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Islands pay tribute to the People's Princess



IN COMMON with the rest of the world, Falkland Islanders have this week mourned the tragic loss of Diana, Princess of Wales, who died in a car accident in Paris, France on August 30.

Following the Princess' death, His Excellency, the Governor, sent a letter of sympathy to Her Majesty the Queen, which expressed the grief felt by her 'loyal subjects' in the Falklands.

Individually, Islanders have been quick to express their affection for the Princess and sadness at her death in an official Book of Condolence located at Government House. Residents in the Camp will also have the chance to sign the book, as it is to be flown by the Falkland Islands Government Air Service to Fox Bay, Hill Cove and Port Howard next week.

On Friday, September 5, a service in memory of Princess Diana is to be held in Christ Church Cathedral at 3pm. For those who cannot attend, the service is to be broadcast live on the radio, and at some time between 3.45 and 4.00pm it is hoped that all residents of the Falklands will join in a minute's silence. At the time of the service the Book of Condolence will be available for signing in the Parish Hall.

Writing from London, Sukey Cameron, the Islands' representatives at the Falkland Islands Government Office commented, "the

Her Majesty's loyal subjects in and indeed all residents of the Falkland Islands learnt with shock and grief of the untimely death of Diana, Princess of Wales in Paris last night. We share the grief of the people of the United Kingdom, and many countries of the world, at this tragedy. Our hearts go out especially to her two sons, Their Royal Highnesses Prince William and Prince Harry.

On behalf of the Government and all the people of the Falkland Islands, and all members of Her Majesty's forces serving in the South Atlantic, I send deepest condolences to Her Majesty The Queen, His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales and his two sons, and the members of Diana, Princess of Wales' family. Flags in the Falkland Islands are flying at half mast as a mark of respect and sorrow.

*R P Ralph CMG CVO
Governor*

flag at Falkland House has been flying at half mast, and the window display will be cleared on Friday evening and will be replaced with a picture of the Princess, and a copy of the message sent to her Majesty on behalf of the Falkland Islands."

Ms Cameron goes on to say, "There has been a constant stream of people passing the office on their way to lay floral tributes at Buckingham Palace. The flower stand opposite the office had completely sold out by 10.00am on Monday."

It is understood by FIGO that six Falkland Islands veterans are to attend the funeral service in Westminster Abbey on August 6. Falklands veterans will be represented by Dr. Rick Jolly OBE (Chairman of the South Atlantic Medal Association and former Surgeon Commander RN and OC Ajax Bay Field Hospital 1982), Denzil Connick (3rd Bn Parachute Regt '82, lost a leg during Mount Longdon action), Tony Davies MBE (RSM 1st Bn Welsh Guards '82), Steve Newland MM (Corporal Royal Marines '82, injured and decorated for gallantry), John Phillips DSC WO2 Royal Engineers '82, lost an arm while defusing a bomb in HMS *Antelope* and Andrew Lockett (Former royal Navy Lt. Commander, served in HMS *Endurance* '82).

Below: HE the Governor signs the Book of Condolence



Dependent territories review should not to be seen as British change of heart over Falklands

FOLLOWING a statement from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office that the results of a Dependent Territories Review would be announced in February 1988, at the Dependent Territories Association (DTA) conference, an FCO spokesman has commented to a

Mercopress reporter that, "the process should not be interpreted that Britain is reconsidering its rights of sovereignty over the Falkland Islands."

The spokesman explained that the recent Montserrat crisis had demonstrated that neither the Brit-

ish Government nor the dependent territories citizens themselves were clear about the constitutional and moral responsibilities that Britain has over its territories.

"The review," he said, "should give everyone a chance to consider the relationship between the mother

nation and its overseas territories, and give all parties a clear view of the future."

The DTA has commented that the FCO have declared that they look forward to full consultation with the dependent territories during the course of the review.

