

Scientific
Miscellaneous.

C.S.

1930.

No. 439/30.

J.E. Hamilton, Esq.

SUBJECT.

1930.
31st October.

DIMINUTION OF GAME BIRDS IN
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Previous Paper.

Close season.

MINUTES.

1. Minute from J. E. Hamilton, Esq. 31/10/30.

2. Draft Proclamation, No. 1 of 1930.

Non Treasurer ^{me H}
Non P. W.O. ^{4.21.30}
circulated for consideration
at next meeting of Executive
Council,

A. J. Jensen
Clerk Executive
14 Nov 1930

y.s. Schibul. Will y.s. kindly

sign the enclosed temporary document

And will be replaced with printed

Proclamation in due course?

To Printers
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Subsequent Paper.

15.1.31

Extract from minutes of meeting of Executive Council held on 28th January, 1931.

The issue of the Proclamation was confirmed,

C. J. Dewar

Clerk of the Executive Council.

Copy of Proclamation, no. 15/1931.

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Y/E.

Two authenticated copies of Proclamation submitted for signature with draft despatches

C. J. Dewar
6/3/31.

Off^r Secy.

Mark you : draft approved.

2. Please send a copy of the Proclamation with cover of a circular letter to all Farm Managers.

3. Please also please let Mr. Hamilton see at also Mr. Bennett on Art. Fed. Veterinary.

JMD

6.3.31.

Minute to Registrar-General

7th March, 1931.

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5. Minute to Sec. Farm Managers. 7th March, 1931.

6. Despatch to S of S. No. 52 of " 3. 31

Mr. J. E. Hamilton
Mr. A. G. Bennett,

To see.

C. J. J.
sicsed.
12/3/31.

Hon. Col. Sec.

Seen. Thank you.

J. E. Hamilton -
12-iii-31.

Hon. Col. Secy:

Thank you seen.

A. G. Bennett.
24. 3. 31.

P.A.
25/3/31.

b.f. 15. 10. 31.

pub. 27. 9. 31.

Extract from minutes of meeting of Executive Council held on the 8th of October, 1931.

With reference to Proclamation No. 1 of 1931 dated the 15th day of January, 1931, fixing the dates for the close season established by section 3 of the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1913, the Honourable the Colonial Secretary stated that Mr. F. G. Langdon, Manager of Fitzroy Station, had represented to him that the date for the commencement of the close season should be further/

further advanced to the 1st of August as Duck often begin to nest during this month.

After discussion it was agreed that the date should be amended accordingly.

C. J. Jewell

Clerk of the Executive Council.

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10. 10. 31.

Copy of Proclamation No. 1 of 1932.

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Printed copy of Proclamations No. 1/32.

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Letter to the Manager, Falkland Is. Co. 2:2:32

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Circular letter to All Bank Managers. 2:2:32

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Minute to Registrar-General. 2:2:32.

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Despatch to S. of S.

Despatch to S. of S. No. 27 of 9/2/31.

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P. Agard

9. 2. 32.

Minute from H. C. Sheaf, Governor 18/4/31

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Stock Inspectors.

For your comments please.

MCH
by CS.

18. 4. 34.

Hon. Col. Secy.

I am entirely in agreement with Mr. Hamilton in this matter.

Birds, such as teal and snipe, would benefit especially - I have found nests of both with eggs as late as March.

W. N. Clement.

Ag. Gov. Naturalists.

19/4/34

In your observations,
please.

WNC
29/4/34

Hon. Col. Secy.:

I think it probable that the erratic breeding of some birds is due, in many cases, to the vagaries of the climate, & the past season has been exceptional in this respect. Breeding out of season is definitely not the rule but the exception; thus immature birds would not be knowingly shot by the "sportsman", while no amount of legislation will deter the "pot hunter" from shooting at any time.

Returning to late, or early breeding, I encountered a quantity of snipe on Elephant Jason about 8th June, & from their behaviour I guessed they were preparing to breed. It should be stated that at that time Stanley was frozen & under snow, while at the Jasons it was quite warm with wild flowers blooming. With undue warmth such courtship

may affect almost any birds, & if lasting sufficiently long, eggs may result, a cold snap would prevent young appearing.

W. Bennett

ag. stat.

23. 4. 34.

1/2. I agree with the Ag. naturalist.

After many years experience of game birds during the open season I have only once seen young duck in April. No sportsman shoots helpless birds.

If late breeding has been observed it has no doubt been due to destruction of nests due to burning of Camp during the natural breeding season.

In my opinion there is far more destruction of game birds through burning of Camp in the Spring than through any other cause.

I do not ~~wishes~~ think that a case has been made out for modification of the present open season.

MCH

ag. st.

24. 4. 34.

Mr. C. S.

I am inclined also to agree.

2. Nil at present.

J. M. D.

27. 4. 34.

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CLOSE SEASON FOR WILD BIRDS.

I would submit that the close season for wild birds might advantageously begin a month earlier than obtains at present namely on the 1st. of September instead of the 1st. of October.

