mm. This event proved to be difficult The



HMS Leeds Castle team pass the Liberation monument Photo Norman Clark with only Leeds Castle achieving a hit and thus proving the Navy can competently take on the Army. The task was won by Leeds Castle followed by the RIC.

The afternoon saw the team continue on down to Estancia House where they were to stay the night and, as on the previous day, patch up their feet. Cpl Dougan had some swift surgery for about 40 minutes before being patched up.

At the end of day 2, the RIC team was still in first place but with only a seven minute advantage from Leeds Castle, which pointed to the fact that they looked like our main threat. The next day was, therefore, to be tackled with great pace and grimacing.

The Command Task on Day 3 was cancelled and it was therefore a continuous tab from Estancia House to Stanley. The RIC started out second and again soon passed JCUFI with only the clock to beat and not knowing what Leeds Castle were doing.

As Stanley got ever nearer the pace was picked up again and the singing was orchestrated by LCpl McCormack. With the finish line in sight at Rookery Bay Range the team

doubled in for the last few hundred metres and anxiously awaited the arrival of the other teams.

The final Command Task was the Falling Plates Shoot. These were all knocked down in 27 seconds, with the assistance of Cpl McKendrick who had rejoined the team at Rookery Bay.

Leeds Castle came second in the Falling Plates and so it was all down to the timings. After calculations it was confirmed that the RIC team had won with an incredible lead having opened up from the 7 minute starting point to 1 hour 22 minutes ahead at the finish. Overall the team had moved from Port San Carlos to Stanley in 22 hours 42 minutes and out of a possible HPS of 900 had accumulated 890!

The HMS Leeds Castle team came second with 830 points and really put in a very good performance considering the usual role of their troops.

JCUFI came third with the FI FD Sqn finishing in fourth.

Having won this competition the RIC have well and truly arrived in the Falklands and laid down the standard for others to follow.



Cpl Dougan of the RIC samples FIDF Capt. Clarke's bedside manner in the KEMH



The winning team, minus Cpl Dougan, in the FIDF Drill Hall: Photo Clarke

Penguin News



Information Pullout



APRIL 8 - APRIL 14

CHURCH SERVICES

CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY: 8am Holy Communion, 10am Family Communion (first Sunday every month - Family Service) 7pm Evening Prayer

TABERNACLE - free church

Thursday: from 7.30pm Open House at 5 Drury St.

Saturday: 4pm, Prayer meeting, Sunday meetings: 10am (with childrens group) and 7pm. **ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm**

ST. MARY'S

SUNDAY: 10am, Week days: 9am

ST. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

SUNDAY 7pm
MONDAY MORNINGS 6.30am

BAHA' FAITH

Fridays, 8pm - Informal discussion for inquirers - at No 1 Davis Street East, Tel: 21279

TIDES AROUND THE ISLANDS

The times and heights of high and low tides (in metres) at Stanley. Time given is Stanley time.

For Camp, make the following changes:

	APRIL				
	8	0516	0.7	12	2056 0.7
Fox Bay +1hr 30m				WED	0923 0.5
Roy Cove +3 hrs 30m	SAT	1208	1.2		1550 1.4
Port Howard +2hrs 19m		1638	0.9		2134 0.6
Teal Inlet +2hrs 30m		2311	1.3		
Sea Lion Is. +15m	9	0646	0.7	13	09350 1.5
Port Stephens	SUN	1322	1.2	THR	0958 0.5
+2hrs 15m		1844	0.9		1621 1.5
Hill Cove +3hrs					2211 0.4
Berkeley Sound + 11m	10	0044	1.3	14	0434 1.6
Port San Carlos	MON	0755	0.6	FRI	1034 0.4
+ 1hr 55m		1430	1.2		1653 1.6
Darwin Harbour -4m		2009	0.8		2249 0.3
	11	0203	1.3		
	TUE	0844	0.6		
		1515	1.3		

LIBRARY

Wednesday:
9am - 12/2.30pm 5.30pm
Monday/Tuesday/Thursday:
9am - 12/1.30pm-5.30pm
Friday: 3pm-6pm
Saturday: 1.45pm-5pm

HOSPITAL PHARMACY

Mornings 10am 12 noon

Monday/Thursday

2.30pm - 4.30pm

Wednesday

1.30 - 3.30pm

Tuesday/Friday

3.00pm - 5.00pm

MUSEUM

Tuesday - Friday

1030 - 12 noon/2.00 - 4.00pm

Sunday

10.00 - 12 noon

TREASURY

Monday - Friday

8am - 12 noon/1.15 - 3.00pm

CLUBS AND CONTACTS

BADMINTON CLUB

Mondays/ Thursdays 7-9pm
Leeann Eynon, Tel:21839 or
Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

RUGBY CLUB

Gavin Clifton, Tel 21170

SQUASH CLUB

Thursdays 5-9pm Contact Shaun

Williams, Tel21744 or Dik Sawle
Tel 21414

NETBALL CLUB

Tuesdays 6-8pm, Sundays 10am
to midday, Friday circuit training
6-7pm *All are welcome*
Contact Marilyn Hall, 21538

FLPISTOL CLUB

New members welcome Contact
Graham Didlick 21622 or Bob
Abernethy 21508.

FLMOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION

Race meetings advertised. New
members welcome
Contact Hamish Wylie 22681
YMCA

Accommodation available
Contact Terry Peck 21074
E.I. RIELE ASSOCIATION
Contact Secretary G Cheek, 21402.

ASTHMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets every second Tuesday of
the month in Day Centre at 5.00pm

FALKLAND ISLANDS RED CROSS ASSOCIATION

New members welcome. Contact
Alison Hewitt, 21851

GUILD OF SPINNERS, WEAVERS & HANDICRAFTS

Meetings on Mondays at 7.30pm,
Thursdays 1.30pm. Contact Marj
McPhee, tel: 21106

CANCER SUPPORT & AWARENESS TRUST

Contact Shiralee Collins,
21597, Sister Bridie 22086, Derek
Howatt 21385

STANLEY FOLK CLUB

Meets fortnightly in Globe Contact
Liz (21765) or Alan (21019)

FALKLAND ISLANDS DIABETIC ASSOCIATION

Meets first Thursday of every
month. 7.30pm in the Day Centre

STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB

Contact D. Humphries Tel. 22028
Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm,
Saturdays 9-10

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB

Contact David McLeod Phone:
20836 (day), 20843 (home)

Leisure Centre - Term Time

	Sports Hall	Squash Courts	Swimming Pool
Mon	10.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	10.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	10.00-11.30am (Parent/Toddler) 12.00-1.00pm (Adults) 5.00-7.00pm (Public) 7.00-8.00pm (Adults)
Tues	12.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	12.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	12.00-1.00pm (Adults) 5.00-7.00pm (Public) 7.00-8.00pm (Ladies)
Wed	9.00-10.00am 11.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	9.00-10.00am 11.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	12.00-1.00pm (Adults) 5.00-7.00pm (Public)
Thurs	9.00-10.00am (P/T) 11.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	9.00-10.00am 11.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	7.00-8.00pm (Adults) 5.00-8.00pm (Adults)
Fri	12.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	12.00-1.00pm 5.00-9.00pm	12.00-1.00pm (Adults) 4.00-6.00pm (Public) 6.00-8.00pm (Private Hire)
Sat	9.00-5.00pm	9.00-5.00pm	9.00-4.00pm (Public) 4.00-5.00pm (Adults)
Sun	10.00-6.00pm	10.00-6.00pm	10.00-5.00pm (Adults) 5.00-6.00pm (Adults)

Your SSVC Television programmes

Saturday April 8

10.10 Robinson Sucroe
 10.35 What's Up Doc?
 12.40 Jackanory
 12.55 Top Of The Pops
 1.25 Grandstand Rugby League-Silk Cut Challenge Cup semi-finals: Athletics action from the world crosscountry Championship in Durham; Racing from Newbury and Football Focus.
 6.25 Cartoon Time
 6.35 Big Break
 7.05 Barrymore
 8.00 Noel's House Party
 8.50 Casualty A surfing beach is turned into a battleground after chemical waste is dumped in the sea; receptionist Matt Hawley is attacked by the people against whom he gave evidence during Ash's trial; and Bas Hayes tries to patch things up with Charlie who somewhat churlishly announces: "Whenever I see you, I think of being very unhappy ..."
 9.40 Natural Born footballers, tonight Denis Law
 9.55 Film: Pink Cadillac (1989)- Action comedy starring Clint Eastwood. Tommy Nowak's job of tracking down escaped criminals and bail jumpers leads him into some odd situations, but his life takes an even stranger turn when he's hired to find a young woman with an eight-month-old baby.
 11.35 The Best Of The Tube

Sunday April 9

10.20 The New Adventures of He-Man
 10.45 The O-Zone
 11.20 Incredible Games
 11.25 Songs of Praise
 12.00 For Teachers
 12.30 Scene Here
 12.55 Telly Addicts
 1.25 The ITV Chart Show
 2.15 Cartoon Time
 2.40 Brookside
 3.50 The Sunday Match Luton v Watford
 6.30 Crimeline
 6.40 The Simpsons
 7.00 Steven Spielberg's Amazing Stories: The Greibble
 7.25 Eastenders Gita spends a hard day working on the stall, but is not too tired to put a romantic proposition to Sanjay.
 7.55 A Touch of Frost
 9.35 Travel Show Cuts Beach Huts
 9.50 Chef
 10.20 Movie: Sleeping With The Enemy (1991)- Suspense thriller starring Julia Roberts. Laura deserts her violent husband, feigning death in order to start a new life elsewhere. She moves to a small town and falls in love with a drama teacher. But her husband finds out she's alive and determines to track her down.
 11.55 Grand Prix

Monday April 10

2.30 Take The High Road
 2.55 Film '95
 3.25 Countdown
 3.50 Children's SSVC: Wizardora
 4.00 Wolf It
 4.25 Mighty Max
 4.50 Fun House
 5.15 Grange Hill
 5.40 Home And Away Tug says a final farewell to Summer Bay.
 6.00 Blockbusters
 6.25 Wish You Were Here?
 6.55 The Brittas Empire
 7.25 Coronation Street It's action stations in the street with a life or death dash to hospital.
 7.50 The Bill
 8.15 FILM: The Goonies (1985)-Childrens adventure produced by Steven Spielberg. A gang of children nicknamed the Goonies, sets off from the small town of Astoria in search of treasure and comes across the hideout of a counterfeiting gang.
 10.00 Crimeline
 10.10 Network First: Hollywood Vice
 11.00 Rugby Special John Inverdale presents the programme from the prestigious Hong Kong Sevens, the 20th anniversary of this colourful event.

Tuesday April 11

2.30 Vanessa
 2.55 The Clothes Show
 3.25 Countdown
 3.50 Children's SSVC: The Magic House
 4.00 Bitsa (new)
 4.25 Round The Twist
 4.50 Blue Peter
 5.15 The Tomorrow People
 5.40 Home And Away Pippa finally forces her family to admit their dissatisfaction with the low-cholesterol diet.
 6.00 Blockbusters
 6.25 Emmerdale
 6.55 Scene Here
 7.25 Eastenders Debbie believes she has played a part in reconciling Sanjay and Gita.
 7.55 How Do They Do That?
 8.40 September Song (new) Russ Abbot and Michael Williams team up again as Ted Fenwick and Billy Balsam in a third series of this popular comedy/drama. Ted's at a loose end while Katherine, the love of his life, promotes her best-selling book, and he decides to visit Billy in Norfolk, where he's looking for work.
 9.05 Peak Practice (new) Return of this medical drama. Jack takes part in a dangerous bid to rescue schoolchildren trapped in a disused mine. Unfortunately, it coincides with the date of his first wedding anniversary.
 10.00 Clive James'; Postcard from Berlin
 10.40 Rab C Nesbitt
 11.20 The Endsleigh League Football Extra

Wednesday April 12

2.30 Scene Here
 2.55 That's Showbusiness
 3.25 Countdown
 3.50 Children's SSVC: Budgie The Little Helicopter
 4.05 ZZZap!
 4.25 Harry's Mad
 4.50 The Really Wild Show This week, a look at Arizona, USA.
 5.15 The Biz (new)
 5.40 Home And Away Jack's double booking with Selina and Sonia lands him in hot water.
 6.00 Blockbusters
 6.25 Catchphrase
 6.55 Brighton Belles (new) That Was No Lady-Return of Britain's answer to The Golden Girls.
 7.25 Coronation Street Diedre rushes to Tracey's hospital bedside.
 7.50 The Bill
 8.15 The Upper Hand
 8.40 World In Action
 9.05 The Buccaneers
 10.00 Cutting Edge: Cave Rescue
 10.50 Sportsnight Including England v Uruguay at Wembley; Russia v Scotland and Bulgaria v Wales in the European Cup qualifying ties.

Thursday April 13

2.30 Vanessa
 2.55 University Challenge
 3.25 Countdown
 3.50 Children's SSVC: Wizardora
 4.00 The Magic Adventures Of Mumfie
 4.15 Willy Fog-2
 4.40 Spacejets
 4.55 Art Attack
 5.15 Grange Hill
 5.40 Home And Away Jack's having the time of his life.
 6.00 Animal Country Wildlife series.
 6.25 Emmerdale
 6.55 This Is Your Life
 7.25 Eastenders Geoff and Michelle celebrate in the Queen Vic as they spread the news of their engagement around the Square.
 7.55 A Question of Sport
 8.25 Birds of a Feather
 8.55 One Foot in the Past
 9.05 Taggart: Prayer for the Dead (Part 2 of 3)
 10.00 The High Life (new) Highflying new comedy series. Life is certainly turbulent when you travel with the subversive Air Scotia crew ...
 10.35 Film: Bad Behaviour (1992) Comedy starring Stephen Rea and Sinead Cusack as an Irish couple living in North London trying to contend with family tensions and the scams of a dodgy property developer.

SSVC Television programmes (cont)

Friday April 14

2.30 Knot's Landing
 3.15 Travel Show Short Cuts
 3.25 Countdown
 3.50 Children's SSVC: Brum
 4.05 Reboot
 4.30 Blue Peter
 5.00 The Week On Newsround
 5.10 Little Lord Fauntleroy
 5.40 Home And Away Shane can't wait to see Jack get his comeup-pance.
 6.00 The Crystal Maze
 6.55 Scene Here
 7.25 Coronation Street It's dirty tricks time at Firmans as Reg and Curly face The Americans.
 7.50 The Bill
 8.15 The Private Life of Plants Natural History series in which David

Attenborough travels the world to explore the plant kingdom. Tonight, a look at the amazing variety of survival techniques employed by plants.
 9.05 Doctor Findlay
 10.00 Movie Premiere, Die Hard (1988) Action packed thriller starring Bruce Willis. A group of terrorists, lead by Alan Rickman, hijack a vast Los Angeles company building at Christmas, planning a heist of more than \$600 million.
 11.45 Fantasy Football Cult soccer series hosted by David Baddiel and Frank Skinner

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY April 1st

6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.30 Weather & Announcements
 7.45 Sports Roundup
 8.00 News Desk from the BBC
 8.30 '94 Aldeburgh Festival
 9.30 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY April 2nd

5.00 News: BFBS
 5.03 Music Fill
 5.35 The Archers
 6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
 6.45 Music Fill
 7.00 Church Service
 8.00 Sports Roundup
 8.15 The Folk Music Show
 9.30 Rpt weather & flights
 9.45 The trick of it
 10.00 News: BFBS

MONDAY April 3rd

10.03 Weather and Morning show
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers

5.18 Late Afternoon Show
 6.00 FI News Magazine
 6.30 At home with Hinge and Bracket
 7.00 The Arts Worldwide
 7.36 Weather, flights, announcements
 8.00 News Desk from the BBC
 8.30 Announcer's Choice
 9.30 Rpt weather, flights & News Magazine
 10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY April 4th

10.03 Weather & Morning Show
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements, BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Review of CD's of the week
 5.30 In Concert: Wet Wet Wet
 6.30 Calling the Falklands
 6.45 Folk Music Show
 7.30 News and Sport BFBS
 7.36 Weather, flights, announcements
 8.00 News Desk from the BBC
 8.30 Music Fill
 9.00 The senses: Touching
 9.30 Rpt weather and flights
 9.32 Country Crossroads
 10.00 News Desk BFBS

WEDNESDAY April 5th

10.03 Weather & Morning Show
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements, BFBS Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Late Afternoon Show
 6.00 FI News Magazine
 6.30 Music Fill
 7.00 Vilette by Charlotte Bronte
 7.30 News & Sport BFBS
 7.36 Weather, flights and announcements
 8.00 News Desk from the BBC
 8.30 Variations with Stephen Palmer
 9.30 Rpt Weather, Flights & News Magazine
 10.00 News from BFBS

THURSDAY April 6th

10.00 Weather and Morning Show
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements, BFBS Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Special Requests
 5.30 27th Cambridge Festival
 6.30 Kings Pt 2
 7.30 News and Sport BFBS
 7.36 Weather, flights, announce-

ments
 8.00 News Desk from the BBC
 8.30 Pot Luck
 9.30 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.32 Pot Luck cont.
 10.00 News BFBS

FRIDAY April 7th

10.03 Weather and Morning Show
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements, BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The Late Afternoon Show
 6.00 FI News Magazine
 6.30 Calling the Falklands
 7.00 Country Crossroads
 7.30 News & Sport BFBS
 7.36 Weather, flights, announcements
 8.00 News Desk from the BBC
 8.30 Announcer's Choice
 9.30 Rpt weather and flights
 9.32 Rpt FI News Magazine
 10.00 News from BFBS

AND OVER TO B.F.B.S.

SATURDAY

0003 Mark Tyley 0203 In Concert 0303 Story of Pop 0403 Activ-8 0603 Mark Page 0800 News and Papers 0810 Falklands Breakfast Show 0830 News and Sport 1003 Radio 5 Sport on MW (until 1500) 1003 Activ-8 with Russell Hurn 1203 Windsor's Weekend 1403 In concert 1503 Mark Page 1703 Rodigan's Rockers 1903 Steve Mason 2103 John Peel's Music 2203 Story Of Pop

SUNDAY

0003 Bob Harris 0303 Extra FM 0403 Windsor's Weekend 0603 Patrick Eade and Co 0815 Falklands Breakfast Show 0845 Bigwood 0903 News, sport and football results 1003 World This Weekend 1103 Extra FM 1203 BBC Radio 5 Sunday Sport 1503 Bob Harris 1803 Richard Nankivell 2003 Adrian John 2203 Roger Dentiith

MONDAY

0003 Patrick and Co. 0103 Bumfrey's Britain 0303 James Watt 0615 FI Breakfast Show 0650 Thought for the day 0700 News, Papers and Sport 0730 Football Results 0900 Newsplus 0915 Rory Higgins 1003 Bumfrey's Britain 1200 News 1210 FIBS announcements 1215 The Archers 1230 Falklands Afternoon Show 1445 Sports Roundup 1500 Main News Of The Day 1530 Counerpoint 1603 Richard Allinson 1703 BFBS Gold 1800 FIBS 2003 John Peel's Music 2203 Aidan Donovan

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F**AROUND THE F.I.C. THIS WEEK**

Homecare

Goods expected on the 'Anne Boye':

FURNITURE: Oval kitchen tables & stools, teak dining suites, folding stools, nests of tables, bookcases, pine corner shelving, corner units, shelves and towel rails and kitchen timber corner seating units.

SOFT FURNISHINGS: Oriental rugs & runners, chenille and tumbletwist rugs, doormats including Astroturf, carpet protector, plain chintz fabric, paper lampshades and a new range of fabric lampshades, towels and flannelette sheets.

ELECTRICAL: Autowashers, tumble driers, freezers, fridges, breadmakers, Kenwood appliances, slimline dishwashers, light fittings, table lamps, mini vacuum cleaners, telephones and answering machines, showers, hand washers and hair driers

GAS COOKERS: Eye level or slide-in models in White, Sable and Mink.

BEDS: King, Double and Single Divans.

HANDYMAN: Lathes, mini tube cutters, double ended power bit sets, economy paint brush sets, vehicle door mirrors, overalls, foot pumps, new shelf support system, cabinet components, draught excluder, sealants, car mats, kitchen units and worktops.

GENERAL: Building materials, kitchen equipment, pet products, wallpaper, anaglypta, crockery, cutlery plus many other items ...

☛ Hire purchase terms available on all purchases in excess of £100
[HP contracts are subject to FIC Department approval]

* Goods also expected for Foodhall, Gallery and Pastimes *
See next weeks ad for list



EASTER 1995

For Easter eggs, cards and that special gift
look around the FIC stores.
Something for everyone!



Happy Easter!

Blue bus goes free at Bonner's new Jet Wash



photo: J. Brock
John Birmingham washes down the blue bus at Stanley's latest facility for motorists, an automatic jet wash, installed by Paul Bonner on the Industrial Estate. Paul, who reckons the whole installation has cost £12,000, is going to let the Blue Bus and the CAPE bus go free. For the rest of us, the price of a shampoo, foam brush and rinse for our cars starts at only £1, from today.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Falkland Islands government has a vacancy for a Clerk in the Public Works Department.

Preference will be given to candidates who have previous clerical experience and who hold qualifications in word processing and a GCSE in English Language and Mathematics of Grade C or above. A pleasant manner when dealing with the general public is essential. The main duties of the post include: processing wages for the hourly paid staff, ordering stock, town hall bookings, typing and other office duties as required.

Salary is in Grade G0/1/2 which currently ranges from £6,516 per annum for a sixteen year old and rises by increments to £10,572 per annum at the top of G2.

Interested persons should contact the Chief Clerk, Public Works Department, Mrs Wylie, for further information. Application forms are available from the Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat by 4.30pm on Thursday 13th April 1995.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Falkland Islands Government seeks the services of a Farm Management Specialist to work in its Department of Agriculture. The Successful candidate will be responsible to the Head of Department for the development and management of an extension and economic research programme aimed at improving the productivity and cost efficiency of farming where the principal product is wool.