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PAROCHIAL we may be, and perhaps open to the charge of being necessarily insular, reporting as we do on the weekly lives of a minuscule slice of the world's population, but we are, nevertheless, still a newspaper, and therefore by default part of a media which this week has come under critical scrutiny and earned considerable condemnation for the part some of its less reputable members played in the subterranean tragedy that resulted in the deaths of Diana, Princess of Wales, her companion, Dodi al Fayed, and their driver, Henri Paul, in France last week.

Because of that guilt by association expressions of condolence from any newspaper, no matter how sincerely felt, might well seem to have the ring of the empty vessel about them. The easy course to take would evidently be in a direction immediately opposed to controversy, but it would also be ducking a responsibility to both the paper and the public. It is my fervent hope, then, that when I, too, admit to sharing the feeling of loss that has resounded around the entire planet, and that my thoughts are predominantly with the bereaved families who, in individual ways known only to themselves, must learn to live in a world suddenly robbed, not of a glamorous icon or a fairy tale Princess, nor a millionaire businessman, or a chauffeur, but of a mother, a son and a brother, readers will take these words at face value, as they are meant, and not read into them some scurrilous hidden agenda.

Having said that, it is an over-simplification to claim that the so called 'paparazzi', driven by the dollar, represent, for most in the profession, the unacceptable face of journalism. We should all be aware of the chain of demand and remember that the sad, and perhaps salutary, fact is, the 'dollar' they are chasing will only come from that same newspaper world which now villifies them, and whose members constantly compete for circulation which means they, in turn, are funded by copy sales to a sometimes sensation-seeking public.

THERE is a distinctly political flavour about this week's issue with the centre pages dominated by the Governor's report on the last ExCo meeting, and the Notice of Election published by the Returning Officer. Elsewhere you will find an outline of the achievements of the out-going Council, and there is a letter (this page) from Alastair Forsyth, the honorary secretary of the South Atlantic Council. For those who have thus far remained in blissful ignorance of the SAC and what they stand for, they are an unofficial body many of whose known members have, or have had in the past, business interests in Argentina. Mr Forsyth himself runs a small investment business dealing largely in Latin America, as does Lord Montgomery - another member - who has, in the past, been vociferous in his support of the Argentine cause.

Though it is tempting to think of the SAC as a fuzzy-thinking, do-gooding group with little influence and ideas borne from the highest, altruistic motives, the truth is their leaders are clever men, politically perceptive, financially astute, and, since Mr Forsyth became secretary, extremely active. Their membership includes several lords, their chairman is an MP, they have produced the now famous 'memo', they are pressing Robin Cook for a meeting to discuss the issue further and they are planning to stage a seminar in December, ostensibly to bring SAC members up to date, but to which non-SAC members will be invited.

Mr Forsyth and the SAC speak (and write) with the voice (and pen) of apparent sweet reason. They couch their arguments in typically ambiguous language, but the bottom line is (as Mr Forsyth admitted in a radio interview with Patrick Watts this week) that the SAC do not believe in the Islander's right to self-determination. As a colony, Mr Forsyth said, we have to take into account the wishes and interests of Britain, and he quoted the example of his own situation living in a British village. "I can't do what I like, I have to respect the interests of the rest of Britain." The surreal absurdity of this argument left me breathless. Where is the parallel between a centuries-secure, sleepy Suffolk village and Stanley? Does Mr Forsyth's urbane manner conceal the heart of a revolutionary? Has he plans to invade the next village and claim a new sovereign state?

There was much else to wonder at in that same interview. By his own admission, in the fifteen years he has involved himself in Falkland affairs Mr Forsyth has not once been to the Islands, though he has attended many conferences in Argentina. Mr Forsyth is not a politician but he seems to have mastered that profession's art of answering the question he wants to hear rather than the one he was asked. Patrick: *What do you know about the Falklands and the people?* Mr Forsyth: *I was born in Hong Kong. At the end of the day we should be asking Mr Forsyth and the SAC the question: why are they trying to fix what ain't broke?* The only problem we have in the Falklands is the spurious claim being pressed by an unwelcome neighbour. Perhaps the SAC should take their political pliers and their intellectual spanners and tighten a few diplomatic nuts in Argentina. In any event the SAC and their machinations bear watching. We should not permit their initiatives to go on unchallenged.