The benefit would be particularly felt by the two "Game Birds" of the Islands, the Teal (*Nettion flavirostris*) and the Snipe (*Capella paraguayae*). Both are known to have begun nesting as early as August.

J. E. Hamilton

(J. E. Hamilton)

31st. Oct. 1930.

No. 1.

PROCLAMATION.

1930^{1/2}

Donald Hodgson

Governor.

In virtue of the powers vested in him by section 8 of the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1913, and otherwise, His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, is pleased to Proclaim and it is hereby proclaimed as follows :-

The close season established by section 3 of the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1913, shall be, until further order, the period between the first day of September in any year and the last day of February in the following year, both days included.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. M. G.

Colonial Secretary.

Given at Government House, Stanley, this 15th day of
January, 193^{1/2}.

No. 439/30.

MINUTE.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute the above Number and the date may be quoted).

7th March, 19 31.

From

To The Registrar-General,

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I am directed by the Acting Governor to attach herewith for insertion in the files of the Registrar-General an authenticated copy of Proclamation No. 1 of 1931.


for Colonial Secretary.

CIRCULAR.

No. 439/72.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley.

7th March, 1931.

Sir,

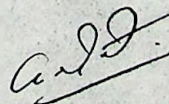
I am directed by the Acting Governor to forward to you copies of the subsidiary legislation detailed below and to request that you will give your attention to the provisions thereof and will also cause them to be brought to the notice of all persons resident on the station under your management :

- (1) Proclamation No. 1 of 1931 made under the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1915.
- (2) Order of the Governor in Executive Council under the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1915.
- (3) The Penguins (Amendment) Regulations, 1931.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



for Colonial Secretary.

ALL FARM MANAGERS
EAST AND WEST FALKLANDS.

(6)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

11th March, 1931.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 52.

My Lord,

I have the honour to transmit six copies of a Proclamation, No. 1 of 1931, made under the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1913, relating to the close season established by section 3 of the Ordinance.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most
obedient humble servant,

J. M. ELLIS.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
LORD PASSFIELD OF PASSFIELD CORNER, P.C.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

No. 1.

Proclamation

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1931.

(L. S.).

(ARNOLD HODSON.)

(Governor.

In virtue of the powers vested in him by section 8 of the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1913, and otherwise, His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, is pleased to Proclaim and it is hereby proclaimed as follows :—

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The close season established by section 3 of the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1913, shall be, until further order, the period between the first day of ~~September~~ in any year and the last day of February in the following year, both days included.

Proclamation No. 1 of 1931, dated the 15th of January, 1931, is hereby cancelled.

Given at Government House, Stanley, this 15th day of January, 1931².

By His Excellency's Command,

J. M. Ellis.

Colonial Secretary.

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No. 1.

Proclamation.

1932.

L. S.

James O'Grady.

Governor.

In virtue of the powers vested in him by section 8 of the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1913, and otherwise, His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, is pleased to proclaim and it is hereby proclaimed as follows :

The close season established by section 3 of the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1913, shall be, until further order, the period between the first day of August in any year and the last day of February in the following year, both days included.

Proclamation No. 1 of 1931, dated the 15th of January, 1931, is hereby cancelled.

Given at Government House, Stanley, this 30th day of January, 1932.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. M. Ellis.

Colonial Secretary.

439/30.

2nd February

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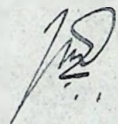
Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to forward to you two copies of Proclamation No. 1 of 1932, made under the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1915, and fixing the close season so as to run from the first day of August in any year to the last day of February in the following year.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

The Manager,
The Falkland Islands Company, Ltd.,
STANLEY.

No. 439/30. CIRCULAR.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
2nd February, 1932.

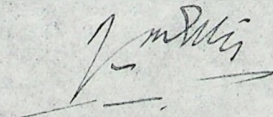
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I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,



Colonial Secretary.

ALL CAMP MANAGERS.

No. 439/30.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute the above Number and the date may be quoted).

MINUTE.

2nd February, 1932.

From

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To The Registrar-General,

STANLEY.

I am directed to forward herewith an authenticated copy of Proclamation No. 1 of 1932 for insertion in the files of the Registrar-General.

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Colonial Secretary.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY.

9th February, 1932.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 27.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit six copies of a Proclamation, No. 1 of 1932, made under the Wild Animals and Birds Protection (Amendment) Ordinance, 1913, relating to the close season established by section 3 of the Ordinance.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant,

JAMES O'GRADY.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
SIR PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER,
G.B.E., P.C., M.C., H.P.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

Hon C.S.

Mr J. S. Hamilton has suggested
 that primarily for the protection of widgers
 and also for the benefit of other kinds
 of sporting ducks and as a whole it would
 be well to extend the close season at
 its end to 1st April instead of 1st March
 as actually.

In the first place please ask Stock
 Inspector for his comments.

Yours
 J.S.

18. 4. 34.

For further please
 MCH