Candidates should possess a degree in Agriculture or Agricultural Economics plus a post graduate qualification in farm business management with at least 5 years relevant experience.

This post would suit a mature candidate able to communicate with a wide range of farmers and government officials at all levels. A sound practical outlook is required as is significant experience in sheep production systems.

The salary ranges from £19,260 to £22,032 per annum. Further details of the duties attached to this post can be obtained by contacting the Director of Agriculture. Application forms are available from the Secretariat and must be returned to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat no later than 4.30pm on Tuesday 18th April 1995/

HMG's Falklands Policy FIG's Recommendations (Continued from front page)

DESPITE the attempt to broaden the stated target of the Policy Recommendations to include any British Government that might be in power, it is clear that the document makes a special attempt to address what have in the past been particular areas of concern to the Labour Party.

Significant in this regard is the section on **The United Nations Dimension**, which reviews our annual attendance before the Decolonisation Committee of 24 and concludes that we are in a

"post colonial" stage and neither insular nor isolationist as we are occasionally portrayed.

Another section which deals with a concern to the British taxpayer and to the Labour Party, is **The Cost to the UK**, which attempts to put a figure on the marginal cost to the UK of the MPA garrison and concludes that FIG contributions to its cost already represent a per capita cost to Islanders in excess of four times that paid by a UK resident towards the defence of Britain.

FINAL SECTION POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In view of the background outlined in this report, we would like to propose the following package of policies. They are inter-related and in many respects interdependent. We believe that there is a considerable degree of congruence between the interests of the UK and the interests of the Falkland Islands as expressed here.

POLICY 1

The Falkland Islands are British and will continue to be so. Any alteration to that is entirely a matter for self determination by the Islanders themselves. Change can be brought about only by their clearly expressed wish, not any third party's interpretation of their "best interests". This often stated promise will be honoured.

POLICY 2

The Falkland Islands Government and Her Majesty's Government will work together to move towards even greater self government for the Islands with the ultimate goal of "Secure Independence". It is anticipated that this will be a very gradual process.

POLICY 3

The claim to the Islands by Argentina is spurious and vexatious, having no weight in either history or International Law and being founded on fantasy and ambition. It will always be rigorously resisted, and all possible diplomatic effort will be made to ensure that the claim is withdrawn from the Argentine Constitution. In order to ensure this, a military presence on the Islands and adequate reserve capability will be maintained on a scale sufficient to ensure both a deterrent to aggression and a holding capability pending reinforcement.

POLICY 4

Peaceful co-existence between Argentina and the U.K. and Argentina and the Falkland Islands is to be encouraged, but never used in any way to dilute or adapt the position on sovereignty. Bribes and inducements cannot form part of a fair evaluation of any sovereignty issue.

POLICY 5

The following are considered to be of importance:
a) The strategic situation and opportunities presented by the Islands,
b) The conservation of the unique natural environment, and
c) The wealth of natural resources.
The effective management of these factors is to be encouraged and assisted where appropriate.

POLICY 6

Co-operation between Her Majesty's Government and the Falkland Islands Government on the influence and education of public opinion in Argentina is to be encouraged. The objective is to reach the point where the "Malvinas" issue is no longer a vote winner or even has special popular appeal.

We believe these policies to be in the mutual interests of the United Kingdom and the people of the Falkland Islands.

National Trust and Museum - the what, why and how

WITH the growing awareness of our heritage, and the importance in these rapidly changing times of preserving it, this is an appropriate time to explain how the Museum and National Trust operates.

At its inception in 1987 the Museum was wholly funded by Government but in more recent years Councillors, although supportive of our work, have encouraged the Museum to be more self supporting and independent. This has been achieved through stringent management of the purse strings, charging admission fees, operating a shop and by careful investment.

We do receive core funding from FIG, who also provide the Curator's salary and the secretary's wage. Trustees, with the exception of the Curator and the Archivist, work as volunteers. They also provide back-up in a wide range of Museum related work and projects, as well as meeting regularly to discuss direction, policies, general running and future projects. We were deeply saddened last month to lose Pat Luxton as one of our Trustees. Her love of the Falklands and total support of the Museum and its work will be greatly missed.

Because we generate some of our own funding, we are able to make contributions towards the upkeep and alterations at Britannia House, particularly new fencing and installation of additional windows and display areas. Also major items including assistance towards flight costs of the Dry Stone Waller's visit, and total funding for the purchase of the Nutt Cartmell stamp collection.

The latter, being something of an emergency situation, means that we have to shelve several large projects planned for the next twelve months. It is very encouraging to know how many people supported the purchase. The adjustment of priorities was a correct move.

Our expansion as a National Trust, to encompass the entire Falklands' history, has created a wider range of financial responsibilities additional to the expenditure generated by the Museum in Stanley. Here Government and Councillors consider suggestions put forward by us for projects requiring financial support and allocate funding if considered appropriate. During the past few years we have arranged the complete restoration of the Whalebone Arch, re-roofing the Mission House at Keppel and on-going work with the war paintings at Ajax Bay, as well as cairns and plaques at Bold Cove, the Public Jetty, Victory Green, Moody Brook, Government House, and Stromness, South Georgia. We

also liaise closely with the Historic Buildings Committee, the Government Archivist and the Alastair Cameron Memorial Trust. Wrecks and Hulks also come loosely under our umbrella, which at times involves considerable work in looking after the well being of what is probably the world's most unique collection of historic ships.

The National Trust aspect of the Museum work means we have to make ourselves aware of what is out in Camp: sites, corrals, cemeteries and buildings. Objects and the past or present way of life have all to be recorded in some way, before what is visible now may not be in the future.



Archivist, curator and chairman at work in Cartmel House

The Trustees each make the most of a visit to Camp by looking, asking and photographing and writing up valuable notes on their return home. While all of this may be fun, it can prove a daunting task if it is to be done properly, and of course saving buildings and objects from extinction costs money.

We all differ in our choice of priorities when we consider spending money on the preservation of our heritage - should it be Bodie Creek Bridge, Shallow Bay House, cemeteries or stone corrals or even Paragon House? Quite a predicament for us and the public at large. Funding is the foremost consideration and it isn't a bottomless pool.

The Pioneer Row cottage - Cartmel House - is a separate project. The bequest of Henry Heyburn has funded the exterior refurbishment, which is almost complete, with partial work done on the interior. Unfortunately this money will run out after pathways have been concreted round the house.

For those who think everyone goes home and the Museum stops work between opening times this could not be further from the truth. It is an extremely busy information centre utilised by Government departments, the Military, a

local and overseas enquirers for a multitude of questions on vastly varying subjects.

Whether telephoned or written, all enquiries take time to answer. Often this entails considerable research to provide a suitable reply. In these days of high politics, the Museum has come into its own in a way that most people might not imagine, with the overseas media, including many TV film makers, sceptics and politicians clocking up much mileage at Britannia House. This requires great diplomacy on the part of the Curator. As we all know, one false word can make a headline or become distorted so as to give a totally wrong impression.

The presentation of both the house and the exhibits has to be of the highest standard. A frequent feedback comment is that this is no dusty old collection - it gleams like an antique shop. Cleaning and polishing has to be done daily in order to preserve the freshness. The Museum has a high public relations profile and we cannot afford to be let down by a shabby turnout.

During opening hours work continues but visitors do require attention and we like to give it - after all, that is what the Curator is there for. Visitors make the comment that the personal touch is something which must not be lost. Besides, through conversation we have gained links with many people overseas who have in turn sent us a wealth of information, exhibits and photographs, or in some way contributed towards Falkland history.

We were particularly pleased some years ago, to instigate the teaching of Falkland history in our schools, and since this has been taking place, there are close links with the Community School, particularly Nigel Shorrocks and his teams of students. Their supporting work with ongoing survey projects at Port Egmont and Port Louis is enormously valuable.

At the other end of the scale we always enjoy the visits of pupils from the infant and junior schools for their introduction to history in which we can always relate to someone's aunt, uncle or grandparents. We also have a really good working relationship with the school at MPA who visit us regularly. The Museum is freely available for all pupils to come and do research or carry out school projects.

Having given visitors of all ages something to look at, we have also been actively working on the establishment of a vast database including a continuous programme of building up our photographic, video and sound archive. This involves a great deal of liaison with our senior citizens who remember all those fascinating bits of history which don't appear in official accounts. We always have a field day when the Blue Bus arrives with the folk from the Day Centre, complete with their cakes and sandwiches.

We have a responsibility to future generations. Progress is necessary but it is vital that we do not lose sight of the past.

Trustees of the Museum and National Trust

Joan Spruce (Chairman)
John Smith (Curator)
Jane Cameron (FIG Archivist)
Shirley Hirtle
Mike Rendell (Treasurer)
Brian Aldridge

DIARY OF A FARMER'S CAT by Baldrick Wilkinson

It's back to a lean diet of mutton for winter

SHEESH. Not one single flamin' chick from that stupid old biddy in the garden. Not one. Not so much as a bit of fluff. Yeah, yeah - I know it's out of season and all that jazz, but the eggs don't know that, do they? There'd have been no problem over the chicks trying to keep warm in the wintry weather, and no need to pamper 'em. I'd have taken care of the whole kit and caboodle, no problem mate...

Oh, well. Back to mutton and the occasional goose if I'm lucky. No tasty little snacks for this pussycat. Lean, mean and straight down the line, that's my diet. (Describes me too, come think of it.) But with any luck there'll be beef around soon, and lashings of it.

I must admit I prefer mutton to beef, but at least there'll be no stinting on the Boss's part once he starts doling out bits of moo. He hates those beef that much, with all the damage they do to fences, that he positively enjoys watching us cats - and those pesky dogs - devouring 'em piecemeal. I've heard him discussing future plans with the Missus; seems there are

some wild bulls to bop off and dump on the shore. No good for eating, apparently, which seems a shame. There are some pretty wild cows too - and I expect they'll be even wilder when they see a gun coming at 'em - so it looks like there's a safari in the offing. Perhaps the Missus could advertise Big Game Hunting and get loads of punters paying to come and stalk cull cattle. They could cart the horns back as souvenirs...

Talking of carting things, our doctor friend from the UK arrives here tomorrow, I've heard, and he'll be lugging a load more baby trees. Planting them should keep him and the Boss busy for a few days, I guess. Nice chap, that doctor. Talks to me man-to-man he does - well, man-to-cat anyway. Nice to be recognised for what I am, once in a while. Us educated cats are few and far between, after all.

The Missus has been clearing out all her woolly bits from the house into the Portakabin, so she should now be able to locate a bed for our visitor. Not to mention a

space for his suitcase. Up till now she's had to do some serious excavation work on her accumulated junk before anyone could get their head down in either of the so-called spare rooms. Junk rooms would be more like it. Having got everything into the Portakabin she's been busy going through all her old paperwork and putting stuff in huge cardboard boxes for the Boss to cart away and burn. (Lucky I didn't choose one of 'em for a quiet snooze; I might well have ended up as charcoal...)

I had a quiet snigger to myself yesterday, when the last batch of rubbish got shifted. The Boss had just lifted it through the Portakabin doorway, and outside into a stiffish breeze, when the bottom gave way on the box...

It was really funny watching the Boss trying to catch the bits of paper, and bellowing at the Missus, who was doing her best to help but proving pretty useless. It was like watching that Grab a Grand thing on that telly programme - the one the Missus and the Boss both say they hate but seem to end up

watching most times. (Funny how humans will sit through telly programmes muttering how awful they are but not bothering to switch the things off. Masochism, I think it's called. Or is that a telly programme too?)

Anyway, enough waffling. I must get out for some fresh air. The sun's shining for a change, though the wind is still strong, and the poor old Boss is working the boat while the Missus is skiving indoors. I wandered down for a look earlier on, but it was pretty boring really. There's practically zilch freight for here, 'cos the poor old sods are broke at present till the wool cheque comes - and then they'll be paying off bills left right and centre, so they'll still be broke. Really, life's a lot simpler for us cats...

Cheers, chays

Baldrick

HEALTH MATTERS: *Partial Sight*

"Seeing is believing!"

Some tips on how to cope with failing sight and how your friends can help

MANY PEOPLE think of blindness as total blackness, but this is not the case. It is estimated that 96% of all those who are registered blind have some residual sight, if only perception of light. Only 4% experience complete darkness.

Partial sight can be both confusing and frustrating because a partially sighted person often misinterprets what he or she sees. Thus one afternoon, I complimented my friends in the office on what a lovely ornament of a dog they had on the shelf, only to be told after much confusion and trying not to laugh, that it was in fact a packet of biscuits with a torn wrapping. It looked just like a beagle dog to me!

When in later life one is confronted with the problems of worsening sight, it can be grievously confusing. The reaction is panic, if not despair, especially if one lives alone.

From my own experience I know it is possible to maintain an independent existence by being prepared to adapt to the new situation. Somewhere at the beginning I had to learn to accept, adapt and achieve ('AAA'), and you can do this best after you have grieved for your lost or impaired vision. It is as much a bereavement as the loss of a loved person and the mourning process is important in helping you to come to terms with what has happened to you.

The urge to lament what is gone will be succeeded by that happier time when you will look back with pleasure, not regret, on your memories of a sighted life. You may, even as I did, find it a positive relief when you can no longer see your own face and the lines appearing on it.

Remember, the quality of the life you will lead depends on you and you alone. You can set yourself new targets and it will surprise you how much pleasure and satisfaction there is in attaining them.



"WOULD YOU KIDS GET A MOVE ON!"

SO YOU WANT TO HELP?

(This I address to all relatives, friends and acquaintances of the partially sighted who are desperately anxious to help.)

There is one vital principle that you must always keep in mind: your aim is to foster independence, not to induce dependence.

When a time comes that your offers of help are politely refused than you have succeeded in that aim.

When meeting a partially sighted friend always greet them by saying clearly who you are. 'Hello Joe, it's Margaret Brown'. It isn't always possible to recognise someone merely from hearing that person speak, as I know to my cost.

Poorly sighted people want to be treated as normal. If you want to know if they take sugar in their tea, don't ask a bystander, ask them. Just because they can't see too well doesn't mean they are deaf or not right in the head.

When you do make an offer of help, the way in which you put it into words is very important. Say it in a way which leaves choice eg; "can I be of any help?" leaves the control of the situation in the other person's hands, to accept or refuse as they wish. This also applies to elderly or any handicapped person. We all wish to keep our independence as long as possible. Never do anything in the house

of a partially sighted person without telling them, as this can lead to confusion. Moving mail, bills, etc., or kitchen utensils and groceries (even if they look untidy) can cause a lot of frustration as everything has to have its place for partially sighted people. If you move those bills they'll never get paid!

If you pull a chair out, be sure to replace it exactly as it was, so that they won't walk into it. A bruised knee is something they can well do without!

These are just a few hints on how to cope and help the partially sighted person. If any one needs tip on how to help themselves or others I would be happy to come and see you for a chat and pass on my own experiences.

The Library has now started a good service of talking books and a small selection of large print books. Penguin News is also recorded weekly for those who need it.

Good Luck

Sharon Middleton

Health Matters

If there are any health-related topics that readers would like Penguin News to deal with in the *Health Matters* column, please let us know and we will try to oblige.

Monty's

MONTAGUE HOUSE RESTAURANT

The Montague house restaurant is now under new management. Gary and Suzy would like to invite everyone to come and sample the warm, friendly atmosphere and individual service our small but homely restaurant provides.

Using local and imported food we try to please everyone with our menus and our prices. So, if you have a special request or a special occasion why not telephone us:

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PERSONAL

Congratulations to Ewan Wildgoose and Trudi Farrow on their engagement in Aberdeen on the 11th of March 1995. Best wishes from Richard, Drew and their friends in the Falkland Islands.

Pauline and Dave would like to thank everyone that came to the Silver Wedding party on Saturday. Many, many thanks for wonderful cards and presents. Thanks especially to the Fighting Pig band, John and Joyce Allen, Kath and Sheena for wonderful cakes and very, very special thanks to Paul and Helen for making it a perfect evening.

WANTED

Still wanted, Series 2 or 3 LWB Rear Body, will consider anything if repairable. Phone 31193 or 31199

NOTICES

Bonnors Jet Wash

Lookout Industrial Estate Opening 8th April 1995. Let us take that hard work out of washing your vehicle. Self service jet wash £1.50 for 9 minutes. Opening hours 7am - 7pm, 7 days a week.

The Dance of the Flaming Exhaust Pipes

Don't miss the highlight of the year, Moto X Annual Awards, at the FIDF Drill hall, Saturday 15th April Easter Weekend. Mega Buffet, dancin' and Boozin' till the small hours. Get your tickets from Andrew Newman or Jim Moffatt be quick or you will miss out.

From the Councillor Office

There will be a Public Meeting on the 10 April 1995, taking place at the Infant/Junior School Hall between 7 and 8pm.

Councillors attending will be Councillors Birmingham, Cheek, Teggart and Halford. If Camp members are in town they will attend too.

Anyone wishing to come along and put questions to Councillors will be most welcome

Public Notice

The annual Falkland Islands Government Reception at Lincoln's Inn in London will be held this year on 15 June, 1995.

Any Falkland Islands resident who will be in the UK at this time who would wish to attend the reception are invited to pass their names, together with UK contact addresses, to the Secretariat, Stanley.

Public Notice No: 51/95

In the Summary Court (Licensing Justices) Section 9 Licensing Ordinance 1994

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a session of the Summary Court will be held on Tuesday the 9th day of May 1995 at 9am at the Town Hall Stanley for the purpose of granting removing transferring and renewing justices licenses under the above Ordinance and for the transaction of any other appropriate business.

Dated 4th April 1995

Mount Pleasant Plays Host to Stanley Netballers

ON SUNDAY 2 April, 22 members of Stanley netball Club travelled, in convoy, to play in a "Round Robin" Tournament, organised by Cpl. Shaw at MPA.

Stanley fielded 3 evenly matched teams and, in spite of each team being beaten by a top-strength MPA team, the inter-Stanley matches were very close.

Special mention should be made of the 5 school-girls, who can be justly proud of their contributions on the day.

After the tournament, a Stanley Select team played the MPA team and went ahead in the early stages. But a serious injury to the Stanley GK forced a hasty change in defence and the MPA triumphed once more. The Stanley Club would like to thank the MPA players for the

enjoyable day and look forward to playing again on home ground.

Stanley: T Halmshaw, F Tolo, M Hanlon, M Kink, L Fitzgerald, R Didlick, S Nightingale, S Dixon, L Brownlee, I Newman, M Hall, M Summers, K Moffatt, N Luxton, T Jaffray, L Elliott, D Triggs, M Jones, A Poole, C Clifton, I Minto, T Porter.

Falkland Islands Government;

wishes to sell by tender a motor launch, known as "Wavedancer", subject to the Terms and Conditions appended hereto. A general description of the launch and her equipment is attached.

Inspection of the launch may be carried out by arrangement with the Marine Officer at the Fisheries Department Tel: (500)27260, Fax: (500)27265

Tenderers should submit their bids by 1630 local time, 13th April 1995, on the Tender Form in a sealed envelope, marked "Wavedancer" to:

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STANLEY
Falkland Islands
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Supreme Court of the Falkland Islands

Notice under the Administration of Estates Ordinance (Cap.1)

TAKE NOTICE THAT Mary Peck, deceased, of Stanley, Falkland Islands died at Stanley, on the 7th day of March 1995.

WHEREAS James Bartholomew McRae, Godson of the deceased, has applied for Letters of Administration with Will annexed to administer the estate of the said deceased in the Colony.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 4 of the Administration of Estates Ordinance to all persons resident in the Colony who may have prior claim to such grant that the prayer of the Petitioner will be granted provided no caveat be entered in the Supreme Court within 21 days of the publication hereof.

Stanley
Falkland Islands

3 April 1995
Ref: PRO/5/11995

POSTSCRIPT FROM ST. MARY'S

A person determined to remain cheerful will reject the first signs of self-pity. This does not mean that people are not in pain or in a desperate situation; nor does it mean that we should withhold pity and compassion. But it does mean that self-pity is seen as self-defeating; and so it is. Giving in to self-pity pulls your spirits down and causes needless grief. Moreover, nobody is keen to listen to a litany of complaints. Why burden others with your woes, especially if they can do nothing about it anyway?

There is more than one person in

Stanley with a string of physical ailments which cause them to be in constant pain. Instead of lamenting their fate and spreading gloom, they have a graceful knack of deflecting pity. When you ask Cunegund "How are you today?" she may say with a big smile, "oh, I have my good days and my bad days, but when I have my good days, I feel alright."

Be joyful always, pray at all times, be thankful in all circumstances. This is what God wants from you in your life in union with Christ Jesus. (1 Thess. 5,16-18)

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No joke like an old joke

AS the accompanying cartoon from the Falklands *Weekly News* of 1945 shows, spoof whale stories have a long history in the Falklands.

The instigator in this case was Joe King, then Government Printer, who also drew the cartoon to illustrate how successful he had been.

According to Joe, the young ladies from the Secretariat used to come into the printing office to wash their tea cups and he had casually mentioned to two

of them that there were a number of blackfish washed up at Hookers Point Bay.

The following day, Joe could not understand at first why he was getting a couple of "very bleak stares", and he received what he termed a "real roasting" on Monday morning, thus illustrating the dangers of practical joking in a small community.

Note that in the cartoon, which beautifully captures the feeling of the times, there are no Land rovers, but only cars and motorbikes.



From the Falklands *Weekly News*, August 9, 1945

Argentina offers cultural exchange

HARD ON THE HEELS of recent offers, including holidays and trips to Agricultural shows, comes an Argentine offer, addressed to the Editor, *Daily Penguin*, for Falkland students to participate as instructors in an English Immersion Programme run for students from all over Argentina.