The Editorial was written this week by Deputy Editor, Tony Burnett

Your letters

SAC 'solutions'?

I READ *Penguin News* regularly and enjoy its fortnightly arrival in my letterbox.

I am a little concerned however by your commentary (August 29th) on the South Atlantic Council memorandum "The Falkland Islands: Options for the Future", and on what I said relating to the memorandum in an interview with *Calling The Falklands*.

With respect to the first, can I underline that the memorandum does not recommend any specific solution. It lists nine options that have been considered in the past and goes on to say, in a key passage, the following:

"Some of the above options provide sharp alternatives to each other but they are not all mutually incompatible. A simple orthodox exclusive view of sovereignty does not offer a plausible solution, but some form of permanent cooperative arrangements between Britain and Argentina, combined with self-government for the Islanders is most likely to succeed."

With respect to the second, I was asked in the interview if I believed in self-determination for the Islands, I replied, "up to a point". Because you cannot have your cake and eat it. If you opt to remain British and a British colony

you cannot at the same time claim an unrestricted right to self-determination. You have to take into account and respect the interests of Britain.

May I make two additional points?

The South Atlantic Council, of which I am the Honorary Secretary, is limited to fifty members. All its members are British. It has two associate non-voting members who are Argentinians resident for many years in Britain. It would welcome - very much - participation by Falkland Islanders who share its objectives.

Its objectives are not, as is sometimes thought, to promote better relations between Britain and Argentina. They are to bring about a permanent solution, a fair and civilised solution, acceptable, and we hope beneficial, to all the parties.

I believe part of this solution has to be a permanent British commitment to the Islanders, never without the agreement of the Islanders to be bargained away or compromised.

I also believe it is a good time to be working for this kind of a solution

Alastair Forsyth
Hon Sec SAC

Open wide - again!

SOME of your readers of David Fyfe's article "Open Wide Sir!" in last week's issue will have remembered dentist, Robert (BOB) Duncan from his time here in the 1950's. My wife, Jane, and I have known Bob for many years, and you may be interested to know he is still practising dentistry on a group of Islands having more than a few connections with the Falklands - the Seychelles.

We met Bob there in June last year and found him in very good form - his practice is on the main island of Mahe, and we found it to be a very busy one. The accompa-

nying photograph, with Bob on the right, was taken at a reception kindly arranged for Jane and I, and shows four who have seen service in both the Seychelles and the Falklands - the fourth, probably not recognised here by more than just a few, is Roy Fonseca, who was in the British SAS and landed with Lieutenant Hamilton on West Falkland a month before the Task Force arrived.

Both were captured but Roy's life was thankfully spared and he briefly met Robin Lee at Port Howard when released.

Graham France



Write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley, Falkland Islands

Government does support sport

IT WOULD be remiss of me, as Chairman of the Falkland Islands Overseas Games Association (FIOGA) not to respond to Jim Moffatt's letter in *Penguin News* of 31st August.

I have no desire to criticize what Mr Moffatt wrote in any way, but I wish to point out that FIOGA has recently received more than generous support from the Government, culminating in Councillors making up to £15,000 available to assist with the travel expenses for all the competitors who attended the recent Island Games in Jersey. This enabled all competitors, other than those who had sponsorship, to have 50% of their air fares and hotel accommodation funded by Government.

In the event just over £10,050 was used, but Government agreed that of the surplus, £1000 could be used to purchase Falklands' flags which can be used at all international events.

I understand that around £8,000 was approved by Councillors to assist the recent moto cross team members to compete in Britain, so I think we can say that there is now an obvious awareness by

Councillors as to just how important is Falklands' participation at overseas international events.

I agree with Mr Moffatt that it would be most advantageous for Government to fund a four lane 400 meters running track, which would encourage many non-long distance runners to train in the middle distance and sprints events, while regular funding to bring in qualified coaches periodically, in all sports, and particularly before Commonwealth and Island Games Competitions would be most welcome.

FIOGA itself operates under a legal constitution drawn up by the Senior Crown Counsel, and democratic elections are held every two years. The association current membership comprises the badminton, swimming, running, golf, rifle, gun, football, netball and squash clubs who each pay £25 a year subscription, while other sporting clubs are most welcome to join.

FIOGA is recognized internationally as the Falklands' official representative sporting body.
PATRICK WATTS
Chairman, FIOGA.

Argos trawler south bound to South Georgia

PICTURED below is the *Argos Galicia* preparing for her south-bound voyage to South Georgia waters. The 1700 ton stern trawler has been chartered by the South Georgia Government for one month from Argos Limited, the Stanley based fishing company moored this week at FIPASS.

Argos Galicia was expected to slip her moorings at FIPASS, where she has spent much of this week, sometime on Thursday, September 4.

Aboard are some twenty two

crew members and ten scientists from the Imperial College who are undertaking the month long mission to gather data in what has been described as an 'exploratory fishing' expedition.

There have been similar undertakings in the past but this is the first time a commercial fishing vessel has been used.

Over seventy metres in length *Argos Galicia* has the capacity to store up to 1400 tons of frozen catch. On her return she will return to normal fishing operations.



Rogers rapped

I SHOULD like to correct the statement on the front page of *Penguin News* of August 22, that I had expressed 'shock and fury' at a recent article in the Sunday Telegraph.

In my letter to that paper I merely said I was surprised to see that such an experienced foreign affairs hand as John Simpson had been beguiled by Dr di Tella into believing that Argentina would settle for something less than sovereignty. I expressed neither shock nor fury. That was how *La Nacion* reported my letter in Argentina, where it obviously touched a raw nerve.

Readers may be interested in a follow-up letter in the Sunday Telegraph of August 31, from one 'Neil Rogers, Stanley, Falkland Islands', accusing me of having a thirty three per cent stake in Desire Petroleum (I have one per cent) and asserting that, if oil is found, I will more than likely own most of the Falkland Islands, and that the only way the average 'Benny' will get anything out of it will be through investing in my

company. I may be out of touch but, in my book, the correct term for a genuine Islander is 'kelper' and 'Benny' is a pejorative word coined by a few bored and disgruntled servicemen after the war in 1982.

More to the point is the implication in Mr Rogers' letter that my criticism of John Simpson was motivated by self-interest.

I have no need to remind Islanders of my commitment to their cause. My record stands for itself. I have no desire to own any part of the Falkland Islands, but I have every desire to see that Islanders do. I am in the oil business to ensure that Islanders get a fair slice of the cake - if cake there be.

The trouble with letters like Mr Rogers' is that the average reader in the UK assumes that it comes from a genuine Islander, and that it accurately reflects Islander opinion. I don't mind the slur on my character but I do mind the way in which it misrepresents the true feelings of Islanders.

Sir Rex Hunt

Visitors wed



THE wedding took place at the Malvina House Hotel on Saturday, August 23, between Chrissie McLean and Howard Duncan, and was attended by a small gathering of close relatives and friends.

The couple arrived in the Falklands earlier in the month as surprise guests for Billy (Howard's brother) and Rene's golden wedding. Howard left the Falklands some 39 years ago and made his home on the Isle of Mull where he met Chrissie.

Photo/Report Sharon Halford

Stanley Co-operative Society

The following are a small selection of goods due to arrive on board M.V. "Andreas Boye".

Blue Dragon Coconut Milk 400g
 Steradent Tablets 30 tablets
 Pearl Soap Pink, White 125g
 Carex Hand Wash 250ml
 Lux Soap 125g
 Office Devil Scissors 8"
 Pears Transparent Soap 125g
 Shield Aqua 125g
 Knights Castile 125g
 Sch. Tonic 500ml
 Sch. Dry Ginger Ale 500ml
 Micro Noodles Pot
 Micro Rice Pot
 E180 Video Tapes
 Milky Way Crispy Roll
 Wispa & Wispa Gold
 Marvel Milk 340g
 H/S Peas & Carrots 300g
 H/S Cut Green Beans 290g
 H/S Tea Bags Fine Blend 80's & 160's