The CII Scholarship Programme 1995-1996 is it seems 'a unique experience of cultural exchange'. The brochure describes the course as an exchange 'in which scholars will share their language

and culture with Argentine students of English of all ages, and get involved in a Spanish-speaking community, learn the language, pursue a study programme, and travel throughout the country.'

All the student has to do is pay for the round trip, bring some money, be insured and be ready!

The brochure states that 'only people aware of their own culture, communicative, imaginative and team-minded, are encouraged to apply'.

Wind-up gone wrong creates £1000 a day man

COUNCILLORS were left somewhat non-plussed at Monday's Public Meeting by accusations that a visiting Health and Safety consultant was earning £1000 per day. While being sure that this could not be the case, they appeared to know little about him or what he was doing.

The mystery was somewhat resolved during the week by Director of Public Works, Brian Hill, who told *Penguin News* that the consultant in question, Mr John Muggeridge, was in the Falklands to assess local heavy plant operators and to offer a course leading to a Certificate of Competency, which would be issued to successful candidates by the UK authority on such matters, the Construction Industry Training

Board (CITB).

Mr Hill said that PWD were anxious to offer their operators the chance to gain universally accepted qualifications, but had discovered that to send men to the UK for certification would cost in the region of £50 per man per day, on top of the cost of passages, accommodation and living expenses.

The Director of Public Works said that the £1000 a day figure arose from what he termed "a wind-up" that had gone wrong.

Government sources later confirmed that Mr Muggeridge was being a basic figure in the region of £300 and that although he was paid on a per capita basis on another course, expenditure on plant operator certification would be less than the budget of £20,000.

Robert's the new GM of SS

STANLEY SERVICES LTD held their Annual General Meeting on 13 April. The appointment of Mr Robert Rowlands as future General Manager was officially confirmed.

Among other subjects it was noted that Stanley Services bunkering sub-contract would run out on May 1 1995.

Detained Chinese goes free by DAP

A CHINESE Seaman detained in Stanley recently for the alleged offence of killing a fellow seaman left the Falklands on April 13, unescorted. The offence occurred in international waters thus the Falklands police had little jurisdiction.

The man boarded a DAP flight of his own accord. The matter is now in the hands of Asian Authorities.

Fatal collapse outside KEMH

STEPHEN Bucket, 29 yrs, was discovered in a collapsed state, outside the KEMH at 10.45 on the evening of April 13 and despite vigorous efforts to revive him by the medical staff, was pronounced dead an hour later.

It is believed that Stephen had earlier telephoned the hospital complaining of chest pain, but had declined either a doctor's visit or the offer of an ambulance, saying that he preferred to walk. At this stage an inquest is not expected.

Pay up please, says Nina

NINA ALDRIDGE bravely completed the London Marathon in 5 hours and 20 minutes on April 2. She describes the experience as "brilliant". Despite the hot weather, "the atmosphere was very friendly and supportive."

Nina believes she has raised about £1000, which will be given to Great Ormond Street Hospital in memory of Simon Summers.

She would be very grateful if all those in the Falklands who pledged money would pay it by April 22 to the persons from whom they obtained the pledge forms.

Government quarters

IN a press release from the Secretariat this week, the general public were warned that "due to the proposed increase in contract officers recruited from overseas", it was unlikely that any Government quarters would become available for some time to come.

A review of Government's housing requirements was to take place shortly.



YOUR LETTERS.....

Comfort in the confusion

CAREFUL READERS may have noticed in an excerpt from FIG's Policy Recommendations published last week in Penguin News, the interesting assertion that "we have the highest ownership of Fax machines per head of population in the world." (I use the word "assertion" advisedly, because, for reasons that I shall get round to, I am a little bit wary of the word "fact" just now)

In the Falklands where, due to difficulty and isolation, communication by whatever means has always been important, it is no surprise that the Fax has caught on or that access to Fax machines has created a network within the larger community, of people who now regularly Fax each other items that they think are amusing or informative.

Just how effective and widespread this network is had not occurred to me till the other day when I Faxed someone in the centre of Stanley a copy of a photograph of a mutual acquaintance, which I thought he might find amusing. Within minutes, I had evidence that the same image had emerged from at least one Fax machine in the Secretariat, and had then been Faxed on again to the FIC offices at the other end of town. The image had arrived at both places in less time that it would have taken to drive to them and may have kept on travelling - though I have no evidence that it did - perhaps even out of the country.

When I sent the initial Fax, my purpose was simply to amuse its intended recipient. I don't know whether it was he or someone in his office who chose to send the Fax onwards or whether their purpose was also to amuse or, perhaps, to give offence. If it was the latter, I began to wonder, what were my responsibilities, either morally or legally, as instigator of the Fax? Is a Fax message regarded by the law as an essentially private medium like the post or does it have the status, perhaps, of a public declaration? (Even if the former, there are, as we all know, laws about what may or may not be sent through the post.)

While I had not meant any harm by sending the Faxed photo, and had not expected it to go any further, insofar as I had not expressly prohibited its onward transmission, could I be held responsible if it was? After all, it could be argued, I should have anticipated that it might be.

If lawyers were not so expensive, I suppose I could have asked one the answer to these questions. However, I was continuing to mull them over in my head, when, as luck would have it, I received, by Fax, the cartoon reproduced below, which, as I have subsequently learned, has been popping out of Fax machines all over the Falklands. Although it states clearly that it is about me and makes, in an admittedly humorous way, a number of allegations about me personally and about the Penguin News, which I find extremely offensive, it was not sent directly to me, so should I complain, take legal action or attempt to defend myself?..... I think not.

After all, despite the current amazing run of fine weather, winter is approaching and will bring with it long hours of darkness and accompanying Scandinavian gloom enough, without me adding to it. Despite the fact that we now have a psychiatric nurse in Stanley, it would not do if everyone were to suffer from paranoia and sense of humour failure.



(The above cartoon was sent to the Chairman of the Media Trust by Cllr Wendy Teggart with the message: "I was going to write, but I think this says it all")

I REFER to your editorial of April 8th, where you mentioned your confusion in trying to understand the decision making process with regard to the national Stud Flock location.

I write to offer you some comfort, as General manager and a Director of FLH, I was and still am perplexed to as to how a decision agreeing Saladero as the chosen site, could have been made in Council a day before the Directors of the Company were due to meet.

Prior to the Council meeting the Directors of the Company had reluctantly agreed to offer Saladero to the Agricultural Department provided a substantial yearly rent was paid. This offer was made, but no reply was received to my knowledge and none of the Directors are aware of the rent being offered by FIG to FLH even now.

So why did the majority of the Directors decide to vote in favour of Saladero after it had been announced in council? As one of the few Directors who voted against Saladero at our second meeting, I

have to admit to being as confused as you are.

There are a number of other matters relating to the Stud flock that I find both worrying and confusing. Why are councillors offering an open cheque book when it comes to finding a home for the sheep, when just over a year ago FLH was told to reduce its management fee by £10,000 or go? FLH provided figures to the Agricultural Department showing that up to £390,000 could be spent as setting up costs for Saladero. As you know, it was clearly demonstrated at a recent public meeting that Councillors do not know, or care, what the costs are.

None of the other organisations offering advice have provided costings. One organisation who offered advice wrote to Government in 1991 insisting that Swan Inlet was the best possible location to establish a National Stud flock.

Confused? You're right, I am.
Robin Lee
Falklands Landholdings

Right or wrong whale?

'THAR SHE BLOWS!' a cry that still stirs the heart and excites seamen all over the world bringing them to the rail to watch these great mammals wallow in the ocean. Landlubbers are also attracted to gruesome carcasses washed up on beaches as inspired by the article 'What a Whopper' Penguin News Vol.7 No.6 on April 1st 1995.

However curiosity was put to rest a week later in the leader of P.N. Vol.7 on April 8th.

I find the tale of a whale hard to digest, more so when I heard on the evening of Sunday the 9th that the whale beached at Bull Point had decided to move to Bleaker Island. On that very day I had walked among the bones of the skeleton retrieving a disc (should I slip one) and taking home a

chunk of baleen to make myself a set of corsets.

What I do remember from the report by Bob Hancox, whose party was first to sight it, was that the head had been chopped off. Looking at the photographs on page 3 in 8th April P.N. you see this is nearly correct. Now look closely at the skeleton at the bottom you will see only jaw bones - no skull - the bit that holds the brain, eye sockets and ear drums are missing from both whales.

Surely observers on the fishing vessels must from time to time see sea mammals caught up in the nets.

I've heard of headless chickens but whales without heads is a big one to swallow.

Roving Reporter Goss on the North Arm Shores.

Praise is due for Commando Challenge

MAY I TAKE this opportunity to congratulate all those who took part in the Commando Challenge competition; whether they were successful or not it is just as important to have a go. My sincere thanks also to everyone in camp for allowing them across your land and the facilities offered to them. A special thanks to the FIDF for the planning and management of the exercise and for help and participation of BFFI.

I feel I must comment on the rather negative interview conducted by Patrick Watts on Mondays News Magazine which in my view bordered on being demeaning to the competitors. The aim of

the competition is to physically and mentally test the competitor as well as practise military skills en route. To that end the competition was a total success. It would appear that Mr Watts failed to appreciate the atmosphere in which the prize giving was conducted, which was one of mutual respect and admiration for each others achievements. Which endorses my view of a totally successful conclusion to a competition designed to be a tough one.

Norman Clark
Stanley

(Patrick Watts comments that the FIBS coverage of the prize-giving referred to "endeavour and resilience" Ed)

.....write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley

Longlining: the history of BAS involvement in the prevention of Incidental Seabird Mortality

IT WAS VERY gratifying to see the letter from the Manager of Consolidated Fisheries (Penguin News 4 February) stating explicitly that only zero seabird mortality is acceptable in their operations. I hope that this will now be the standard for all longline fishing operations licensed in the FICZ.

However, I should like to correct one or two misapprehensions that Martin Cox's letter might create, particularly in regard to avoidance of seabird mortality in general, to the situation at South Georgia in particular and the role of UK scientists and government.

To deal with South Georgia first. Any operation by Consolidated Fisheries in this area will be subject to the regulations of the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR) in respect of avoidance of incidental mortality. Since 1990 the UK has actively publicised the scale of the problem (based particularly on research by BAS at South Georgia) and campaigned for mitigating action in the form of official CCAMLR Conservation Measures. In association with Chile it placed scientific observers on the first longline research fishing cruise to the South Sandwich Islands in 1993 and last year put scientific observers on further longline fishing vessels in the South Georgia area. The CCAMLR Conservation Measures designed to reduce seabird mortality are considerably more strict than those currently applying in the FICZ, particularly as regards the permitted timing of line-setting, the design of and deployment of seabird scaring devices and the disposal of offal.

Second, in March 1994 I wrote to the Director of Fisheries, pointing out the need for longlining in the FICZ to adopt provisions for avoiding seabird mortality at least as strict as those in force then within CCAMLR, if unacceptable levels of incidental mortality, particular of albatrosses, were not to occur. Last year the UK was the prime mover in creating a meeting in Australia, attended by representatives of 12 nations, to review all information on incidental mortality of seabird associated with longline fisheries and to review the various techniques used to reduce this. The reports of that meeting were passed subsequently to the Department of Fisheries.

Therefore while it is very satisfactory indeed that Consolidated Fisheries recognises the potential seriousness of killing seabirds, especially albatrosses, while fishing, it should be recognised that a great deal of effort, especially by UK scientists and government, has

already gone into researching into how to reduce this problem as far as possible.

It is also very encouraging that Consolidated Fisheries is keen to help recruit expert observers for such fisheries. As long ago as 1992 I tried to arrange for Nigel Brothers from Australia to act as an observer on longline vessels around South Georgia. This was supported in principle by the FCO but appropriate financial arrangements were not forthcoming from Australian sources. The South Georgia and South Sandwich Government is itself again trying to set up this arrangement for the 1995 fishing season at South Georgia.

In conclusion, it should be clear that the potential risks to albatrosses were well known at the time when longline fishing started in the FICZ; therefore better communication might have avoided at least a proportion of the recent mortality of albatrosses. It is also clear, however that the will does exist to tackle this problem in an effective way and I hope that all appropriate parties can collaborate fully in this.

Dr. J.P. Croxall
British Antarctic Survey

BOC race crew say thank you for your help and hospitality

ON BEHALF OF the shore crew and the skippers of the BOC fleet who limped into Stanley this month, we'd like to thank everyone for being so kind and helpful

Ian Dougherty and Mark Collier at the FIC and FIPASS, Robin and Owen on the Speedwell, Pauline at the Warrah, Lt. Col. Mike Bowles and Captain Emma Welch at Mount Pleasant, Martin and Sheena Cox who showed us Penguins, George Betts, and especially Andrez Short and Carl Freeman whose expertise made welding the boats back together and building new parts look easy.

And there were also a lot of people whose names we don't know who came down to see the boats and offer help and advice, and though we can't thank you by name, we appreciate it.

We wish we'd had more time to visit, but hopefully we can return someday as proper tourists and see your islands, instead of spending all our time staring at our boats.

We find we're even missing the cold southerly wind.
Kate Ford and Merfyn Owen

You don't have to be mad to talk to this man



PSYCHIATRIC Nurse (or Nurse Counsellor as he will be know as here) David Harding, arrived in the Falklands recently with his wife Sharon and three children Matthew, Abigail and Charlotte. David is starting a two year contract and has come from a village near Grimsby in the UK where he is local Councillor and is active with the Royal College of Nursing.

David Harding, ready for visitors health education, self help groups and support for families of those who have psychiatric problems.

He was particularly concerned that people should feel comfortable to approach him anywhere, whether on the street, by telephone or just knocking on his office door. It is not necessary to have to be referred to the Nurse Counsellor through another doctor. David stressed that although anonymity is difficult in the Falklands (especially for people in the camp) he can guarantee confidentiality. His notes are kept separately in his office and will not be read by anyone else. He also explained that "If you are on the blacklist and you tell me you are drinking I am not going to tell the police"

David anticipates subtle differences in the types of problems he would normally encounter due to the different environment. He feels it is possible that problems may be influenced by this community being more isolated than others also the fact that Islanders seem very resourceful, "you deal with your problems differently to those in a community with more services available; you have learnt to rely on your own resources". On the whole however, he felt that the Britishness of the people would provide a common factor with what he was used to.

Predominantly he anticipates dealing with loneliness, mild depression, stress and problems with alcohol. As a nurse counsellor David says people can approach him with problems of any type ranging from, for example, post natal depression right through to pressure at work, changing jobs, moving house, divorce or even a need to talk about the trauma of the 1982 conflict ("...although the latter qualifies as Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome as opposed to stress trauma").

David will also provide a support role for professional services such as the Police, the Magistrate, the Medical Team, Education, and the Prison Service. Preventative work will involve David describes himself as "accessible to anyone, whatever the problem". If all you want is coffee and a chat then that's fine by him; just knock on the door.

RAF Tristar celebrates 10th Birthday

ON 12 May 1985, the first RAF Tristar aircraft arrived at Mount Pleasant via Ascension Island so heralding the start of the Airbridge service. The Airbridge was unique for many reasons but mostly because it was the RAF's first and only venture into the commercial market, offering civilians the opportunity to fly as normal fare paying passengers on a military flight.

The availability of the now twice weekly scheduled service, has enabled not only the carriage of thousands of passengers but also cargo and mail for everyone on the Falkland Islands and rations to support the military garrison. The Airbridge is undoubtedly a vital umbilical cord and a service of which the RAF is justifiably proud.

To celebrate 10 years of the Airbridge, a special commemorative stamp cover is being produced in London, depicting a Tristar over the Falkland Islands and the Station crest of RAF Mount Pleasant. The cover will be available in 3 different limited editions. The first will be signed by Sir Rex Hunt, Air Commodore Pete Johnson (the

present Commander of British Forces in the Falkland Islands) and Air Commodore Keith Filbey who was the pilot on the Tristar 10 years ago. The second cover will be signed by HE The Governor, Mr David Tatham, Group Captain Ray Dixon (Station Commander, RAF Mount Pleasant) and Wing Commander Fred Harbottle who is the Officer Commanding the Tristar Squadron at RAF Brize Norton, No 216 Sqn. The third version will be signed by the Tristar crew operating the Airbridge on 12 May 1995.

The certification and signing of the covers will take place at a special reception at RAF Mount Pleasant on 12 May and they will be available for sale shortly afterwards in the Stanley and Mount Pleasant Post Offices.

Also at the Reception, the Governor will be asked to draw the winning ticket in a competition organised by RAF Brize Norton to benefit the FI's Community Trust. The result of the draw will be relayed immediately to a dinner night being held at RAF Brize Norton.

Mt Pleasant Primary School Sponsored Swim



The team prepare for action

THE pupils of Mount Pleasant Primary School took part in a sponsored swim last week to raise money for school funds. The preceding week had seen frantic activity as students (and their parents) collected pledges of money, either per length or as a total. It was difficult to escape - soon the sight of a child with a buff sponsor struck terror into the hearts of the MPA population.

The students gathered at the pool side brimming with confidence - entirely justified as it turned out. Thirteen of the older swimmers (Aged 6-11) completed a total of 446 lengths, or 8.5 miles, and the 3 younger ones (all 5 or just under) swam 37 widths of the pool. All the swimmers did ex-

ceptionally well, including David Johnson and Stuart Edwards, who swam 50 lengths each, and Christian Young, who swam 29 lengths, having completed his first unaided length only the previous week.

The swimmers who took part were: Jessica Smith; Calum Ogg; Bradley Cooke; Helen Warwick, mark Johnson; Jack Knight; Christian Young; Gordon Morris; Nicholas Pratt; Catherine Bowles; Stephanie Edwards; Alison Warwick; Sarah Morris; David Johnson; Jonathan Bowles; Victoria Pratt and Stuart Edwards.

All that remains now is for the sponsorship money to be collected. It is hoped that the total raised will exceed £400.

Seabird monitoring shows general decline

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS Seabird Monitoring Programme (FISMP) was established by Falklands Conservation to determine breeding seabird population trends in the Falkland Islands; but how do they do that?

Mike Bingham of Falklands Conservation has produced a summary report of the FISMP from which the following has been derived.

The main data required is breeding pairs, productivity and diet samples. The first two require a great deal of counting, each colony being counted three times in total at the start of the breeding season (the mean value being taken as the result and the range giving an indication of the margin of error).

Taking a diet sample involves a small tube being passed down the throat of the bird into the stomach, and sea-water gently pumped into the stomach until full. The penguin is then quickly inverted and the tube removed, allowing the stomach contents and water to be collected in a bucket. Falklands Conservation stress that the number of samples taken is kept to a minimum due to the certain degree of stress caused to the bird.

The whole point of monitoring the population trends is to allow

early warnings to be given of any harmful effects on the environment from human exploitation; ie certain conclusions can be drawn from what seems to be an excessive decrease in the populations over the last fifty years or so.

The following summary of results have been reached by Falklands Conservation.

The present population of about 300 pairs of King Penguins is

steadily increasing, probably due to immigration from the expanding population at South Georgia.

The Rockhoppers have been hit hard with a decline of more than 85% from 3,000,000 breeding pairs in 1932 to only 400,000. A large effect may have been the disastrous season of 1985/86 when there were severe oceanic food shortages.

Magellanic Penguins have

declined by 30% in the last five years.

Southern Colonies of Gentoo's have declined on an average of 40% since 1987/88. Northern colonies have thrived. Diet samples show that those in the Southern colonies are catching less squid. However the 1993/94 1994/95 season produced more chicks than when recording began in 90/91.

Blackbrowed Albatross are on the increase from around 4,000 to over 15,000 (in the last 30 years)

There has been a severe decline in King Shags over recent years. As yet there are no trends to show for Rock Shags as there have been few historical counts to compare with.

In 1937 there were approximately 80,000 Sealion pups however this decreased to 6,000 and in 1995 to only 2000. Earlier causes may have been sealing, however by the 1960's unregulated commercial fishing was well established and it is likely that this may have been a cause.

In conclusion, the 1994/95 season was successful in terms of chick production. However, regarding the massive decline in birds over the years a common factor which links the above species is their dependence on oceanic food, squid, fish, lobster and krill.



Minister intervenes in Addis case

ON THE return of Mrs Addis to UK, the British Press have produced a number of reports on her situation and her recently spent time in the Falklands.

The reports pay particular attention to the idea that "Police in the Falklands now suspect foul play".

It is also noted that, "Mrs Addis is calling on the Ministry of Defence to pay for the investigation - instead of the Falkland Island taxpayers."

Cleethorpes MP, Mr Brown

said today he was set to put the matter in the hands of the Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs David Davis.

Mr Brown is quoted as saying that, "Mr Davis will look at the matter personally. It is quite clear from the correspondence that Mrs Addis has been getting nowhere with the Ministry of Defence"

He adds, "Although the case may eventually be referred back to the MoD, the temperature would have been raised by the ministers involvement".

Aeromedical Evacuation Beaten by the Clock

AT APPROXIMATELY 10am on April 7 the Watchkeeper in the BFFI Operations Centre was called by Fishops in Stanley with a request for assistance.

The call concerned a Korean "jigger", the *An Yang 71*, which had reported that they had an injured crewman on board. The vessel was approximately 120 miles NW of MPA at the time of the call.

A Sea King Rescue helicopter of No 78 Sqn, captained by Flight Lieutenant Snashall, was scrambled and arrived over the vessel at around 11.45 am. The casualty was winched up from the ship and the helicopter left for KEMH.

During the trip to Stanley the

Sea King crew were forced to make a precautionary landing on Pebble Island to check the source of an unknown smell in the cockpit.

It was then decided to return direct to MPA where medical staff had been alerted and were awaiting the casualty. On arrival at MPA the Sr Medical Officer, Squadron Leader Ross, pronounced the casualty dead at 12.21pm, local time

At the inquest into the death, beginning Monday April 10, it was concluded that the man, identified as Yu Wung Li, age 24, had met his death by foul means through a stab wound to his right shoulder.