H/S Cornflakes 500g
 Crunchy Bran 375g
 Shredded Wheat 12 bisc.
 Quaker Oats 375g
 Jacobs H/Bake Water Biscuits
 H/S Evap. Milk 410g
 Ideal Milk small
 Wine Gums 227g
 Quaker Puffed Wheat
 Twin Eng. Breakfast Tea Bags 50's
 Bisto Gravy Granules 170g
 Lion Pure Ground Garlic 40g
 Viota Dessicated Coconut 170g
 H/S Swiss Style Muesli 375g
 H/S Apple Juice 1 ltr
 H/S Orange Juice 1 ltr
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 1001 Spruce 'n' Clean 550ml
 Whitworths Marzipan 250gm



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SMALL NUMBER OF HEATED GREENHOUSE TOMATO PLANTS AVAILABLE THIS WEEKEND. COLD TUNNEL PLANTS READY IN OCTOBER

AS A MARK OF RESPECT, BECAUSE OF THE TRAGIC DEATH OF DIANA, PRINCESS OF WALES, THE GARDEN CENTRE WILL BE CLOSED SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH

How did they do?

FOUR years ago, in 1993, the newly elected Council began life facing a hugely challenging term in office.

Burning local issues included roads - then as now - the subject of much debate: the Constitution; housing; fishing stocks and revenue; immigration: the lack of classroom space in the Infant/Junior School; the Stud Flock; the Stanley Town Plan; conservation; tourism; Bodie Creek Bridge; and, of course, the emerging prospect of oil.

Internationally we were watching the renewed trading relationship between Britain and Argentina carefully, and there were concerns over our public image in the

PROGRESS - 1993 - 1997

- 1) **POLITICAL (EXTERNAL)**
 - * Successful Lobbying of Labour Party
 - * Publication of the 'Future for the Falkland Islands'
 - * Enhanced use of public relations
 - * Successful lobbying in the USA
 - * "Self-Determination" far more widely accepted
 - * The positive aspects of Chevening
 - * The Oil Agreement
 - * Increased consultation from the FCO
- 2) **POLITICAL (INTERNAL)**
 - * Gradual evolution of democratic power:
 - Revision of Constitution
 - Enhanced Committee structure
 - More consultation with public
 - Emphasis emerging on Standards in public life
- 3) **FINANCIAL**
 - * Substantial increase in total reserves
 - * More sophisticated management of funds
 - * Gradual improvement in systems:
 - Computerisation
 - Accrual accounting planned
 - Internal Auditor
- 4) **ECONOMIC**
 - * Steady growth in economy
 - * Improved standard of living
 - * Thorough review carried out by Coopers & Lybrand
 - * Continuing growth in private sector
 - * Island-wide pension scheme planned
- 5) **INFRASTRUCTURE**
 - * Substantial expansion of roads in Camp
 - * Camp telephone system improvement
 - * Standard Chartered Bank building

- * Junior School extension
 - * "Sites & Buildings" working group set up
 - * Abattoir - approved
 - * Air links with Chile - greatly improved
 - * East Stanley Development
 - * Murray Heights homes
 - * Transport Review
 - * Quarry improvements
 - * By-pass links
 - * Solved generator problem
 - * Improved Stanley water supply
- 6) **OIL**
 - * Successful launch and completion of Oil Licensing Round
 - * Creation of new Department of Oil
 - 7) **AGRICULTURE**
 - * Greatly enhanced research programme
 - * Reconstruction of Agricultural Advisory Committee
 - * A second vet
 - * Sorted out the Stud Flock issue - 2nd Stud Flock
 - * Continuation of financial assistance
 - * General acceptance of diversification
 - * Future of FLH brighter than for years
 - 8) **EDUCATION**
 - * Results highly satisfactory
 - * Relationship with and policy towards Peter Symonds improved
 - * Open university developed
 - * Renewed emphasis on Vocational Education
 - * Further development of Special Needs capability
 - 9) **FISHERIES**
 - * Highly successful maintenance of

United Kingdom.

In a brief pre-election survey conducted by *Penguin News* to identify issues considered most important by electors, sovereignty, oil, unemployment and alcohol consumption by the youth of the Islands were the top four.