Argentine Longliner found in FOCZ

FOLLOWING sightings by a FI-GAS Fishery Patrol Aircraft of an Argentine registered longliner within the FOCZ on April 1, and to the north of the FOCZ in International waters on April 2, the FOCZ North has been kept under surveillance by aircraft and patrol vessel, as available, since the beginning of the month.

During the morning of April 10 the FPV "Cordella" located a set of longline buoys within the FOCZ position 48 degrees 42 mins South and 57 degrees 31 West. The patrol vessel proceeded to haul these buoys onboard.

On completion of recovering the longline gear, including a radio transmitter beacon and dhan light the "Cordella" carried out a search for any other fishing gear in the area. During this procedure a target was detected on radar to the east of "Cordella" heading West toward the position of the buoys.

"Cordella" was immediately brought to full speed to intercept the other vessel, which immediately went about and steamed off in an easterly direction. At this time, the two ships were about 13 miles apart. Although the "Cordella" managed to close the gap between the two vessels down to 2.5 miles, the other vessel had at this point exited from the edge of the FOCZ, at which time the pur-

suit was called off.

Obviously close inspection of the pursued vessel was impossible, but she was believed to be an Argentine registered longliner.

News from St Marys

FROM St Mary's newsletter come two items which may be of interest to our readers:

Fr Austin Monaghan will be returning to Stanley, if only for a brief stay, later this month. Fr Charles Cammack, Msgr Agrieter's permanent assistant, is unable to come to Stanley until the end of the year so Fr Monaghan has kindly agreed to come until then.

Don't be surprised if you see our newly arrived Sisters zipping around town in a new Subaru Vivio. Catholic congregations in Italy and Austria have promised to help fund a small car for use by our Sisters. Car owners in Tirol (Monsignor's home diocese) and Austria have been invited to show their gratitude to God for his protection on the road by contributing towards a fund, out of which cars are bought for missionaries.

The United Kingdom National Code Change 16 April 1995

PHONEDAY

Remember the U.K National Code Change takes place on Easter Sunday, 16 April.

All codes will have a **1** inserted as an additional digit preceding the existing code.

In five major cities there is a more complex change, both the code and number will change as follows:

Bristol:	272 xxxxxx	becomes	117 9xxxxxx
Leeds:	532 xxxxxx	becomes	113 2xxxxxx
Leicester:	533 xxxxxx	becomes	116 2xxxxxx
Nottingham:	602 xxxxxx	becomes	115 9xxxxxx
Sheffield:	742 xxxxxx	becomes	114 2xxxxxx

In addition the U.K will be changing their international dialling code from 010 to 00.

If further information is required, telephone Cable & Wireless on 22301.

Penguin News candidates for the 1996 "biggest transformation" awards

Beautiful Falklands Awards

FINALISTS

- 1. Best Maintained Large Camp Settlement**
Port Howard, Johnson's Harbour, Walker Creek
- 2. Best Maintained Small Camp Settlement**
Harps Farm, Shallow Harbour, Boundary Farm, Rincon Ridge, Crooked Inlet
- 3. Preservation or Restoration of a Building or Site of Historic Interest**
There is only one nomination in this category, and this will remain confidential until the awards ceremony.
- 4. Best Maintained Business Premises**
Leif's, Malvina House Hotel, Upland Goose Hotel
- 5. Best Maintained Private Home and Garden**
Brook & Eileen Hardcastle, Les & Jill Harris, Derek & Sue Howatt, Eileen & Colin Davies, Rod & Phyllis Tuckwood, Mally & Reg Lyse, Tim & Sally Blake, Olive Morrison & Osmond Smith.
- 6. Most Attractive New Building in a Traditional Falklands Style**
There is only one nomination in this category, and this will remain confidential until the awards ceremony.
- 7. Most Attractive Conversion of a Temporary Unit**
Sarah & Christopher Ford, The Gift Shop, Sheila & Terence McPhee, John & Eileen Smith
- 8. Best Landscaping Project**
Pump Green, Ron & Sue Buckett's front garden
- 9. Special Contribution to the man-made Beauty of the Falklands**
North Camp Track, West road
- 10 Biggest Transformation since Previous Awards - £100 cash prize**
Rincon Ridge, Nut Cartmell's House



MAY, 1995 will see the presentation of the Beautiful Falklands Awards and, if all goes according to plan, Penguin News will take great pleasure in displaying the more attractive aspects of our Islands across their centre pages.

The awards are offered every two years with properties, both in Stanley and the Camp, being eligible for nomination. Many categories such as 'Most attractive conversion of a temporary unit' and 'Preservation or restoration of a building site or site of historic interest' optimistically remind us that all structures large or small, functional or historic can be made attractive with a little bit of imagination.

A stroll around the Stanley streets shows that the majority of the population take pride in their houses and gardens and delight in the bright colours that make the visage of Stanley so unique.

Unfortunately however, not all sights are so delightful. On a quick tour around the town this week it was obvious that certain areas of Stanley, both public and private, have been badly neglected. Large areas of land are littered with shipping containers, old vehicles, pallets and other industrial junk. Granted many of these areas are designated for Industrial use, however if containers are semi-permanent then would it not be

reasonable to expect a certain amount of clever disguise? - it can be done as the awards prove.

A prime piece of reclaimed land, adjacent to the Government Dockyards, on our generally attractive water front has unfortunately become yet another industrial storage site with yet more 'not so attractive' containers. Let's hope that the proposal to designate this area 'Public Open Space' (ref: A Draft Town Plan, 1995) is implemented sooner rather than later.

Many vacant, privately owned plots of land have been utilised as private rubbish tips and storage space for odds 'n' ends which 'may come in handy someday'. Peat sheds, garden sheds and garges boast strips of rusting tin and broken windows. Fences, especially those enclosing back gardens are, more often than not, broken and unpainted. Thigh high grass barely hides piles of rotting wood and vehicle tyres.

The 'Biggest Transformation Since Previous Award' category gives our specially chosen candidates for this page a 'foot in the door' for next years prize. Maybe an additional 'Public' section could be incorporated to encourage government departments to do their best as well.

Text and photos by Lisa and Lisa



Report on Monday's Councillors' Public Meeting

£1,000 a day mystery man puts councillors on the spot

CONTAINERS, planning permission, old peoples' accommodation, the National Stud Flock, the state of Stanley roads and the MPA road were just some of the principal topics that came up for discussion at a well-attended public meeting in the Junior School on Monday night, when Councillors, Cheek, Teggart, Halford and Birmingham took the floor to answer questions from their constituents.

The meeting took place in an atmosphere that was on the whole, relaxed and fairly congenial. The only time that the four councillors appeared to be completely floored was when they were asked by Donald Jaffray to comment on claims by a visiting Health and Safety Consultant that he was receiving £1,000 per day. While expressing grave doubts about the sum involved, (see story elsewhere in this paper for a full explanation) Cllr Cheek, acting as spokesman for the rest, had to admit that while they must have approved the recruitment of any such consultant, they could not at the time remember anything about him.

(What follows is not a verbatim account, but a summary of the main points raised and the answers given)

Containers & Planning

Mike Rendell opened the meeting with a query about the containers sited in the PWD dockyard to the rear of the Councillors Office. Cllrs Teggart and Halford, into whose areas of responsibility such matters come, assured the questioner that the continued presence of these containers had been brought up before the Planning and Building Committee, without particular objections being raised.

Cllr Cheek and later Cllr Birmingham, both agreed that whatever the regulations might demand, Government had a duty to set an example in improving the appearance of the town, particularly where, as in this case, such improvement could be achieved at the cost of a few hours crane hire.

The debate grew at this point to encompass some of the wider issues of town planning, which some members of the audience clearly regarded as unnecessary. Cllr Teggart said that control over new building was clearly necessary, but pointed out that nothing could be done under the present circumstances about buildings, temporary or permanent, which

were in existence prior to the establishment of planning regulations. In answer to doubts about the qualifications of the members of the Building and Planning Committee, she said that it was composed of members chosen for their interest and qualification in this field. However, she stressed, there was currently a vacancy on the Committee for which they were seeking nominations and she hoped that anyone who felt strongly on the subject would come forward.

Old Peoples' Home

Nick Hadden raised the next topic, asking councillors what the current thinking was on the provision of an old peoples' home.

In reply, Cllr Cheek said that Government had carried out a survey among the over 65s, which had indicated a requirement for more sheltered accommodation, but had revealed only one person in that age group who wanted to be in an old people's home, though he added that there were a number who favoured this sort of accommodation for other people.

The validity of these findings was challenged by a number of people in the hall, including Cllr Halford, who said she had filled in the questionnaire on her parents' behalf.

Asked by Nick Hadden whether the hospital was the only facility at present for old people who could no longer look after themselves, Cllr Cheek agreed that it was. Mr Hadden said that he could not think of anything more depressing or demoralising than having to stare at four walls of a hospital ward for the last 5 or 6 years of life.

Cllr Teggart said that it was something that had to be looked at. Old people talked about "fruitless questionnaires", but they "don't want an old folks home and they don't want to live in one." This attitude created a dilemma for the administration, who had to decide whether they should "take a chance to spend out, probably a couple of million pounds" on building an old peoples' home and then commit the tax payer in the Falklands to a very heavy annual financial outlay for the provision of all the required staff from nurses to cooks and cleaners.

The suggestion was made by Cllr Birmingham that perhaps the hospital administration could be moved upstairs to provide accommodation for old people on the ground floor in a dedicated wing. Mr Hadden and others pointed out that this was remarkably like the pre-war arrangement when there

had been an old persons' wing in the hospital, which many present felt had been an ideal system, making economical use of both nursing, ancillary and domestic staff.

Mr Cheek challenged the adequacy of the old arrangements and doubted whether they would be acceptable today for reasons of insurance.

Mr Cheek said that the Chief Medical Officer was currently writing a report on the care requirements of the whole community and if it was thought that the information provided by the questionnaire was wrong or misleading, then he should be told to stop writing. However, he warned that to embark upon a new study, which might as some present had suggested, include a wider age bracket, would inevitably lead to further delay in anything being done.

National Stud Flock

Robin Lee rose to ask the panel of councillors, what figures they had been working from, when they had made the decision to site the National Stud Flock at Saladero and what they estimated to be the setting up costs involved.

In reply, Councillor Cheek said that he did not think that anyone had been interested in the actual cost of the operation. No one wanted to see more sheep deaths and this had been their primary concern.

Mr Lee said that as far as he was aware, Falklands Landholdings had been the only party consulted in the decision-making process, who had produced figures to back up their case - figures which indicated that the choice of Saladero rather than Swan Inlet, would involve considerable extra cost to FIG.

When asked by Mr Lee, Cllr Cheek declined to hazard a guess at what the cost of the operation might be. He said that being for the most part ignorant of farming matters, Council had taken the advice of the Stud Flock Advisory Committee and the Agricultural Dept. "We simply asked about what was the best. We didn't ask about cost".

Robin Lee said that he was "gob smacked" that such a decision had been taken without reference to the costs involved.

Cllr Teggart reiterated the position stated by Cllr Cheek, saying that if, as events of the last year had indicated, councillors were going to be held ultimately responsible for the welfare of these sheep, then their attitude was that

they were going to go for the best. She would rather have them shot than have them put somewhere where they would suffer.

Angus Jaffray told the meeting that he had shepherded Brenton Loch for two years and thought that the decision to put the NSF there was "ridiculous".

In answer to a question put by Neil Watson about the future of Sealion Island after the NSF sheep had finally been removed from there, Cllr Cheek said that it belonged to FIDC and was nothing to do with councillors.

Poaching in FICZ

In answer to a question about the treatment of Argentine registered vessels caught fishing in Falklands waters, Cllr Cheek said that, if caught, they would be escorted out rather than arrested. He did not think that the Argentine authorities would register the boats of other nationals simply in order that they might break our regulations without being arrested. Poaching had not, in any case been much of a problem for the last year or two and boats fishing illegally generally fled before an arrest might be possible.

Health and Safety Consultant

As indicated at the beginning of this piece, no answers were available from councillors at the meeting on this topic or on related matters raised by Patrick Watts. The subsequent response from the administration may be found elsewhere in this edition.

Albmarle Oil Problem

Angus Jaffray asked Cllr Birmingham how it was proposed that the problem of leaking oil stored at the old sealing station at Albmarle was going to be resolved, given the need for heat to make it flow into drums for removal.

Cllr Birmingham agreed that heat would probably be required and reported that there were some 18000 gallons to be removed, which at present were stored in an old 'Braithwaite' tank.

With tongue firmly in cheek, Cllr Birmingham said that it had been suggested that an "expert" should be brought down from the UK, but he was confident that there was the expertise in the Islands to remove the oil.

The other councillors present agreed that the problem should be speedily resolved and admitted that the responsibility for so doing belonged to FIGs and not to the land owner, Mr Leon Bernsten.

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DIARY OF A FARMER'S CAT by Baldrick Wilkinson

No wedding for Baldrick!

GADZOOKS - a chap can't even snatch a quick catnap round here without being rudely awakened and frogmarched (catmarched??) to the Amstrad. As if not going to that wedding wasn't enough to dampen a chap's enthusiasm for life...

I've behaved myself, honest I would. I'd have made a speech to be proud of, and nothing to make anyone blush, either. Instead of which I've been told to keep the Missus company, 'cos she can't make it. Sheesh - baby-sitter I am not, or companion, come to that. Lousy company she'll be, anyway silly old bat. Loves weddings, she does. (Beats me why women howl at weddings, but still say they enjoy 'em Doesn't add up, does it?)

We did have a few good days this week, when some people from down the track came to collect rams and stayed overnight. Quite chatty with me, they were. Along with them, there was chap came here on a motorbike to see the Missus about making a jumper for him. He was a good egg, too. Liked cats, he did. Shows sense, that. His motorbike conked out on the

way home, so he was stuck here for an extra couple of nights which he hadn't bargained for, poor bloke.

Another visitor this week, apart from the tree-planting doctor friend of ours (who's still here, slogging away but creaking slightly when he gets home at night) was a scruffy looking cattle egret. In my book, that means winter is properly with us. (Though I must say, this mild sunny weather makes a liar of me.)

Had a chat with this funny looking bird, after he'd got his breath back. Hunched up on the garden fence he was, shoulders sunk into his tatty feathers. Reminded me of the Missus in one of her down moods, when I first saw him. She tends to sit all hunched up and sorry for herself.....

Anyway, this bird tells me he's flown all the way from South America. Funny accent he had, but quite good English for all that. Seems he'd fallen out with his girlfriend, taken of for a short flight to give things a chance to cool off - but got blown out to sea.... Flapped like blazes, he had, to try and get home again - but the wind was the wrong way.. Flown for ages, he

had, and was nearly done in when, to quote:

"I saw thees Islands a long, long way always, an' I theenk to myself: 'Rodriguez old son, you better flap mighty hard, my friend', else you gonna mees thees place and then you gonna be sunk for sure. Not even Senor Di Tella weel be able to save you from ze watery grave...' So I flap like hell, an' here I am, Balders ol' chap."

Nice bird, really. Got some spunk, too, flying all that way. I had to keep telling myself that he wasn't just South American fast food, and that I should concentrate on the old entente cordy-wotsit for the good of the Islands...

Not much entente anything round these parts, other than me and my pal Rodders. No one else has much time to talk to me, what with the Boss and our doctor friend hard at work planting trees so they can get away in good time to get to The Wedding, and the Missus busy punching those blasted card things for knitting machines. By Jimmy, I hate those little round bits of plastic she scatters everywhere. Get under your claws, they do, not to mention up your nose. Some-

times she forgets to empty the punch thing in time, and then it explodes and sends millions of those round bits all over the place. Then she sort of squawks, kicks something, gets out the mini Hoover thin and makes a bloomin' row clearing up the mess. Only to do it all over again, an hour or so later...

Anyway, enough of this; I'm gonna wander off and see if old Rodders is still around. I'm better off talking to a bird than I am trying to get in the old girl's good books. The Boss doesn't help things, of course. He and our doctor friend were discussing their journey Down the Track, and the doctor asked the Boss if he would be taking an ordinary jack? Or perhaps an air bag?

The Boss paused for a split second - and then said No, he wasn't taking the air bag. She was staying at home, he said..

Oops...

Cheers, chays

Baldrick

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FIG Policy Document

Patrick Watts complimented councillors on the recently issued document outlining what FIG hope will become HMG policy on the Falklands, but asked whether the stated aim of "secure independence" in Policy 2 represented a consensus of Islander opinion and asked "under what conditions could we be independent?"

Cllrs agreed that this was a very long term aim, indeed Cllr Cheek expressed the view that it was not something that he would have to worry about in his lifetime and to be achieved would depend on many things, including the dropping of the sovereignty claim by Argentina, which at the moment stood as a barrier to our achieving independence.

Cllr Teggart said that independence had to be seen as a legitimate ultimate goal, which was being hindered at present by the Argentine claim. This was why she had mentioned it in her address to the United Nations.

Access of Argentine Journalists to the Falklands Referring to a suggestion made by Graham Bound recently, Patrick Watts asked councillors their views on allowing Argentine journalists into the Falklands, other than those who held passports from other countries.

Replying, John Cheek said that councillors did not share Graham Bound's view on this, but made it clear that their objections were to allowing into the Falklands anyone holding the passport of a country which persisted in claiming sovereignty over us against our wishes. It was the passport that was objectionable, not the person. As far as he was concerned, if President Menem himself wished to come here using a Syrian passport, if he has one, then he would be welcome.

Roads

There were a number of questions about roads leading from a discussion of FIG spending and the recent request to LegCo for additional funds made by the Financial Secretary.

With regard to the MPA road, there was some discussion as to whether or not the completion of the black-topping programme would reduce the number of accidents on the MPA road. Opinions were divided about this, but Cllr Teggart defended the expenditure of the £3m that this would cost by saying that it had to be done now while we could afford it.

Returning to an earlier topic, Nick Hadden questioned FIG's priority in spending £3m on improving a road, when they would not spend a million or so on an old peoples' home.

Application For Grant Of Justices Licence

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I, DAVID JAMES CLARKE of 17 Ross Road West, Stanley, Falkland Islands, a driver employed by Public Works Department have made application to the Licensing Justices for the grant of a Justice's Licence in respect of CLARKE'S ROADSIDE INN M.P.A Road, East Falkland.

The application will be heard at 9.00am by the Licensing Justices sitting at the Town Hall, Stanley on the 9th of May 1995.

Any person intending to oppose the application should give notice of his intended opposition to the applicant and the Clerk to the Licensing Justices not later than 3 clear days before the hearing date.

DAVID JAMES CLARKE

Joan's dining room houses Fox Bay's past

DINING in company has taken on a new meaning recently at Hambleton House, Stanley home of Museum and National Trust, Chairman, Joan Spruce.

Joan has been using her dining room to store an exhibition on the history of Fox Bay East that she has been putting together for the Falklands Mill, until such time as

it can be shipped out there. Now from around the walls, bunches of bearded shepherds, gangs of shearers, giggles of girls and matrons in starched aprons stare down, as well as one or two moustached managerial types, whole flocks of sheep and a good herd of cattle and horses.

The heart of the exhibition, which is attractively mounted on



Joan with a small part of the exhibit

hessian clad boards and has taken Joan some months to complete, is a magnificent collection of photographs, taken at Fox Bay East in the 1890's by a John Goodhart, who is believed to have been the farm manager at the time. The collection was presented to the Museum about two years ago by his nephew, Commander GA Goodhart RN, and now, painstakingly researched and labelled by Joan, illustrates every aspect of life in Fox Bay during this period.

The idea for the exhibition came from FIDC, as part of the attempt to present the Falkland Mill as a tourist attraction and will complement other exhibits, such as reconstructions of the Fox Bay Government Office and the interior of a typical Camp shanty, which are planned for the Visitor Centre there.

It was, says Joan, one of those "could you just?" requests, which can take over your whole life. Certainly it seems to have taken over her whole dining room!



The photos cover all aspects of Fox Bay life in the 1890s

AS I SEE IT by Gail steen

Teaberry cake with chocolate icebergs

The buds are budding, the hens are on the nest, the ewes are giving birth - and I must be hallucinating. Last week the weather was so spring like it nearly had me believing Easter celebrations in this part of the world, really do celebrate the return of spring. The season of rebirth.

These illusions will soon spring back to reality, and the experienced old noses among us will have detected that familiar crispness that heralds the start of winter. Some of us will have stocked up on chocolate eggs and baked an Easter cake, all decorated in the traditional style with yellow chicks and baby rabbits.

I often think how odd it is, that our ancestors, who brought their customs and traditions from the old country in the north to the new in the south never changed a few details, and even odder how we still perpetuate the myths that chickens and lambs are born at the beginning of winter and that it snows at Christmas.

Maybe the military personnel who celebrate Christmas in June, are not really as odd as some of us think they are. Eggs symbolise rebirth - the return of spring in pagan times, or the Resurrection for Christians.

It is not the observance of the Resurrection I find odd, but that the customs from Pagan times expressing joy at the springtime renewal of life, should persist in this southern land.

The name Easter is said to be derived from Eostre, the northern goddess of the spring, who, according to the monastic chronicler Bede, was worshipped by the Pagan Anglo-saxons. Where does that leave us southerners? Why do we subscribe to the fluffy yellow chicks and gambolling white lambskins myth?

After all, what self respecting chick or lamb native to these southern climes would poke its nose or beak from its warm prenatal nest at this time of year?

Perhaps we should introduce a little bit of southern authenticity, start a few more customs more in keeping with the time of year. How about chocolate icebergs or chocolate snowballs! A delicious taste at Easter of the not so delicious time we will have in the next few months; and the traditional cake should, of course, be a teaberry one artfully decorated with a little sprig of the vine. This would signify the last of our wild harvest and give this delicious berry higher profile. So - if some entrepreneur has chocolate snowballs and teaberry cake for sale next

year - just remember, you read it here first!