So, it would seem, not much has changed. Or has it?

From Legislative Council records, past editions of *Penguin News*, and other sources, the following analysis of the 'progress' made in the years 1993 to 1997 has been compiled. It makes no mention of what might be called 'failures', but is nonetheless interesting, and perhaps surprising reading.

- * income
 - * Enhancement of Patrol Vessel situation
 - * Development of toothfish fishery
 - * Introduction of new Fisheries Policy
 - * Set-up of Fisheries Advisory Committee
 - * Flagging of Falkland Islands vessels
- 10) **MEDICAL**
 - * Greatly improved Speech Therapy capability
 - * Psychiatric capability
 - * Dental care
 - * Mammography care
 - 11) **PLANNING**
 - * Work on Island Plan begun
 - * Appointment of Environmental Planning Officer
 - * Stanley Town Plan
 - * PWD now planning thoroughly
 - 12) **GOVERNMENT**
 - * Emphasis on training - especially Graduate scheme
 - * Benefits of Hay in structure and motivation
 - * Clear Energy Policy

- * Step change in computerisation
 - * Successful Census
 - * Re-vamp of Cost of Living index
 - * Waste Management issues
 - * Open government
 - * Geological map
- 13) **ENVIRONMENT**
 - * Ongoing funding for FI Conservation
 - * Successful Baseline Survey work
 - * Appointment of two officers in EPO Department
 - * Consultation of Standing - legislation coming
 - 14) **OTHER MATTERS**
 - * The Falklander - reached a plateau?
 - * Tourism - developing
 - * KTV
 - * Museum/Archives/Archaeology
 - * Bodie Creek Bridge
 - * The MORI Poll
 - * Fire Safety report
 - * Seaman's Centre
 - * FIDF report
 - * Holiday Voucher scheme
 - * Immigration



Pictured (left) is Steven Davies, son of Stanley couple, Jackie and Taff Davies. Steven qualified last week as a Chartered Accountant. He has been working with Accountants Hughes/Allen of Chelmsford but has now become an Assistant Manager in the Financial Business Unit of KPMG - one of the UK's "Big Six" practices.

Election is welcome challenge

John Rowland (42) the newly appointed Registrar General is the man tasked with orchestrating the smooth execution of the forthcoming general election on October 9.

The run up to the election, as far as John is concerned, has already begun with the publication of the rules of the election and the opening of the period during which nominations for prospective coun-

cillors can be accepted.

There will be three Polling Stations in operation on October 9 - Goose Green, Fox Bay, and Stanley, and mobile polling teams will be visiting other Camp stations courtesy of FIGAS.

Despite the intensity of the situation, John states he is enjoying this early challenge in his career as Registrar.



Tom Beattie dies

TOM BEATTIE died on Thursday, August 21, aged 82 years.

Tom was brought up on a large sheep farm in Cumberland before winning scholarships to study Agriculture at Durham University.

In 1939 at the age of 24 he and his wife, Ada, set out for the Falklands where they lived for 14 years, Tom becoming a Stock Inspector, a job he held for five years before returning to the United Kingdom on leave. On arriving back in the Falklands Tom was appointed, by the FIC, to the post of manager at Port Stephens.

When he returned to the UK to

live he turned to dairy farming. Later, leaving their son to take over the farm, the couple travelled to Colombia to head a mission of the Overseas Development Agency with the objective of introducing sheep farming in the Andes.

The next stop was Turkey, where Tom helped implement a World Bank loan programme for dairy farming. Finally the couple retired to live at Ivythorn Farm, in Street, Somerset.

Tom made an early contribution to world enlightenment about the Islands with his book entitled *Falkland Islands Interlude*.

Government House is looking for a freelance gardener to maintain three FCO staff gardens around Stanley. The contractor would be required to work approximately two hours at each property once a month in October, November, February, March and April and twice a month in December and January. Equipment will be provided but not transport and the hourly rate is £7.00. Any refuse is the responsibility of the contractor. Times of work are negotiable. Could any interested persons contact Mrs Joanne Lawrence, Management Officer at Government House on tel: 27433 during office hours.