In the early years of the colony, I doubt any but the rich and connected had means or access to the un-imported variety of eggs, from such establishments as Harrods, and even if they had the means, the infrequency of ships would put all but the most judicious planner in the same eggless state.

Which, knowing the resourcefulness of our forebears, was probably rectified by a variety of ways and means.

I remember the Easter mornings of my childhood were highlighted by the appearance of some very hard boiled eggs, the shells painted with colourful patterns and swirls equal to a Van Gogh painting.

With these masterpieces clutched firmly in our hands my brother and I would run along the street to the top of the Rose Hill; with much prodding and pushing, accompanied by shrieks of laughter and cries of 'cheat' we would roll the eggs to the bottom.

After an egg had been declared the winner we would sit on the grass verge, remove the few remaining pieces of shell, pick out the pieces of grit and muck and after a quick wipe over on the seat of the pants, eat them - I cannot remember an egg that tasted better!

These days we import all the Easter paraphernalia found in the shops in UK. Scraps of yellow fluff with wire twigs for legs and chocolate eggs by the dozen. In years to come we will probably still be buying and hiding them away to be lovingly delivered on Easter morning (accompanied by indulgent parental clucking) into the eager fists of chirping offspring.

Talking of things egg-like reminds me of one, very out of touch, aspiring egghead. Alex Betts portrays us as a closed island society unable or unwilling to develop varied points of view or different outlooks. A view anyone knowing us would vigorously refute.

We are as well informed and knowledgeable of world affairs as any community of the so called advanced nations, and we are not as easily brainwashed, as Alex appears to have been. He misses the point entirely if he thinks we want to be 'controlled' by anyone other than ourselves.

I suppose we should be grateful he chose to widen his personal horizons and disappeared over ours. He would certainly never have attained such dizzy heights in the political arena if he had

stayed in the Falklands, which shows our judgment of character to be far superior than his chosen benefactors.

I've heard of aspiring actresses reaching unimagined heights via the casting couch but the story of an ex union man getting a leg up the continental political ladder via the boudoir of a certain LADE officials maid, whether by design or coincidence, must surely strike a blow for mens equality! Local knowledge is a wonderful thing - isn't it?

To get back to pleasanter thoughts, maybe celebrating rebirth and the affirmation of our birthright with the symbolic egg is not such a bad idea after all.

I imagine a fairly long and perhaps difficult conception and incubation period has preceded the production of the 'Policy Recommendations for any Present or Future British Government' document.

This time the fertility must have been high, the cells active and combined with the correct balance of nutrition and exercise the end result must have everyone, apart from the most pessimistic, smiling, contentedly ruffling our feathers, and even indulging in a bit of preening.

I have not yet read the document in its entirety, but agree with all the policies as reported in PN of 8 April. I was particularly encouraged by policies 4 and 6, for me these indicate a movement away

from the 'ignore it and it might go away' attitude, which has got us nowhere in past years.

I look forward to these policies coming alive off paper, and to the time when we reach 'secure independence'.

Also, to see how the campaign to influence and educate public opinion in Argentina will evolve. Will we extend this campaign to the whole of the South American continent?

Favourable influence from other countries within South America would not come amiss. While we may not need links with Argentina - life would be less harassing if a more neighbourly climate existed.

I feel the world would be better off without military junta's and people like Galtieri, but despite everything I cannot generate in myself a universal dislike of an entire nation of people just because they are Argentinean, and I hope that if policy six is implemented fully that spin offs like friendship and mutual understanding will occur.

Councillors and F.I.G. officials formulating these policies have shown considerable insight and have obviously combined the abundance of opinion and aspiration into a document truly reflective of Falkland feeling.

I congratulate them on the birth of these policies, and I hope the future does not trample their good intentions.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons to fill the post of Assistant Secretary in the Falkland Islands government Office in London.

The successful applicant will be responsible to the Establishments Secretary in Stanley for all matters associated with the recruitment of contract staff for FIG and to the Representative for the day to day control of the London Office budget and accounts.

The successful candidate must be a good communicator with experience of dealing with members of the public on a broad scale. This position would suit a well organised person with an administrative background who is capable of working with minimal supervision. Good keyboarding skills are essential. The successful candidate may be required to undertake instruction and training in recruitment and selection.

Salary is in Grade G5 which currently ranges from £15,684 to £18,648 per annum. A London Allowance of £5340 per annum is also payable.

Interested persons should contact the Establishments Secretary to obtain further information, a job description and an application form. Completed forms should be returned to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat by 4.30pm on Friday 21st April 1995.

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Due to present health circumstances, I regret that the arranged group tour to Stockholm, Sweden, Aland and Helsinki, has been cancelled for 1995. The appropriate tour operators have accepted our interest, therefore the tour will be re-planned for 1997, after the Island Games on Jersey. Up-to-date information will be publicised nearer the time. My apologies to all those people who confirmed an interest.

Burned Peck

I would like to thank everyone who sponsored and supported me for the London Marathon. I hope to have raised £1000 for Great Ormond Street Childrens Hospital in memory of Simon Summers.

Thank you everyone
Nina Aldridge, 38 Berewecke Rd, Winchester

Commonwealth Scholarships: New Zealand

Falkland Islands residents interested in undertaking post-graduate studies in New Zealand during the 1997 academic year, should contact the Education Office for details. Applications must reach the Director of Education by September 1995 to be considered for a scholarship.

Director of Education

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Salary is in Grade G0/1/2 ranging from £6,516 per annum in Grade G0 to £10,572 per annum at the top of Grade G2, entry point being dependent on age, qualifications and previous relevant experience.

Full details may be obtained from the Education Office and application forms are available from the Secretariat. Completed forms should be returned to the Establishments Secretary, Secretariat by 4.30 pm on Monday 17th April 1995.

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PERSONAL



**Jordan
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Happy birthday to our darling son Jordan. With lots and lots of love from Mummy and Daddy.

To our special little Grandson Jordan on his 1st birthday love, hugs and kisses from Grandma and Grandad Betts and Nanny and Grandad Phillips

Happy 1st Birthday. Hope you have a lovely day. With love always Auntie Cherilyn and Auntie Glynis

To Ron and Fiona
Have a wonderful day. Sorry I can't make it I was looking forward to making that speech. But love anyway from the Missus and me
Baldrick xxxxxxxxx

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POSTSCRIPT FROM The Bahai's

OF ALL the problems we have to deal with, probably hate is one of the worst, to a great extent because hating is so hard on the hater. Sometimes it may even happen that the hated person doesn't even know that there is a problem. On the other hand, hating can sour one's whole personality.

Perhaps this is why we read in the Lord's Prayer - "Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us."

And in the Baha'i Writings: "Let not your heart be offended with anyone. If someone commits an error and wrong towards you, you must instantly forgive him."

For those who think about such things, the commandment to forgive others is often seen as a counsel of perfection, something which can be obeyed by saints but not many others. On the other hand, it would be more realistic to view it as a form of self-defence.

For not only can hatred discolour our whole point of view, it sometimes causes us to become ill. Such powerful destructive feelings are among the most dangerous types of stress, which may in certain instances reduce our resistance to disease.

Other forms of hatred can be still more destructive. The terrorist who shoots or bombs innocent people usually believes his hatred to be entirely justified. He may even be willing to sacrifice himself to his own bomb. But the effect is a blind, unthinking vengeance against mankind as a whole, represented by the guiltless, and frequently indiscriminate victims of his attack.

Group hatred inspired by events long past is the most contradictory of all. Peace is a by-product of reconciliation, of coming together in a spirit of mutual forgiveness. Obviously mankind cannot have it both ways. One wonders at the tendency, in so many parts of the world, to prefer hatred to peace.

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Sure to go off with a bang

TRADITIONALLY in Stanley, the birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II is marked each year by a Public Holiday, a military parade and a salute from the guns on Victory Green.

This year will be no exception and on Wednesday morning, under the watchful eye of FIDF's PSI, Mike Hanlon, veteran gunner, Freddie Ford, was instructing a new FIDF team in the art of making a ceremonial big bang.

The new team consists of Saul Pitaluga, Zane Hirtle and Gerard Ford, all young men and, according to Freddie capable of seeing the job done right, as he has, for many years to come.

Residents and workers along Ross Road will be able to confirm that they seemed to have got it right on Wednesday morning, producing three very loud bangs and an impressive quantity of smoke.

Our picture shows Zane Hirtle preparing to remove the gun's firing mechanism for safe-keeping until Friday, while Gerard Ford gives the barrel a final run through with the ram rod. The firing mechanism includes an impressively antique-looking brass pistol grip.



A chance to establish public relations with Shandwick

A TEAM from PR firm, Shandwick Consultants Ltd arrive in the Falklands on April 25.

Jacaranda Germing, Marcus Smith, Charles Skeeles and Juliet Carey are the public relations team who will be attempting to strengthen British commitment to the Islands by building up a desirable image of the Falklands and its people. Shandwick have described their task as a "hearts and minds campaign directed primarily inwards towards the UK opinion formers..."

In a description of their relevant capabilities Shandwick include, international lobbying, the oil business, international account management and budgeting and

country awareness programmes for business development/inward investment and tourism.

Shandwick have played key roles in a number of international projects. The 'Invest in Finland Bureau' (IFB) was set up by the Finnish Government in 1991 to promote Inward investment into Finland. Shandwick's role is to promote the IFB in UK. They have "researched and produced an extensive database of target companies and developed and co-ordinated a detailed programme of media relations and contact marketing for the IFB."

Shandwick has worked with the Scottish Development Agency to raise the level of awareness of

Scotland as a business location. The company is also aiming to reinforce and communicate the position of the City of London as the world's leading financial centre.

During their visit, the company representatives will examine many aspects of Falklands life. There will be meetings with Councillors and officials, visits to Camp, including Sealion Island and the North Camp, Cable and Wireless FIC and local businesses, the schools, the museum and government departments.

On Monday May 1 there will be a Public Meeting in the Junior School hall, at 7pm, which it is hoped that many will attend.

Menem breaks silence on "dirty war"

A REPORT by Gabriella Gamini in *The Times* of April 5, suggests that Argentine President, Carlos Menem, is abandoning the "forgive and forget" stance on the issue of human rights abuse during the years of military dictatorship, which he has maintained since taking office in 1990.

President Menem has admitted that he saw bodies of tortured political opponents thrown from navy ships into the River Plate during the "dirty war" waged by the military junta against so-called "subversives", in the 70s.

The report claims that Menem, briefly imprisoned by the regime in 1976 because of his left-wing activities, was one of the few released alive. "Bodies were regularly flushed down the river," he told the *Pagina 12* daily newspaper. "I remember seeing this when I was held on a navy ship anchored at the Buenos Aires port. Those who died after torture sessions were disposed of."

"At night, we could see rows of prisoners, with hoods covering their faces, being brought on board. Next we heard horrific screams from the galleys below that were used as torture chambers," he said.

President Menem has come under increasing criticism only weeks before the May 14 polls for his forgive-and-forget stance regarding those officers accused of killing and torture. He now appears keen to show a change of attitude.

Rolling in style along the West Roads

NO SOONER had the link to Chartres settlement from the West Falklands road been completed by White Rock Ltd on Thursday afternoon, before flamboyant West Falkland councillor, Bill Luxton, was taking advantage of it to liberate his beloved Rolls Royce from the confines of the settlement paddocks, for a spin on the open road. Pictures and full story next week.



ONE of the most satisfying things for me, after a week spent crouched over a word processor, is to stroll along the pavement outside the West Store on a Saturday morning and observe the number of vehicles in which someone is sitting, lost to the world, deep into their newly purchased *Penguin News*. Clearly for a sizeable number of Stanley's population, the purchase and perusal of the *Penguin News* has become part of their Saturday morning ritual.

I sincerely hope that all these hunched and silent figures are not just reading the TV programmes for the week, but are finding something else in the paper to inform, amuse or otherwise arouse their interest. Hitherto I have had no way of telling what, if anything, people enjoy about the *Penguin News* and have been somewhat coy about asking individuals for fear of forcing them into a false, but polite response.

In today's edition, as you may have already discovered, there is questionnaire in the centre pages, designed to change all that. While we cannot guarantee to accommodate the wishes of every reader, if we are sufficiently aware of peoples' present likes and dislikes, it will enable us to assess where change may be needed.

Already we have some changes planned for the near future. One of them is to change our publication day to Wednesday. It is a matter for simple observation that very many of the news-worthy happenings in the Falklands, be they meetings, weddings, sporting events or whatever, happen towards the end of the week or at the weekend. For reasons, which we regret, but cannot escape, *Penguin News* has to go to press a few pages at a time throughout the week, so by Friday, quite often, all that we have left by way of space is the front and back pages. (What that means, quite simply, is that were we to be invaded again on a Friday, we would probably not be able to run the story or publish any photographs of the event till eight days later.) Changing the date of publication to Wednesday allows us two more days in the week, Saturday and Sunday, when we won't have to rush into print, but when we will have the time to gather news and sort out priorities.

Camp subscribers should also get their news fresher and their TV pages in time to be of use. Our growing number of overseas subscribers should also benefit from earlier posting opportunities. The only thing that might suffer is the Saturday morning *Penguin News* ritual on Ross Road. Maybe those silent readers in rovers should really be inside the West store, helping wives to carry the groceries, anyway!

A FURTHER thought on the National Stud Flock site debate. Speaking at the recent public meeting on councillors' determination to avoid responsibility for any more NSF sheep deaths, Cllr Halford asked who counted the cost to Government when they went to the hospital for treatment. She's right in supposing that nobody does, of course, but then, the hospital is not allowed to contemplate the possibly cheaper and kinder option of having some of us put down!

OCIDO DA TELLA

18 April 1995

Mr John Fowler
The Editor
Penguin News
Port Stanley

Dear Sir,

On Friday 21 April you will be celebrating the anniversary of Her Majesty the Queen. It is an important and meaningful occasion to all Islanders, one which gathers your hearts and minds around the much beloved figure of your Queen

As a sign of respect towards your loyalties, we would like to join you in your celebrations, at a time when the Argentine and British people are doing their best to develop further the already excellent relations that exist between them.

Please receive my best wishes,

John Fowler

YOUR LETTERS

Mike sets us straight

FALKLANDS CONSERVATION recently published its annual report on seabird monitoring and a copy was sent to *Penguin News*, which they used to write the article in the 15th April edition. It is clearly difficult to condense a 26 page report into a few paragraphs without altering the meaning, and there are a couple of points I would like to clarify.

The report states that the Falklands population of albatross is estimated to be about 400,000 breeding pairs, however the article quotes 15,000. This is in fact the figure for Westpoint Island only. All other figures quoted in the article are correct.

Secondly, the report states that the food species are squid, fish and lobster krill, NOT "lobster and krill" as stated in the article. Lobster krill is a small shrimp-like creature belonging to the order

"Decapod". It is not related to the true "krill", and although it does resemble a lobster, is considerably smaller (only about 2 inches long).

The 1995 Report is available to anyone who wishes to see it. Copies of all the Falklands Conservation reports are held in the local library, or alternatively people may call into our office at the Beauchene shopping complex.

Finally in response to last week's letter suggesting that the skull was missing from the Bleaker Island whale, I enclose a close-up photograph of the skull, which can also be seen in front of me in 8th April article. I personally would not like to say whether this was the same whale seen earlier at North Arm.

Mike Bingham
Conservation Officer



Bad taste and an insult

WITH reference to your article in the centre of the current *Penguin News*, "Penguin News Candidates for the 1996 Biggest Transformation Awards".

I assume that the comment "Peat shed, garden sheds and garages boast strips of rusting tin and broken windows", refers to the picture of the property owned by Fortuna Ltd. If you had taken the care or interest then you would have noticed that the roof of this building has just been painted and also that the job of cladding the same building has been offered for tender over the radio recently. To pick a building owned by a company who in my opinion have spent a great deal of time and money on their properties in the last five years, and according to the offered tender intend to spend more in rather bad taste and I consider it to be an insult to Fortuna Ltd.

K J Reddick
Stanley

(The comment you quote did not specifically refer to this building, it being neither a peat shed, garden shed nor garage (there was actually a garden shed included in the photographs).

We are aware of Fortuna's excellent record in this area and the fact that they are intending extensive improvements to the building will make the old Globe Warehouse, a prime contender for the "biggest transformation award" in 96
Assistant Editor

Dirty tricks?

NOW THAT the fisheries dispute off the Grand Banks is more or less settled I wish to make it clear that the Spanish vessel "Estai" was in possession of all necessary authorisation to fish in the NAFO area when she was ILLEGALLY SEIZED by the Canadian authorities.

No proof of any undersized fish was found, neither was there any proof of so called secret cargo holds found aboard the vessel.

In short it was a planned dirty tricks campaign by the Canadians to grab for themselves a bigger share of the Halibut and it worked.

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'Electronic Wizardry' for the Hospital

MOST of us, if asked, could find a person's pulse in one or two obvious places like the neck or at the wrist, but even an experienced medical practitioner might have difficulty finding a pulse elsewhere in the body. This might not seem to be much of a problem, except that in the treatment of certain medical conditions, including diabetes, it is important for medical staff to be able to monitor the flow of blood to the patient's extremities.

On the evening of Thursday, April 6th, Dr Barry Elsby demonstrated to the Diabetes Support Group the use of a piece of very portable electronic wizardry, which uses something called the "Doppler Effect", to detect and amplify the flow of blood in even the most difficult places, so that it can be clearly heard and, if required, recorded on audio tape.

The ten or so members present, from an active membership of around twenty, seemed impressed as the much amplified sound of blood circulating round your reporter's foot echoed around the walls of the KEMH Day Centre



when Barry Elsby found the spot with a probe the size of a biro.

Unlike the small transistor radio, which it resembles, the "Dopplex" machine cost in the region of £400 and was presented to the KEMH by Diabetes Support Group President, Bill Roberts. It is totally portable and, according to Sister Jackie Earnshaw, can be

fitted with a number of different probes for different applications.

The money to purchase the machine was raised by the DSG in a number of ways, but the most outstanding single contribution, according to Group Treasurer Charlie Coult, came from Cara Ford's sponsored swim on which we reported last year.

Maisie and Ulrik - wedded at Montys

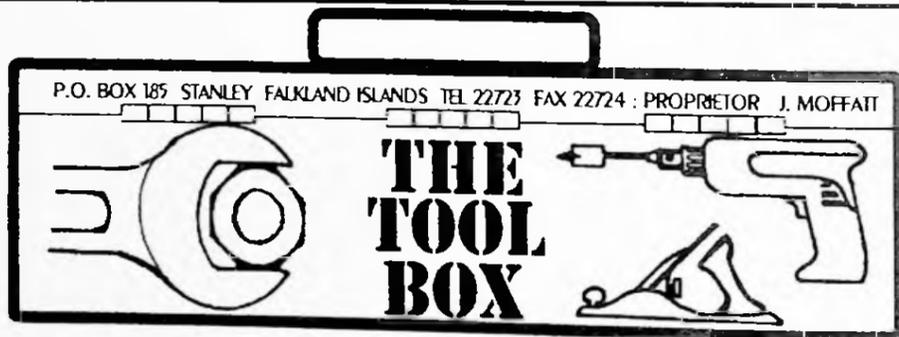
THE MONTAGUE HOUSE Restaurant was the scene of the marriage of Michelle Hirtle and Ulrik Eriksen on the evening of Saturday 15.

Michelle wore an ankle length dress with a skirt of white silk and lace combined with a bodice of black velvet. Michelle's veil was white edged with black and she carried a bouquet of black and white flowers.

Ulrik wore a black and white pinstripe suit with a white button-hole whilst his best man, Bert Ford wore a black suit and white shirt.

Michelle had three bridesmaids, Tina Hirtle (her older sister), Cerena Sornsen and Jade Taylor. Tina wore a short black dress with a pink and white headpiece and carried a bouquet of flowers in the same colours. Cerena wore an ankle length pink dress, the back decorated with a bow and carried pink and white flowers; whilst Jade wore a white silk dress with a matching hat.

The Bride was given away by her father Lloyd Hirtle.



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Looking beyond the status quo

LAST week saw the first visit to the Falklands of two British academics, Professor Victor Bulmer-Thomas and Professor Peter Beck, who since 1982 have frequently taken part in conferences and symposia in which the Falklands have been discussed, generally in the context of the economic and political tensions created by the sovereignty dispute.

Professors Beck and Bulmer-Thomas were invited to visit the Falklands at the invitation of the Government, an invitation prompted perhaps by Mr. Tatham, who used to meet them frequently during his earlier professional involvement with the Falklands, before becoming Governor

Of recent years, this government has made efforts to interest journalists, both British and foreign, in visiting the Falklands and the rationale behind the invitation to two of the leading academic "experts" on this part of the world was no doubt an extension of that policy. Unlike journalists, who may file their stories and move on to other topics, academics tend to remain with a subject throughout their working lives and any favourable opinions formed as a result of personal visit might reasonably be expected to be longer-lasting.

Probably because it was known that both professors were frequent visitors to Argentina, the 'street wisdom' in advance of their visit was that they were pro-Argentine and anti-Falkland Islands. To make such an assumption was probably unwise, given the impeccability of the academic credentials of the visitors. In fact, they appeared to be neither 'anti' nor 'pro', but very keen to learn as much as possible in the short time available.

Professor Bulmer-Thomas, who amongst other responsibilities, is Director of London University's Institute of Latin-American Studies does not claim to be a Falklands expert, though he is an expert on Latin America, an interest begun, perhaps, when he went to Belize as a VSO teacher in 1966.

Professor Peter Beck, who is currently Professor of International History at Kingston University, could hardly be accused of lacking knowledge on this part of the world, having written books and articles about the Falklands and Antarctica in what might be described as industrial quantities, the titles running into several pages of type.

"The Falkland Islands and Anglo-Argentine relations" is listed as one of Professor Beck's current research topics, along with such varied subjects as "Sport and Politics in Britain" and "Recent

Developments in History in Higher Education". Clearly he is a man of wide interests.

In a short interview for FIBS the two professors responded to the question "Why has it taken you so long to get here?" by pointing out that they had not been invited before. Professor Beck said that having been to Argentina three times since the Conflict, he had previously had "very one-sided view" and it had been both interesting and illuminating to come here to hear our side of the story at first hand. This process had, he thought, thrown up the interesting fact that there wasn't one Falkland Islands view, but several.

Professor Bulmer-Thomas said that one of his reasons for accepting the invitation to come here was that since 1982 there were now no longer only two players in the sovereignty dispute as a third player, the Falkland Islanders themselves had emerged and therefore to know the views of the Islanders was "crucial" to an understanding of this dispute and how it would develop in the future.

Both visitors offered the opinion that they had been struck by the self-confidence of the Islanders and also, in some cases, by their sophistication.

Professor Beck said that the experience of standing on Ross Road on a peaceful day had given him a greater insight into the shock that must have been caused to the Islanders by the invasion, thirteen years ago.

It was pretty clear that the war was a major turning point in the history of the Islands and although it was traumatic it did bring forward a number of developments, which led to a new degree of confidence and wealth, particularly through fishing, which would continue if oil exploitation became a reality.

Professor Bulmer-Thomas warned that an increase in population attending the development of an oil industry could lead to problems in determining what was the real Falklands view.

Agreeing, Professor Beck said that with the development of oil and the attendant threat to our natural environment, we would need to ensure that our management would have to be as good as it had been so far with fishing.

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NOTICE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Notice is hereby given that the following applications for planning permission have been received:

Reference No	Applicant	Development
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21/95/BP	F.I.G.	Erection of Plumbers' Workshop and Stores south of Stanley Power Station, Brandon Road West, Stanley.
22/95/BP	F.I. Museum & National Trust	Change of use from dwelling to museum annexe at "Cartmell Cottage", 7 Pioneer Row, Stanley.
23/95/BP	F.I. Museum & National Trust	Siting of Portakabin for storage of exhibits at the F.I. Museum, Britannia House, Holdfast Road, Stanley.
24/95/P	Mr G France	Provision of overhead telephone cable at site of future dwelling to be erected at 7 Snake Hill, Stanley.
25/95/BP	F.I.G.	Enlargement of front porch to provide separate entrances and two boiler houses also siting of 4 fuel tanks at Moody Street Flats, Brandon Street West, Stanley.

These applications may be inspected during normal office hours at the office of the Secretary to the Planning and Building Committee, Secretariat, Stanley. Comments on the applications should be made in writing and should be sent to the Building Adviser - Planning Officer, Building Control Office, Ross Road, Stanley, within 10 days of the date of this notice.

The next meeting of the Planning and Building Committee is due to be held on 4 May 1995 in the Liberation Room of the Secretariat, commencing at 1.30pm. Members of the Public may attend to observe the workings of the Committee.

The Secretariat
Stanley.

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As *Penguin News* approaches its first anniversary under new management, we ask our readers, how are we doing?



Seeking readers views on the Penguin News

For one reason and another, the last twelve months at *Penguin News* have been fairly hectic and there has not been much time for calm assessment of aims and objectives in the face of the weekly struggle simply to get the paper to the printer in time for publication on Saturday morning. In the course of the year, we have made some changes to the paper: for example we have introduced an Editorial Column and a monthly Magazine supplement, and we are shortly to change our publication day to enable us to be more up-to-the minute with our news reporting. For the most part, however, the *Penguin News* has followed the formula established by previous editors, without much reference to the views of you, our readers. This questionnaire is aimed at bringing you into the picture. By enabling us to know more about you and how you feel about the *Penguin News* at present, and by giving you the opportunity to express your hopes for the future, we would hope, in time, to be able to produce a weekly newspaper for the Falklands that truly meets the needs of its population. We know that filling in questionnaires is a bit of a chore, but sincerely hope that you will find the time to complete this one.

N.B. Your answers should be recorded on the answer sheet on page 8, which we hope you will then return to us, either by post or by placing it (or a photocopy) in the box provided in the Post Office. The whole family can answer the questions as long as each member confines his or her answers to the right column for their agegroup. Extra copies of the questionnaire can be obtained free from the *Penguin News* Office.

Your buying habits

1. Are you a regular *Penguin News* reader?
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10. Do you watch CNN News programmes?



Penguin News: Is it quite so funny or just sick?



Penguin News: Does it have anything for the younger reader?

Your reading habits

Which of the following articles do you read regularly?

11. Editorial
12. Sir Rex Hunt's UK Newsletter
13. Baldrick, Diary of a Farmer's Cat
14. As I see it, by Gail Steen
15. A Doctor Writes/Health Matters
16. Back Page Ads
17. Postscript
18. Letters to the Editor
19. Exco/LegCo Reports
20. Conservation/Nature Articles



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21. Have you ever sold anything through *Penguin News*?
22. Have you ever bought anything from a back page ad?
23. Do you read the large advertisements in *Penguin News*?
24. Has *Penguin News* advertising ever made a difference to where you shop?
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33. Do you think it provides a good coverage of local events?
34. Would you like to see *Penguin News* give more coverage of international events?
35. Should *Penguin News* contain more articles on local history and local people?
36. Do you think that the monthly magazine section has been an improvement?



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Penguin News: Does it capture your attention?

Survey Answer sheet

Please place a Y(Yes) or N(no) in the column indicated by your age group. Please return your completed answer sheet either by post to Penguin News or by placing it in the box provided at the Post office.

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Ex ENSA star visits the Falkland Islands

by Sq Ld David Ogg

BETTY HOCKEY the ex ENSA (Entertainments National Services Association) and "Non Stops" entertainer will visit the Falkland Islands from 21-26 April 1995.

The visit is being sponsored by the Department of Public Relations (Navy) within the MoD and the aim of the visit is to produce a TV programme of approximately 15 minutes, with Betty Hockey as the focus, including the CSE show and as many locations and Service personnel as possible.

At the start of world War 2, Betty was working in the local Army Records Office and her introduction to service entertainment was when her then boss, an Army major, formed a concert party to entertain the local Army units.

A short time later Betty was able to form her own entertainment troupe the "Non stops", who from 1940 - 1948 laid on shows for the allied Forces in Southern Command. During the war years the "Non Stops" performed in over 1000 shows, with audiences of up to 500 at a time.

Such was their repertoire that the cast of 16 could perform at the same venue for 4 shows without repeating any of their material.

Unusually, the "Non Stops" gave shows to German prisoners of war and many years later Betty was a guest of 2 German regiments, where the veterans wanted to show their appreciation and invited her to visit them in Germany.

By 1948 the advent of TV and the responsibilities of bringing up a family (Betty had married Cyril Hockey in 1938, and had a daughter, Gloria) saw the end of Betty's "High Kicks" and life assumed a more mundane routine.

For the last 20 years or so Betty has involved herself with a number of Service and Regimental Charities, work which has allowed her to renew her acquaintance with the Services and has given her numerous exciting and memorable moments.

She has driven a chieftan tank, taken the helm of the destroyers HMS Nottingham and HMS Glasgow and has travelled the world on

RAF aircraft. This visit to the Falkland Islands is a first for her, and she is looking forward to it immensely.

During this trip Betty will visit MPA, Mare Harbour, Stanley, San Carlos and Port Howard, will attend a Ladies Guest Night in the MPA Officers' Mess and attend the CSE Show on the 25th of April.

For a lady with no amateur or professional stage training to have organised and participated in entertaining over 150,000 service men and women over the war years is no mean feat and Betty is very proud that her efforts were recognised when, towards the end of WW2, Betty was honoured by Lieutenant General Crocker for her voluntary services in entertaining all branches of the Services in Southern Command.

VE Day Edition

On May 6, Penguin News will be putting out a special VE Day edition. If any

We would be interested in hearing from anyone with first hand accounts of life in the Falklands during World War II, pictures or stories to tell.

Falkland Islands Fisheries Department, 1995 Total Catch by Month, Metric Tonnes, March

Month	Loligo	Blue Whiting	Hoki	Kingclip	Toothfish	Red Cod	Skate/Ray	Others	Total	
Jan										
Feb	17686	6745	23	3575	328	30	184	101	11	28698
Mar	17709	24258	133	1034	1961	119	124	347	43	45761
Total	35395	31005	189	11969	2376	159	630	481	69	82334

1995 Catch by Nation, Metric Tonnes, March

	Spain	Falkland Islands	Japan	Korea	Taiwan	Others	TOTAL
Loligo	10787	3682	1			3239	17709
Blue Whiting	930	25	2409	20494	384	16	24258
Hoki						12	133
Kingclip						41	1034
Toothfish						87	1961
Red Cod						5	119
Skate/Ray						111	124
Others						10	347
TOTAL	14808	3717	2798	20515	384	3539	45761

Public Notice

The Planning and Building Committee

Nominations are invited from organisations and individuals for a person to serve as a member of the Planning and Building Committee. Public Officers are not eligible to be members of the Committee

Nomination forms for membership of the Committee are available from Simon Goss, Assistant Secretary (A), Secretariat, Stanley. Completed forms should be returned to him by Wednesday 10th May 1995.

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News in brief

Community School Managers Meeting

THERE WILL be a meeting of the Community School Managers on Tuesday April 25 at 9.00am. Any parents wishing to have matters raised at this meeting should contact the parents representatives, Mr John Fowler, Ms Jenny Luxton or the Chairman Mr Les Harris.

Funeral Notice

THE FUNERAL of the late Mr Steven Buckett took place on Tuesday 18 April at 2pm. The facts that we gave in our last edition regarding Stevens death were incorrect, in fact he died on 9 April at 9.45am. We offer our sincere apologies to the family for the errors.

Richard Goold-Adams, CBE

RICHARD GOOLD-ADAMS CBE, writer, broadcaster and founder chairman of the SS Great Britain project died on March 23 aged 79. Mr Goold-Adams was involved in the mission to rescue the SS Great Britain from its grave in the Falkland Islands, and to berth it in a dry dock in Bristol.

Fiona and Ron take the plunge

EASTER WEEKEND found Fox Bays East and West transformed into a positive hive of activity as frantic preparations for Ron Rozee and Fiona Dickson's wedding went on.

Guests were arriving from all directions with FIGAS bringing 39, and approximately 90 arriving overland. This influx more than trebled the normal population, but then, who was going to miss the opportunity to witness Ron and Fiona tying the knot.

Friday brought Ron's stag night and it should be noted that Ron had suffered sleepless nights before this event. The organisers of the Stag night, which actually started at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, thought Ron got off lightly, all due to the calming influence of Fiona's father, a former police inspector, which meant Ron was in good shape for the big day.

Meanwhile the ladies, on their hen run, put the evening to good use with Margaret Anderson doing a fantastic job on the flowers and everybody else managing to beautifully transform the hall.

Worries over Saturday's weather proved unfounded and the ceremony was held in Leon and Sharon Marsh' front garden. The bride was given away by her father to the accompaniment of



Fiona and Ron Rozee

Patrick Watts playing the wedding march on the guitar.

Fiona wore a champagne coloured silkskirt and matching jacket which her family had personally selected and brought with them from Scotland.

In attendance were Tamara Lang and Sammy Marsh who wore

duffy pink and burgundy dresses, respectively. Leon Marsh was best man and Ken Halliday performed the wedding ceremony - his tenth on West Falklands. John Blakeley and Joost Pompert were the official photographers.

The happy couple signed their marriage certificate amidst the

popping of champagne corks, after which the entire company moved to the Southern Cross Social Club for the reception which had been prepared in true West Falkland tradition with the people of Fox Bay and the guests providing a mouth-watering spread.

After Ron and Fiona had cut the cake, which was a gift from Candy and John Blakeley and which was made and beautifully decorated by Michelle Evans, the bride's father held the crowds attention with his witty speech, in which he recalled Ron's dare devil motorcycling exploits. The dance got going with a vengeance and went on into the small hours.

The couple would like to thank Patrick Watts for providing the equipment that allowed for live music and for his excellent guitar playing, plus excellent vocalists Day Peck, Sharon Marsh, also Jimmy Miller and Tony Blake for their toe tapping dance music on the accordion and lagerphone respectively, and Tim Stenning's version of "da do Ron Ron" will be in the Falklands Top Ten for quite some time.

Alan and Ann Dickson would like to thank everybody for attending, and for helping to make Fiona and Ron's day so special.

Lecture tour to Argentina: March 12 - 26, 1995

Our objectives were fulfilled Janet's own account

AS MOST of you know, Graham Bound and myself recently travelled to Argentina to conduct a series of lectures and presentations to various groups within the country. Our trip lasted two weeks and left us both physically and mentally exhausted at the end of it. However, we learnt a lot very quickly and feel that it is important to share some of the impressions we received.

Our tour covered various political, geographical and social reaches of Argentina. In Patagonia we met people in the wool trade, the fish processing trade, university lecturers, and the Welsh from Gaiman and Trelew. In Buenos Aires we gave presentations to the generally liberal young intellectuals and professional associations; in the heavily politicised Cordoba we met the hard-core nationalist and in Mendoza a mixture of all.

Our main format consisted of a 15 minute lecture on the radical political and economical developments in the Islands, addressing in the main the issue of self-determination and the move away from traditional colonialism. This was followed by question-and-answer sessions which varied from genuine interest in these developments, to persistent references to the minutiae of legal and historical events concerning the Argentine claim. On the whole our reception was welcoming, warm and extremely polite - in all cases it displayed an intense interest that was sometimes almost overwhelming.

On the whole we felt that our objectives were fulfilled. Many were surprised if not disbelieving, and were forced to re-consider their traditional view of the Falklands which dated to the 70's - a "kelper" nation, subjected wholeheartedly to the whims of the British Government, exploited and rustically ignorant of the benefits Argentina could afford.

Among the nationalists we frequently encountered the attitude: "It's not you we hate (-we love you-), it is Britain we despise", clearly ignorant of the fact that present day politics of the Islands is as much, or more, rooted in the Islands than it is in Britain. Among many - the young university students and various liberal groups, then some nationalists - there was sympathy for the Islander's view of Argentina.

The memories of the war, the threat posed by various declara-



Graham Bound y Janet Robertson, dos isleños entablándose locuciones con "vecinos".

This photo was taken from Los Andes newspaper from the city of Mendoza

tions from the Argentine Government (whether or not aimed at the domestic front), the fear of a cultural invasion if links were opened - were all to some extent or the other understood. But not so the fear of another invasion: the absolute belief in their democracy and the denial of the possibility of another military insurrection is the one pure, clear vision of their country held by nearly all Argentines.

Yet the indoctrination of school-children regarding the Falklands still persists; the usage of the Islands as a symbol of national integration and resistance to imperialism is strong and unlikely to fade in the near future.

It takes an independent mind to view the Falklands as something beyond a model of European colonialism. 56% of Argentines might not believe, according to a recent poll, that the Falklands will become Argentine property in the near future, but apparently relatively few would agree with one journalist who states that "in peace time, the reality is that Argentine rights over the islands are not indisputable (her emphasis) internationally and that there is no possibility of the islands being recuperated neither in the short-term nor in the medium-term".

those who are far more interested in talking to us, developing commercial and cultural exchanges with us, sovereignty to any particular conclusion. They may believe that the Falklands should belong to Argentina, but at the same time genuinely feel that developing relations of some nature will lead to the issue resolving itself naturally in any way that it may be.

For Graham and myself, there was no doubt in our minds that we had achieved something worthwhile even if it was to allow the nationalist academics to dream up arguments against self-determination - ("What about self-determination for the Argentines of 1833?"). At the very least it has made some think of a rational opposing point-of-view to their own. But where do we go from here?

This is not a question that I am qualified to answer and should really arise from the general consensus within the Islands. But clearly we have to plan for any eventual changes in the status quo, to consider what our future might be, and what place our nearest (and biggest) neighbour can realistically play in that future. After all, being either British or Falkland Islanders doesn't prevent us from being South Americans too.

Finally we would like to thank all those people who have supported us and encouraged us to carry out what might have been an unpleasant experience. As it was - the vino and the steaks haven't lost their flavour. Pricey though..

Beneath all the political views on the matter are also a number of



Janet and Grahame on tour in Argentina

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VACANCY

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PERSONAL

Ron and Sue Buckett and all the family would like to thank the many friends who sent cards and flowers and offered sympathy and understanding during a very difficult time following Steven's sudden death. Thank you all most sincerely

Ron and Fiona would like to thank:- Leon and Sharon for witnessing the wedding, being the best man, doing the Bride's make-up and hair and generally being wonderful hosts - again! Tamara and Sammy for being beautiful bridesmaids. Anne, Alan and Sharon for coming 8000 miles and bringing the dress! The Reverend Ken Halliday for performing the ceremony. Everyone in Fox Bay West and East for hosting guests. Everyone who donated towards the fantastic spread. Margaret for the flowers, the trout and mending the cake! All the girls who decorated the hall on Friday night while the women decorated Fiona (sorry Lucy). All the "stags" who were pretty easy on Ron - considering! Michelle Evans for making the yummy beautiful cake. Patrick, Dae and Sharon for the live wire guitars, Tim especially for "I Do Ron Ron"! Jimmy for his excellent accordion, and Tony on the lagerphone. John and Joost for the photography. Everyone who helped in the bar. FIGAS for all the flights.

Many thanks for all the beautiful presents and all the cards.

Lastly, a huge thank you to everyone who took the trouble (and expense) of attending on the 15th - You all helped to make our wedding such a perfect day - not forgetting P.C. Ted Hewitt.

NOTICES

Warrah Guest House, will not be open for evening meals after April 30 until further notice. Pauline and staff would like to thank everyone for their excellent support.

McKays Market

Until further notice McKays Market will only open Saturday afternoons 2-4pm or by arrangement with Katrina Stephenson, Tel: 21241. We have just opened new stock ex Anne Boye

The Tourism Office on the Public Jetty has closed for winter. We can be contacted on telephone no 22215 for bookings and information. The public toilets will still be open.

Nanette regrets she is unable to organise the annual 29th May anniversary party

Dancing's a Dangerous Game, for Motocrossers!

THE ELITE of the Falklands youth gathered together last Saturday night to witness the annual prize giving of the Falkland Islands Motorcycle Association. A dance that proved to be far more dangerous than moto cross racing.

The dance floor throbbed to the excellent music provided by Julie Clarke with everyone working up an appetite to be refreshed by Pauline Hawksworth's superb buffet.

One of the highlights of the evening must have been the raffle of a Honda CR500 moto crosser. The winning ticket was one hundred with Angie Bonner stuck on

the other end of it. A gallant knight in the form of Bill Stewart leapt to the aid of Angie to take the beast out of the hall. In a cloud of smoke and a roar of the exhaust all three disappeared down the hall ending up in a heap at the other end, typical of the lad as he has been doing the same thing all season.

The numerous cups and shields that our generous sponsors had donated were given out by Rowena Summers who had helped and supported the club all year.

Thanks to all our sponsors, helpers and landowners for a most successful season and to the FIDF for the use of the hall.

Moto Cross Awards 1995

The Best Newcomer:
Most Determined Rider

Christian Berntsen
Jed' I must be another
Steve McQueen'

Best AOT
Most Improved Rider
Roger Howells Cup
Clemoff Old Duffers
Andrew Newman Shield
Freddy Ford and Buster Summers Cup
The Woodbine Premier
Lifesyles Premier Shield
The Backside Junior Race

Steven Jennings
Jan Clarke
Derek Jaffray
Gary Clement
Arthur Turner
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Ian McLeod
1st Jay Moffat
2nd Sean Moffat
3rd Wayne Clement
1st Arthur Turner
2nd Andrew Alazia
3rd Johnny Summers
1st Derek Jaffray
2nd Arthur Turner
3rd Andrew Alazia
1st Jan Clarke
2nd Steven Jennings
3rd Christian Berntsen

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F.I.D.F. Rifle Association 14-16 April 1995

Friday 14th April: The Easter Prize and R L Robson Memorial Trophy won by Chris Harris, 140.2. The Stan Smith Challenge Shield won by Ken Aldridge 137. Team Shoot was won by Mike Pole-Evans (Capt) 127. Harry Ford 132, Susan Whitney 131, Total of 390. Scores of the Day: Chris Harris

140.2, John MacDonald 138.6, Tony Corney 138, Ken Aldridge 137. Harry Ford 135.6 Sunday 16th April: The 300 yard Range Champion was won by Ken Aldridge with 70. The 4th Try Scores (3,5,600 yards) Ken Aldridge 98, Chis McCallum 97.8, Gareth Goodwin 96, John MacDonald 95.4 Chis Harris 95.4

POSTSCRIPT from the Cathedral

DURING THE DAYS of communism in Russia, according to a report I read, Easter services were replaced by sunrise communist rallies.

One such meeting was particularly large; 10,000 people were present. At the close of the meeting, the communist leader asked if there was anything anybody wanted to say. Nobody moved. Eventually, a teenaged boy came forward. As he stepped onto the platform and approached the podium, the leader of the rally warned the boy, 'you must tell the truth. If you do not you will be shot'. The

truth that the leader required was a denial of Christ and applause for communism.

All eyes were fixed on the lad as he stood there about to speak. He was flanked by soldiers, rifles pointing at his head. For several brief moments he remained silent. Then standing tall and taking a deep breath, he called out into the microphone, 'Christ is Risen!'

At the same time that the crack of rifles rang out, 10,000 voices filled the morning air with the words:

Christ is Risen

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White Rock & "Roller"

White Rock Ltd. Director, Rodney Lee and West Falklands Councillor, Bill Luxton, shake hands over the bonnet of the latter's 1976, Rolls Royce on the day that the West Falklands road arrived at Chartres settlement.

They are pictured on what, at 3½ miles, must be the longest stretch of straight road in the Falklands. On the Chartres side of the old Green Hill House, it is reminiscent of some of Britain's Roman roads, though none of them carried vehicles of the opulence of the Chartres "Roller", which, in case any other Westers are keen to acquire one, cost Bill less than a new Landrover, but is, as he admits, "much more fun".



Photo: J.Hobman

Nuclear waste ship docks in Japan amidst local protests

THE NUCLEAR waste carrier, *Pacific Pintail*, which briefly entered Falklands waters a few weeks ago on its way round Cape Horn, finally docked at its destination, a small fishing port in Japan, on Wednesday, according to reports carried by the BBC.

The vessel, is owned by British Nuclear Fuels and registered in Barrow in Furness, where Britain's

nuclear submarines are built and close to the BNFI nuclear reprocessing plant at Sellafield in Cumbria.

The voyage of the *Pacific Pintail*, from Cherbourg in France had been closely monitored by the Greenpeace organisation, who joined with local Japanese protestors in an unsuccessful bid to prevent the ship docking.

Twenty one big bangs for Queen's Birthday



As predicted last week, the FIDF gunners made their usual joyful noise and a lot of smoke, during the twenty-one gun salute on the occasion of the Birthday Parade for Her Majesty The Queen. (Pictures inside.)

Governor's ExCo plea for comment on Town Plan

HAVING announced that the closing date for public comments on the Stanley Town Plan was being put back to the end of June, Governor Tatham began his summary of the proceedings of the ExCo meeting on Thursday by urging everyone to look at the plan and "see, not just how it affects you, but what it sets out for the future of Stanley and please let government have your comments".

It was, he said, a full ExCo meeting, with all councillors present and though dealing with few issues of a controversial nature, clearly covered a lot of ground. Indeed, ground, in one form or another was one of the recurring topics for discussion.

An exchange of land with the Falkland Islands Company was confirmed. A small amount of land required for new building at the Junior School will be swapped for land on the so-called ICL site near FIPASS.

The Bodie Creek Bridge was discussed again and it was agreed that it should be maintained up to a level to support light traffic,

which would include Land Rovers. Meanwhile work will go ahead on an alternative route from Goose Green to the junction of Walker Creek and North Arm tracks to provide for heavier traffic. Funds will be requested in the Budget session of LegCo.

The abattoir was discussed and it was agreed that the Pony's Pass site was the most suitable one for it. An environmental impact assessment will be carried out on the site by members of the Fisheries and Agriculture Departments.

Councillors agreed that 26 housing plots in the east Stanley development should be serviced, using contractors, as soon as possible. It was also agreed that because of the need to get this work done quickly, the normal requirement not to import labour for carrying out these works would be set aside for this particular contract.

(Further extracts from the Governor's summary are to be found on page 9)

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YOUR LETTERS.....

.....write to Penguin News, Ross Rd, Stanley

WHAT are we to make of the Argentine Foreign Minister, Dr Guido Di Tella? This is a question that is probably being asked almost as much in Argentina as it is in Britain and the Falklands, after his message last week on the occasion of Her Majesty The Queen's Birthday. Not only did Dr Di Tella manage to upstage the Governor, whose own loyal messages to Her Majesty were released to the media well after the event, but, in the opinion of some commentators, by using the expression "your Queen", Dr Di Tella appeared to be tacitly acknowledging British sovereignty over the Falklands.

Personally, I doubt whether such was Dr Di Tella's intention, (though I have allowed myself a few moments of fantasy contemplating the enormous and immediate difference to our lives and futures that the dropping of the Argentine sovereignty claim would make). Unfortunately, I feel that Dr Di Tella has simply been "stirring the pot" in his own inimitable manner and would, if pressed, argue that while he is now forced to accept the reality of the Islanders' loyalty to The Queen and is, as a former Oxford man, anglophile enough to respect that feeling, this is not the same as accepting the legitimacy of Her sovereignty over the Islands.

On this reading, we must, sadly, continue to regard him as an opponent at best and, at worst, as an enemy. I use the word "sadly" advisedly, because, for all that we are forced to be on opposing sides, I can not avoid a sneaking admiration for the sheer style, imagination and cunning of the man and look forward to seeing the next glossy rabbit come out of his conjuror's hat!

GIVEN that the motor car has been a fairly commonplace sight for most of this century and that vehicle ownership has over the last fifty years or so ceased to be the sole preserve of the wealthy, it would be amazing that we still make such a fuss about driving, were it not that bad driving can affect the health and safety of us all.

What is equally amazing, given that there is such value placed on good driving, is that there are so few books on the subject, compared to the number on equally commonplace activities such as sex and flower arranging. Is it that driving is an activity that everyone thinks is only performed badly by other people or is it because it is difficult to find two people who agree about what good driving really is?

One simple definition that I read recently was that "the best driver is the one who avoids accidents longest" On that basis, although I hesitate to tempt fate by saying it, having driven for nearly 35 years without accident, I am an infinitely better driver than, for example, Nigel Mansell, who has had far too many accidents to count. (I am here glossing over my first driving test, when I was accused, unjustly, of running into a cart horse, another occasion, when, stationary at a junction in a low sports car, a van in front suddenly backed into my bonnet and a third occasion, in the Central Pacific, when a chicken emerging suddenly from behind a palm tree failed to cross the road).

It is not, either, that I have driven only rarely. I have never driven a Formula 1 racing car, but I have driven a wide variety of vehicles from lorries to mopeds, sometimes for a living. I have driven freeways in Los Angeles and snow-ploughed turn-pikes in New England. I have driven round the Arc de Triomphe in Paris in a minivan and around Marble Arch in London in a refrigerated lorry. I have driven in British motorway fog and in the sun of Central Spain, in tropical downpours and through Scottish blizzards.

So what does this all prove? I think it might prove that I have had a fair measure of luck, that I have a good sense of appropriate vehicle speed in a variety of conditions and that over the years I have learned to drive "defensively", which means being aware of other road users and constantly expecting them to behave foolishly.

Because of this awareness, returning home from a pleasant social evening on Wednesday night, I knew when the police car which had passed me on Ross Road, going in the opposite direction, turned round and began following me through town, though I must confess to being surprised when it started flashing blue lights on Davis Street, as a signal to pull over. What crime had I committed to be pulled up in such a public manner? I was sure my lights were in working order and that I had not failed to obey any road signs, driven erratically or at excessive speed.

As always on these occasions, five or six in two years, I controlled the annoyance I felt and behaved courteously. My "offence" on this occasion, as it turned out, was to have a couple of illegible digits on my front numberplate, but, as every Stanley motorist knows, the real purpose of the incident was not to point this out - after all the number plate had been like that since I bought the vehicle several months ago and a daytime phone call would have been a more appropriate way dealing with it.

Can we not put an end to these late night farces, which do the standing of the police with the public no good and do the honest thing by introducing random breath-testing?

Pat on back for Penguin News

IN A LETTER to Caroline Middleton, Mr Mike Williams of Cheshire writes "After we have been to Alaska in June we are going to stay with some friends in Vancouver who we met on a cruise to the Canary Islands. He has just been to the Antarctic on a Russian Ship - the one that was held in the Falklands. He said it was a fantastic trip and he sent me a few post-cards with guess what on them?! When I heard he was going I sent him the copy of Penguin News that featured the ship - he was very impressed with the Penguin News - please pass on my congratulations to the Editor!

Mike Williams
Warrington, Cheshire

FIGAS future

READING ABOUT the possibility of competition for DAP from Chilean airlines on the route to the Falkland Islands (1/4/95), I wonder why the Falkland Islands Government does not insist on a reciprocal agreement with Chile, so that when, and if, the Falkland Islands Air Service has an aircraft large enough, they could share the market. For why should the Chilean airline have all the profit? For profit there must be if more than one airline wish to fly the route!

I have read in past Penguin News that, with the coming of the new roads, people have expressed fears of the demise of the Falkland Air Service. Taking part in an Air Service to Chile (or anywhere else) would help to stop it and save the FIGAS!

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ANZAC Day remembered

TUESDAY, APRIL 25 saw the Australian and New Zealand contingent of Stanley, and other invited guests, at an ANZAC (Australian and New Zealand Army Corps) day remembrance service.

This day was initially declared a national holiday in New Zealand and Australia in remembrance of the ANZAC troops of World War I landing in Gallipoli, Turkey on April 25th, 1915. This marked the beginning of a disastrous episode in military history which resulted in thousands of ANZACs dead and wounded.

The day of commemoration has since come to embrace veterans of many other wars including World War II, Korea, Malaya and Vietnam including not only those who died or were injured in battle but their families and loved ones

they left behind.

The day is usually commemorated by a dawn service followed by a parade of veterans and their families. The Falkland Island version was a brief, but reflective service at 5pm on Tuesday afternoon at the World War I memorial on Ross Road West. Present at the service, along with the Australians and New Zealanders, were HE The Governor, representatives of the FIDF and the Royal Engineers, Cllrs Birmingham and Hallford, Monsegnor Agreter and several Falkland Islanders.

After a brief introduction by Alex Campbell, poems were read by Greg Scott, Rosie Hickey and WO2 QMSI Steve Gadd. Monsegnor Agreter concluded with a prayer followed by a minute of silence.

One Man and his Dogs : Farming Regulations in the 1930's

IN RECENT MONTHS there has been increased coverage of agricultural matters with references to stud flocks, farm management, EC standards, gathering and driving.

Prompted by this, Heather Peterson sent Penguin News a "Circular to Shepherds" dated September 1st 1932. The circular was given to her father Stan Heathman when he was a young man working as a shepherd at North Arm. It is interesting to note that some of the 'rules' being laid down by Mr B Elliot (the then manager of North Arm) are not dissimilar to those that are being insisted on now. In fact some of them appear somewhat more stringent.

General

When gathering or driving, sheep must always be given plenty of time, use your dogs as little as possible, the more you use your dogs the more tired you make the sheep and the dogs as well.

All shepherds must make it their business to be able to tell the age of sheep by their ear marks and also to know what is the cull age (anyone wishing to do so can get a list of the age marks from McCarthy).

The rules about dogs are that no shepherd is to have more than four dogs including pups, and nobody is to take more than 2 dogs when shepherding his ground or when doing any other kind of work with stock.

Ewe men when shepherding during quarantine must not take more than one dog with them.

From the beginning of quarantine till shearing shepherds are not allowed in the settlement except on Saturdays, ewe shepherds are not allowed in at all unless they are bringing in wool or skins.

No camp is to be burnt without permission and on no occasion after Oct 1st.

Shearing

When the work is a full days job, the gang must leave the house not later than 4.00am.

All shepherds, when gathering or driving rough sheep, must carry a pair of shears and melitos, any sheep that will not travel, whether wet or dry, must be shorn in the camp and the wool brought to the settlement and handed over to the wool classer in the shed. If a man gets more wool than he can carry, he must leave what he cannot carry in a conspicuous and easily explained position so that the man of the flock can collect it afterwards.

No set time will be given for gathering or driving and the sheep must always be given plenty of time. The time taken must be kept by the man in charge and if it is less than 9 hours the days work must be made up to that time in the wool shed unless orders are given to the contrary; but shepherds must understand that in cases of necessity they are liable to have to work more than 9 hours a day.

Dipping

When gathering or driving any sheep that will not travel that is a scrog or is of cull age must be killed and skinned, and the skin, if not taken to a house, must be hung on a fence wool up; sheep are not

'Jelly Tots' looking forward to Fun Day



Julian Barton and Camille Wilson put 'Jelly Tots' toys to good use

'JELLY TOTS' committee and its members invite all children and their parents to a Fun Day at the Stanley Town Hall from 2 to 5pm on Saturday May 13.

The principle aim of the fun day is to raise funds for the purchase and replenishment of stocks and toys for the 'Jelly Tots' play

group which meets each Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons in the Day Centre at the KEMH.

The day promises to be fun for all with many activities including a Bouncy Castle, face painting and coconut shy.

Cakes and drinks will also be available.



Photo John Smith Collection Thirties shepherd with 'carrygearer'. The Museum would be interested in the identity of this man. Any ideas?

to be opened up and left in the camp.

Lamb Marking

Use dogs as little as possible both to avoid tiring sheep and to avoid mis-mothering, the main object when gathering at lamb marking is to get the sheep to the pens without getting the lambs mis-mothered. THERE IS NO HURRY.

There is only one pen to mark a day, give the sheep any amount of time. When the sheep are getting close to the pen, do not get too close to them and when a corner of the flock need turning in, when possible go round them yourself and do not send a dog around them. Nobody must go among the sheep till the nets are right round them unless given orders to the contrary.

When more than one man is driving a flock of sheep, one man must always be in front to steady the fore end and to clear the track. Sheep must be given plenty of room to allow them to feed when they are travelling and must not be kept closer together than is necessary to keep them under control.

Re the rule about dogs, no shepherd may have more than 3 working dogs. A man may only have four dogs when one or more of them is a pup.

White Rock Ltd: The new boys go from strength to strength

AS THE SECOND season closes on the west roads project, Rodney Lee (Co-director and Project Manager of White Rock Ltd) described it as a 'good season'; having been helped along by the fair weather in April.

The eight man gang (unchanged since the beginning of the project) have achieved their objective of reaching Little Chartres. This season 21 kilometres of road has been constructed with an added 7 kilometres of link road.

The machinery had stood the test well and White Rock Ltd experienced only one major break down.

Rodney explained that with Government having earmarked the appropriate funds, next seasons aim was to reach Fox Bay, originally conceived as the target for the season after next.

A spokesman for the company, the newest in road construction in the Falklands, drew comparisons with the North Camp roads project to illustrate the extent of White Rock's success. White Rock, with approximately one third of the men and much less machinery had achieved an estimated extra seven kilometres over the North Camp total.

While admitting that conditions were probably more favourable



The proof of the road is in the rolling a base camp, while on the North Camp, this had been done by an outside contractor.



Swedish brawn meets British refinement on the West Road

Falklands Geology carries a Government Warning

GEOLOGISTS interested in studying the terrestrial geology of the Falklands were given a welcome with a warning in a recent Government press release.

Apparently, with the approach of the first round of licensing applications for exploration of our sea bed by oil companies, has come a great deal of attention from geologists interested in carrying out land-based geological surveys and the aim of the release was to lay down the rules by which such surveying or rock collecting should be carried out.

The following points were listed:

1. "Permission must be gained from the relevant landowner for the carrying out of geological surveying or rock collection".
2. "The export of any rock samples for deeper analysis must be subject to permission being granted by the Falkland Islands Government."
3. "It is considered wholly appropriate for the fruits or publication of any research thus undertaken to be given to the Falkland Islands Government to form part of the growing database of information on our environment."

Shackleton Scholarship Fund launched at GH

"just one rung more to the ladder of knowledge"

IT was perhaps appropriate that Government House in Stanley, where both great men had frequently stayed, should have been the venue for the launch on April 26 of the Shackleton Scholarship Fund Appeal.

The Governor opened a specially-called press conference by explaining the objectives of the appeal, which was to provide a living and enduring memorial to Edward Lord Shackleton and his father Sir Ernest Shackleton, who had both played such crucial and enduring roles in establishing and supporting a British presence in the South Atlantic.

The aim of the appeal was to raise sufficient money to establish a fund, the interest from which would be used in a number of ways both to increase the available knowledge about the South Atlantic region and to spread that knowledge throughout the world. One aim of the Shackleton Scholarship Fund would be to offer financial assistance to scientists and scholars wishing to visit, in the hope that on their return to their own countries, not necessarily the UK, they would become ambassadors for the region and promote its interests. Although allowances and grants were already available for Islanders wishing to travel overseas to learn and to put the Falklands' case, funding would be available for any projects considered worthy which fell outside the usual scope of existing awards.

Apart from academic visitors, who would be expected to make application for funding from an Awards Committee to be set up in London, there would be a local committee to select and invite,

what the Governor called, "Quality of Life scholars" to visit the Islands. These might be people who would not usually consider visiting the Falkland Islands, either because of the cost or because the audiences they might find would be too small, for example performers, artists and sportsmen and women, who might be called high-achievers and would have something to offer us here. As examples of the sort of people who might fall into this category, HE cited some recent visitors, the Cumbrian artist, Alan Stones and the dry-stone wall expert, Eric Greenwood, both of whom had required funding to make their visits.

Finally, The Governor said, the fund would be available for other charitable purposes connected with the Islands as might seem appropriate to the Fund's trustees.

Mrs Jan Cheek (Secretary) said that local businesses would be approached through an appeal letter as would businesses in the UK that were known to have connections in the Falklands or in the South Atlantic. In monetary terms the aim was to raise £250,000 through two appeals, one launched in Britain by the Chairman Sir Rex Hunt on June 15 and one in the Falklands. A series of events are being planned for the Falkland Islands including dinners, FIODA productions, bazaars, dances and raffles.

Treasurer of the local appeal, Mrs Leif Pollard gave a brief resumé of how things were progressing. Already the Guides had raised £435 with their Gourmet dinner at the Upland Goose, but the first contribution of £25 had come from HMS Endurance and FCO have donated £20,000. The balance of the Falklands Appeal



Edward Lord Shackleton Explorer, RAF Officer, MP, Cabinet Minister, Champion of the Falklands

(photographed at Sea Lion Lodge)

Fund, which was set up after the Conflict in 1982, had been transferred to the Shackleton Scholarship Fund. This was in the region of £31,000. The Falkland Islands Government, the meeting were told, had agreed to match every pound raised privately up to a total of £100,000.

The fund will be administered by both appeal committees under the Shackleton Scholarship Fund. The Committees:

- In the Islands**
 Mr David Tatham, CMG, - Chairman.
 Mrs Jan Cheek - Secretary
 Mrs Leif Pollard - Treasurer
 Cllr John Birmingham
 Mr John Barton
 Mrs Janice Black
 Mr Rodney Lee
 Mrs Phyllis Rendell

- In the United Kingdom**
 Sir Rex Hunt, CMG, - Chairman
 The Hon. Mrs Alexandra Bergel
 Major-General Nigel Gribbon, OBE
 Mr Harold Briley, OBE
 Miss Sukey Cameron (FIGO Rep)
 Mrs Jenny Cox - Secretary



Sir Ernest Shackleton Antarctic Explorer extraordinary

(sketch in Government House, Stanley)

New spokesman on foreign affairs for Labour Party

TONY LLOYD MP has just been appointed Foreign Affairs Spokesman for the Labour Party.

Mr Lloyd is the Member of Parliament for Stretford in Manchester, a position he has held since June 1983.

He describes his special interests as Civil Liberties, Disarmament, Immigration and Race Relations, Industrial Policy, Human Rights and Overseas Development. For recreation, he simple lists "family".

Going to the Gibraltar Games

A DETERMINATION to be represented at the forthcoming Island Games on Gibraltar in July was the unanimous outcome of the Annual General Meeting of the Falkland Islands Overseas Games association.

The close ties which have recently been established between the Falklands and Gibraltar through their political links were also a major factor in the meetings decision.

With golf and netball being excluded from the 1995 Island Games and Badminton and the Running Clubs deciding to miss the Games this year, it has been left to the Gun Club through their Clay Pigeon members and hopefully a couple of young swimmers to fly the flag for the Falklands. The presence of Falklands competitors at International sporting events is proving to be a major media success and public relations exercise, which is vital for the Island as the end of the 20th century approaches.

With Chairman Gerald Cheek standing down after four years in the post Vice-chairman Patrick Watts was elevated to the chairmanship with Dennis Humphries, now running the newly formed swimming club taking over the number two spot. Rosemary King has replaced Peter Biggs as Treasurer while Cyndi Pitaluga is the Association's secretary, succeeding Councillor Wendy Teggart whose Council work is taking up much of her spare time.

With the final programme of sports still to be decided for the 1997 Island Games on Jersey, the members expressed their desire to be represented in as many sports as possible in two years time, now that the official invitation to participate has been received from the Jersey Games Chairman.

Looking further ahead the 1998 Commonwealth Games in Malaysia will present a stern test but as with the highly successful effort in Victoria last year, it is hoped that a small team will make the long journey to Kuala Lumpur.

The policy which requires local clubs to raise cash to send their competitors to the Island Games while the association funds participation at Commonwealth Games was confirmed.

The support which Councillors gave to the commonwealth Games effort last year was welcomed, while the retiring Chairman Gerald Cheek received a vote of thanks. He in turn paid tribute to the fund raising efforts and tireless work undertaken by the former Vice Chairman Patrick Watts.

Representatives of the Gun, Rifle Shooting, Golf, Swimming, Badminton, Netball, Running and Football Clubs attended the AGM.



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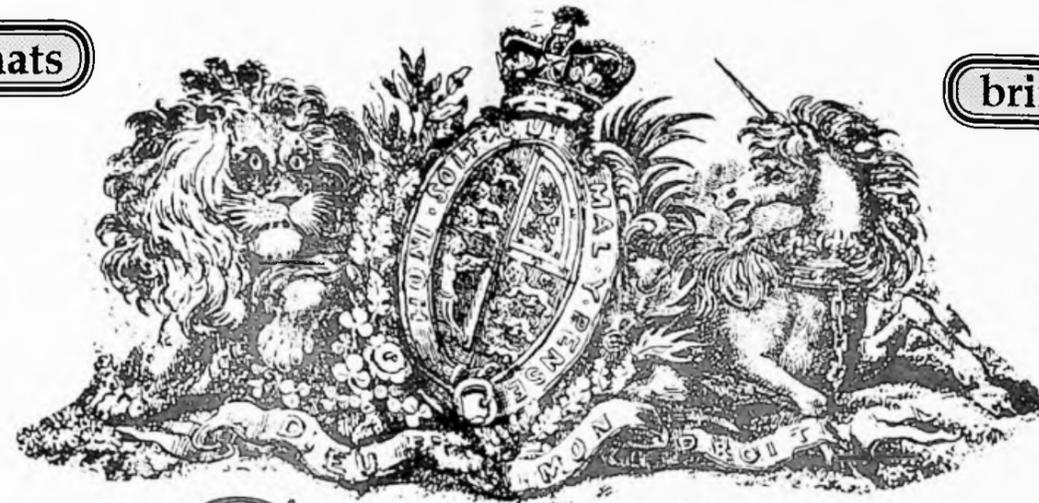
Sunshine, summer dresses and picture hats

Falkland Islands

On the occasion of the birthday of Her Majesty The Queen, I would be most grateful if you would kindly convey to Her Majesty the most loyal and affectionate greetings of all Her subjects in the civil community and of Her Forces in the garrison in the Falkland Islands.

With humble duty I ask Her Majesty to accept our most respectful good wishes.

(Text of Birthday Message to H.M The Queen from H.E.The Governor)



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Left: A summer ensemble,

Right: The FIDF contingent arrive on parade

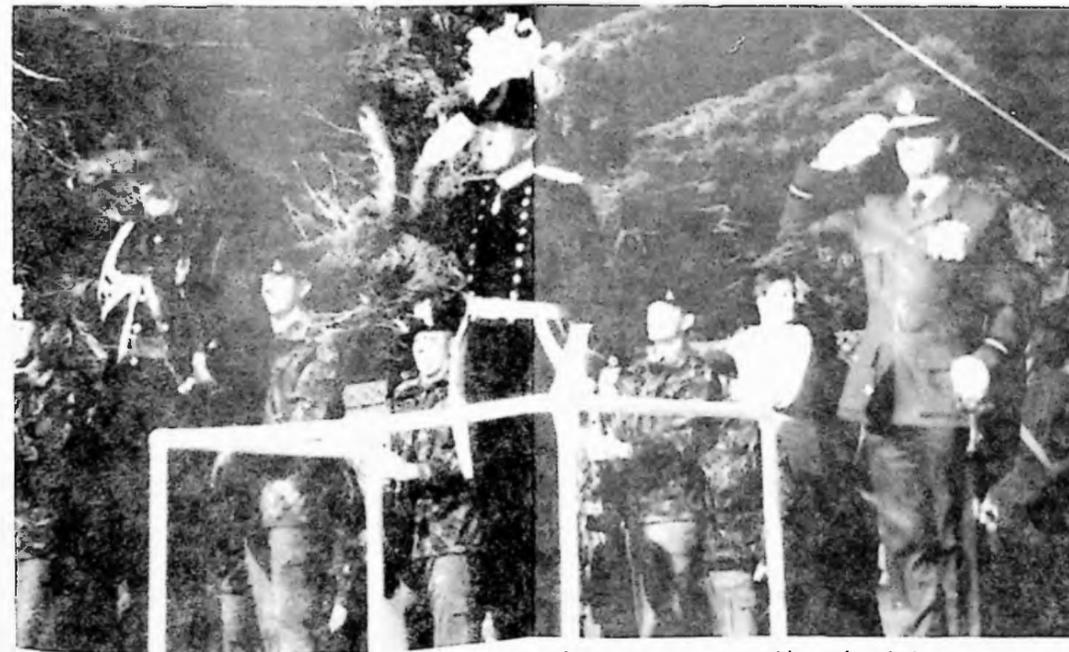
Saluting The Queen's Birthday



The breeze presents problems for the Stanley sea cadets



In uniforms that would not have looked out of place in the Crimean War, the RAF band lend sound and spectacle to the parade as they march down Barrack Street.



UNLIKE last year when bad weather caused the Queen's Birthday Parade to be held indoors, Friday 21st April 1995 dawned fine and sunny. No matter that by mid-morning a chill breeze was blowing off the harbour, the sunshine and the occasion had combined to bring a spring-time look to proceedings. Ladies in to bring a summer look to proceedings. Ladies in to bring a spring-time look to proceedings. Ladies in to bring a summer look to proceedings. Ladies in to bring a spring-time look to proceedings.

in grey great coats and imposing shakos. Prompt at 11am, H.E.The Governor arrived to inspect the parade, which was under the command of Major Brian Summers. After the inspection, the Governor took his place on the dais as the Royal Standard was raised and a twenty-one gun salute was fired by the FIDF gunners. When the smoke cleared, it was time for a fly-past by RAF Tornados and a Hercules transport, the former thrilling the crowd with a low-level pass followed by a high loop. Proceedings were concluded by a fly-past of the Royal Navy's standard, the White Ensign, under-slung from a Lynx helicopter belonging to HMS Malborough.



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Fly-past by Hercules and two Tornados

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DIARY OF A FARMER'S CAT

by Baldrick Wilkinson

A touch of jealousy for Baldrick?

IT'S A dog's life round here, folks. You'd think that the Boss and the Missus would be content with us superb specimens of cathood round the house - well, I'm a superb specimen, at least - the rest of the gang are a trifle manky perhaps - but No. They had to go and change things, didn't they. They had to ruin the status quo and Do Something.

What do they do? I hear you ask. I'll tell you what they do...sorry, did...shall I?

Got themselves a flamin' puppy, that's what they did. The Missus brought it home with her on the plane, last week and since then she's done nothing but fuss over the blasted thing. It can do no wrong, that animal. Trip her up, and all it gets is "whoops! careful now"! Now, if one of us cats trips up Her Grace, which I have to admit is a favourite pastime of ours, we get a mouthful of abuse such as a well brought up moggie shouldn't even hear, let alone un-

derstand...

Ah, well. Such is life. Used to like dogs, I did, but I think I must be getting older. Or wiser. Or less nimble on my feet. I expect this Moss character is a decent enough sort of chap really, under all that nauseating charm and baby fluff. I suppose I'll have to make allowances for youth, and keep a weather eye open for ambushes.

The Missus nipped into town for some sort of meeting yesterday, but was back home today. Proper jet setter she's becoming. Raving about the flight home, she was. Got all lyrical about 'rainbows on the clouds' or some such rubbish. Who in their right mind would want to be up above the clouds, rainbow or no rainbow? You won't catch this cat goin' up that flippin' high. (Unless of course it's under extreme pressure, ie when I've been brutally shoved into a flamin' box and packed off to That Person for medical attention suppose that counts as a Nec-

essary Evil.)

We've had a good sort of chap staying with us, the past few days. The Boss enjoyed putting the world to rights with him, and they didn't half rip Women to pieces when the Missus was safely in town. Apparently he stayed here years ago, long before my time and has kept in touch ever since.

I doubt if he's found too many changes around the place, judging by the current state of the paintwork. I don't think that's been touched in years. Though the Boss and the Missus must have appeared pretty weathered after all that time....

This chap goes today on a helicopter, noisy brutes those are, aren't they? and there's a plane due in later with another visitor. I think he might be some sort of big shot. At least, the Missus told our other visitor there was cannon coming...

Like Piccadilly Circus, this place is. Planes and helicopters

fillin' the sky, not a minute's peace.

Well, okay, so I'm exaggerating just a bit, but a chap needs his sleep you know and what with pups and planes there's altogether too much happening round here for my liking. I wouldn't mind so much only no-one talks to me much these days. Just an ornament, that's me. Unwanted, unloved, and superseded by a blasted dog. Think I'll go off and eat worms.

By Jiminy it's cold today. The worms can wait. I'm going to tuck myself into my box and curl up with my dreams instead. A chap needs his dreams, nowadays.

If that pup comes anywhere near he'll get the shock of his short life. That puppyish charm won't save him either. Wettin' himself, he'll be...

Cheers, chays
 Love,

Baldrick

ExCo Meeting Thursday April 27 (extracted from H.E. The Governor's summary)

Dog Legislation

On the agenda proper, dogs legislation was discussed and Councillors agreed to look again at the draft legislation which had been prepared to take the place of the existing law.

Alien Legislation

Aliens legislation was discussed and it was agreed that a Bill should be drafted for consideration by LegCo repealing parts of the Aliens Ordinance to enable oil companies to purchase land on the Falklands if they had already received a licence from us to prospect offshore.

Resident Geologist

It was agreed that a resident geologist would be seconded from British Geological Survey to work on the Islands for two years. We need an up-to-date and accurate geological map of the Islands for our long-term development. It will help the oil companies understand the marine geology offshore, and it will also enable us to be better informed about what minerals, building materials and other rocks of value are to be found on the Islands.

Marine Environment Protection Bill

It was agreed that a Marine Environment Protection Bill should be introduced into Legislative Council. This Bill will give us the ability to control dumping at

sea - something which is desirable in any case, but particularly necessary with oil development coming on.

Petroleum Taxation

The Economic Adviser, who was present in the absence of the Financial Secretary, introduced a summary of the report prepared by the Consultants, Ernst & Young, on petroleum taxation. Councillors agreed that their recommendations should serve as the basis for legislation and agreed to obtain expert legal advice on these matters, including the drafting of the necessary amendments to the 1994 Taxes Ordinance.

Oil Issues

The Chief Executive gave a full report on the oil scene. Our Oil Licensing Team has met for the first time in London. The Attorney-General is pursuing tax questions with the Inland Revenue in London and commented that FIG was receiving valuable assistance from government departments in Whitehall, including the Foreign Office, the Department of Trade and Industry, and the Inland Revenue.

Dockyard Cleanup

The situation in the government dockyard, and particularly containers placed there, was discussed. The Director of Public Works will be asked to produce a timetable for the removal of Public Works assets from the dock-

yard site to a new area.

Coroner's New Rules

New coroners rules were agreed because the present rules made under English legislation are not entirely suitable for conditions here.

Camp Cemeteries

A paper on Camp cemeteries was considered, but rather than establishing another working group as the paper recommended, Councillors invited Camp communities to take responsibility for their own cemeteries and to talk to the Director of Public Works if they felt they needed advice or help in maintaining them.

Fisheries

We discussed fisheries - both high seas and local.

The Director of Fisheries was present when Councillors discussed the present situation in the illex fishery. Catches this year have been very poor and an early closure can't be ruled out.

Trout fishing licences were discussed at some length and in the end it was decided to leave the existing regime in place. Fisheries Department will be encouraged to seek details of trout catches from anglers so that we can monitor stocks, particularly on East Falkland where they may be under pressure.

Special Employment

The operation of the Special

Employment Programme was discussed. It was agreed that the programme had been a success, but a full-time foreman should be recruited to administer the workforce in cooperation with Public Works Department, but funded by the Secretariat.

Rural Roads

On the West Falkland rural roads, Councillors agreed that funds should be made available to pay the contractor in full during the 1995-96 financial year if he is able to complete the road to Fox Bay during that time. It was also agreed that Mr Marshall Barnes should join the Transport Advisory Committee to represent the north of West Falkland.

The FIODA production of the pantomime CINDERELLA

will be presented on Thursday May 4, Friday May 5, and Saturday May 6 at the Stanley Town Hall.

Tickets are available from the Standard Chartered Bank during business hours and at FIBS in the evenings, with tickets costing £2.50, or £1.50 for children under 18.

The production will start at 7.00 each evening, with doors opening at 6.15 so come along to boo the Ugly Stepsisters, and cheer on Cinderella and the Prince.



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U.K NEWSLETTER by Sir Rex Hunt

Treading delicate ground

THIS APRIL has been a particular month for me for anniversaries and reunions. It began with the Royal Marines in Plymouth, which I mentioned in my last newsletter. The attendance was, if anything, up on last year. I was pleased to receive a copy of the plaque which is now the only reminder of the old barracks at Moody Brook and commemorates the royal Marines and Royal naval personnel (over 700 of them) who served and lived there from 1953 to 1982.

I was back in the West country later in the month for a St George's day reunion. This is held every year at The Two Bridges Hotel, Dartmoor, for ex-members of the Kuala Lumpur branch of the St. George's Society. It may seem an odd place to choose for people who have spent most of their working lives in the tropics, but many ex-Malaysians have retired to Cornwall and Devon and find Dartmoor a convenient place to meet. I always enjoy going there because it reminds me of the Falkland Islands, although the weather rather overdid it this time by snowing all day.

Another, more exotic, reason is that we are always given the Vivien Leigh suite, the walls of

which are adorned with photographs of her as Scarlett O'Hara, Lady Hamilton, Cleopatra and most of her other leading roles. Apparently, the Two Bridges was one of her favourite hideaways when she was 'resting'.

Last Monday was the twentieth anniversary of my departure from Saigon. It was also my first trip in a Hercules, hardly an anniversary to celebrate, but Mavis and I had a quiet evening in a Vietnamese restaurant in London with an old friend who had flown out with me on that sad night. Incidentally, having been our Ambassador in Guatemala, he is confident that Belize's future is secure, even without the continuing presence of British troops.

It seems, then, that another intractable international issue has faded away. What hope now for Northern Ireland, Palestine, Gibraltar or the Falkland Islands? I am more confident about the future of the Falkland Islands (even with a Labour Government) than any of the others.

As Janet Robertson's and Graham Bound's recent lecture tour of Argentina has shown, there are reasonable Argentines who might in time be persuaded to recognise

the right of Islanders to determine their own future. Indeed, I met an Argentine lady on one of my cruises who came up to me after my lecture and said, 'Don't think that all Argentines supported that drunken bum, Galtieri! and then went on to say that she and many of her friends were quite willing to let the Islanders decide their own future.'

As 1982 recedes into history, I believe that more Argentines will be persuaded to that view; but it will be a slow process, and the best people to do the persuading are the Falkland Islanders themselves. That is why I applaud Janet and Graham for braving their critics and going to Argentina. I hope that more Islanders will follow their lead. By the same token, and here I know that I am treading on delicate ground, I think that the time has come to allow selected Argentines to visit the Islands. There are some whose eyes will never be opened. It is pointless to invite them. But, for those who have eyes to see, you have nothing to hide. You have shown that you cannot be bullied or bribed. You are more likely to persuade them to leave you alone than they are to persuade you to become Argentine.

Pebble Island Notebook by J. McGhie



THE 1994/95 season started with some nice weather, but as everyone knows, it soon became the most unsettled summer in years.

Putting the weather aside it was a good season client-wise. October started slowly but soon got busier, and by November we were in full swing of another hectic summer, especially when people are arriving on one plane after another, or some are going on day trips, which all leads to one of the busiest airstrips on the islands.

December, January and February were just a blur. However with March and April, not being so busy, it seemed as though we had hit the pause button, but it was nice to have just a few people staying and to catch up with all

the jobs.

After 18 months of painting the outside of the hotel finally I have finished; I admit a few times I thought it would never end as I was painting in between tours, bad weather and other jobs.

Wildlife this year has been good with a few vagrants coming to Pebble. During the New Year we had four Arctic breeding waders those being; White Rumped Sandpiper, Bairds Sandpiper, Pectoral Sandpiper and Sanderling.

During the first week of December a lone leopard seal was seen but as I have mentioned in other issues of Penguin news there seem to be a lot more turning up on our shores.

A few days before Christmas,

Miss D Betts was driving sheep close to Barrossa Pond when she came across a Chilean Flamingo, quite a surprise to see this huge pink bird trying to hide in amongst moulting Upland Geese.

The Flamingo stayed for about ten days then moved on to Golding Island where it stayed until two weeks ago. It then returned to Pebble Island.

At this time of year we expect to see lots of Cattle Egrets from South America, but so far there have only been up to six.

It has been two years since we went on overseas leave, but are going in May. Never fear we have four trusty neighbours who are running the Hotel while we are gone.

Scouts say thanks for a memorable day at MPA

THREE NEW members have recently been enrolled into the Cub Pack - John McKay, Sean Jaffray and Roy McKay. The Pack sadly had to say goodbye to Stuart Edwards whose parents were based at MPA. During the six months that Stuart was a member of the pack, he gained an amazing 25 activity badges. He has now joined a Scout Troop at Caterick.

Last week the Cubs had a very interesting evening, studying the night sky. Various constellations were found, as well as the milky way and shooting stars. The boys also spotted some flashing lights in the sky, which they put down as aliens, but were probably helicopters from some distance away!!

On Friday the boys were smartly turned out for the Queens Birthday Parade. The Pack flag was carried by David Johnson.

On Sunday to celebrate St Georges Day who is both Patron Saint of England and Patron Saint of Scouting, eight Cubs joined the congregations of the Cathedral and Tabernacle for a joint family service at St Cuthberts Church, MPA. Afterwards everyone sat down to a delicious lunch in the Oasis, which the Cubs thoroughly enjoyed and would like to thank Padre Alastair, the ladies of the Oasis and the Catering Sqd for making it such a memorable day. Report by J Miller, Cub Leader.

Giant Iceberg is dramatic evidence of global warming

A GIANT ICEBERG is reported by The Times to have run aground on the seabed. The iceberg had broken free from Antarctica's shrinking ice-sheet in February.

British Antarctic Survey described the iceberg (known as the A25) as being the size of Oxfordshire. It came to a halt in the ocean south of the Falklands after travelling several miles a day. A spokesman for BAS said that it could remain stuck for ten years or more.

The Times goes on to say that "The iceberg's split from Antarctica provided dramatic evidence of the impact of global warming". Scientists say that James Ross Island which was once connected to Antarctica by ice is now circum-navigable.

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Land Rover Series III LWB £400 Re-advertised due to time waster, Super Nintendo & 8 Games £150, Filter Coffee Machine £15, Phone Alex Hunter 20824

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Sausages, fresh and frozen anytime £1.70. sausage rolls to order £3.50 per dozen. Burgers to order at £2.40 per dozen. To order at anytime phone 21381 or call in at Marie Clifton's, 54 Davis Street.

1x24 litre petrol engine, needs minor attention to carb £100 ONO. 1 front axle, needs attention to diff but has new king pins £40. 1 rear axle £40, 1 bonnet £30. Contact Andy or Cathy on 32078.

Rayburn Pressure Jet Burner
One year old. Needs new nozzle otherwise complete. Needs reassembly or could be bought for spares. Offers to John Macaskill, Tel. 20847.

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Sealed bids by noon, Friday May 5. Further details, contact Miss Simpson, Government House tel no: 27433. No commitment to accept highest or any tender.

Yamaha PSR6 keyboard £80, Mothercare baby/child car seat £40, Round kitchen table £40, Girls mountain bike suitable for age 8-12 £60, double pushchair £70. Tel 21068.

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The British Antarctic Survey Has For Sale By Tender

Lot 1: 2-storey modular timber panel building - Ex Signy base approx size 26ft x 90ft.

Lot 2: diving chamber - Ex Signy base.

For further details and viewing, please contact the B.A.S. office in Stanley.

Tenders in writing to be received no later than Friday May 5. The British Antarctic Survey does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

NOTICES

Education Department Open Day

Classrooms in the Falkland Islands Community School, Camp Education and the Infant/Junior School will be open to the public on Saturday 29 April from 2-4pm. The public are invited to visit the schools to see pupils demonstrating equipment. There will also be a display of Open University material in the Community School.

Stanley Dance Club

Due to lack of interest at AGM Stanley Dance Club will not be holding old time dancing this winter. Anyone interested in forming a committee please contact 21393/21475

Beauchene Shopping Centre
Shop Assistant required, start date Monday May 29 1995. Applicants must be aged 18 or over. All applications in writing stating age and relevant work experience, to be addressed to the Manager Cheryl Black by Friday May 5, 1995. Hours and rates of pay will be discussed at interview.

Community School Swimming Gala,

Wednesday May 3
(Sponsored by JBG Ltd).
2pm - 3.45pm approx.

To Whom It May Concern
Visitors are welcome to call in at the Saddle Farm House for coffee and to help put the Falklands and the rest of the world to rights. However, those people not wishing to call in are advised that the Saddle Link Road is not a through road nor the Green a roundabout and those using it as such do so at their own and their vehicles risk Dave Dunford, Saddle Farm

PERSONAL

To Nanny
Happy Birthday for Saturday, Thinking of you, loads of love from Stacey and Samantha

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Barrack Street
Open Mon-Sat 2-5pm

Arriving this week on *Klippergracht*:
More Wrangler T-shirts, shirts etc. Ladies clothing.
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Open next week: ceramic dolls and loads of stationary, notelets and writing paper

Sports roundup

Auction Bridge 26 April
1st Mrs J Middleton & Mrs R Duncan, 2nd Mrs V Malcolm & T Petterson, Booby. Mrs I Finlayson & B Peck. The next Bridge Evening will be on May 10 in the KEMH Day Centre, commencing at 7.30pm. All welcome.

F.I.D.F. RIFLE ASSOCIATION 23 APRIL 1995

The final shoot of the 1994-95 season was held on April 23 with the final try and medal. Scores: C McCallum 97.8, M Smith 96.6, C Harris 95.2, K Aldridge 95, S Whitney 94. April Medal C McCallum.

Shooting will continue weather permitting with a team shoot on April 30.

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Supreme Court of the Falkland Islands

Notice under the Administration of Estates Ordinance (Cap.1)

TAKE NOTICE THAT Steven Thomas Buckett deceased, of Stanley, Falkland Islands died at Stanley, on the 9th day of April 1995. WHEREAS Ronald Peter Buckett, father of the deceased, has applied for Letters of Administration to administer the estate of the said deceased in the Colony. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 4 of the Administration of Estates Ordinance to all persons resident in the Colony who may have prior claim to such grant that the prayer of the Petitioner will be granted provided no caveat be entered in the Supreme Court within 21 days of the publication hereof.

Stanley
Falkland Islands

20th April 1995
REF: PRO/7/1995

POSTSCRIPT from the Tabernacle

Life Begins at ...?

30?

40?

At birth?

Even a baby is alive in the womb - before birth, so life must begin at conception. Or does it? Conception is the beginning of the physical body, but true life is of the spirit - the inner man. Where does that come from? God. God is spirit. True life begins with and comes from God. He gives it freely to all who receive Jesus personally.

The bible says, "He who has the Son has life. He who does not have the Son of God does not have the life (1 John 5v12)."

True life, eternal life, does not begin at 30, 40, birth or conception
Life begins with receiving Jesus
Thank You Lord.