Governor's report on the meeting of ExCo

HAVING just returned from leave earlier this week, I chaired a meeting of ExCo on Thursday 28 August. Of the members, the Commander was absent on duty in the UK, the Attorney General, who is also on leave in the UK, was substituted by Robert Titterton, and Councillor Richard Stevens took the place of Councillor Norma Edwards, who is also away. We had an unusually long agenda to get through, and therefore went on until well into the afternoon. The subjects in which readers will be particularly interested were as follows, in the order in which they arose.

Government service pensions

First, Executive Council had another look at the long standing issue of disparities between the level of Government service pensions dating from before the advent of fisheries related prosperity, and that of more recent pensions, on which we continue to receive representations. There are a number of undoubted difficulties about this: it is not quite as simple to rectify as one might think. But we asked the Financial Secretary to produce some concrete proposals and options for consideration by the next Executive Council, so I hope to have some more positive news then.

Consultancy costs

Secondly, ExCo considered a paper produced by the Chief Executive analysing the Government's expenditure on consultancies of one sort or another over the past three years. I am aware of a certain amount of "consultancy fatigue" amongst many Falkland Islanders about this, and Councillors wanted to see the whole picture. The problem of course is that we simply don't have the necessary skills here in the Islands to do all of the work we as a society want to do, so we really have no choice but to employ consultants, though we need to be sparing about this, and to ensure that we get the best possible value for money. Information will be published in due course showing exactly what we do spend our, or rather I should say your, money on in this respect, which I hope will do something to counter misapprehensions.

Para memorial

ExCo went on to confirm their approval of a gift of £400 towards a bench by what sounds like a beautiful memorial in County Down, in Northern Ireland, to the 44 men of the Parachute Regiment who died during the 1982 conflict to liberate the Falkland Islands (as well as to the other 51 paras killed in Northern Ireland since 1969.) There will be a suitably engraved brass plate on our bench.

Electricity grant scheme

ExCo then approved a slight change to the Domestic Electricity and Installation Safety Improvement Grant Scheme, which as everyone knows was introduced to help householders is-

land-wide to upgrade their domestic electrical wiring. What the amendment does is to allow a qualified electrical contractor, and not just PWD, to undertake this work, and to remove the requirement for applicants to obtain a second quotation. People in Stanley and Fox Bay will be able to reclaim payment for final inspection by qualified electrical contractors.

Mark-up for Central Stores

Next Councillors approved proposals giving the Financial Secretary limited discretion to modify the mark-up on sales to the public from Central Stores. The price at the moment is set at cost ledger value plus 33.3 percent stores overhead charge. To reassure local businessmen, I want to emphasise that such discounts will not affect other private suppliers of the product.

Occupational pensions

The next point concerns the setting up of an Occupational Pensions Board, as part of our updating of occupational pensions legislation. The new Board will be responsible for running the scheme. The Economic Adviser, Richard Wagner, will be chairman, and a number of other people from the administration and the community will also be invited to participate.

Stanley House security

Parents of children at the Stanley House Hostel will be interested and, I hope, pleased to hear that the establishment of a night watchman post at the school hostel was approved to enhance security. Recruitment will now go ahead in the normal way.

Shearing gear hygiene rules

On the farming front, Councillors approved new rules so that any shearing gear brought in by overseas based shearers which is found to be, or is suspected of being, contaminated must be dipped in a special chemical disinfectant. I am told that most of the gear which comes in is immaculate, but we still need to take every reasonable measure to ensure that we remain free from imported pests and diseases.

FLH - 'marginal' land sales

As regards Falkland Landholdings, ExCo agreed in principle that FLH could sell off some marginal areas of its land to raise funds for reinvesting in the company's asset base. Details will be released by the company in due course. I might just mention here too that the Chief Executive has also now fulfilled a longstanding

pledge to resign from the Board of Falkland Landholdings. A Councillor will sit on the Board to represent the Government's interest.

Agriculture

Still on the subject of agriculture, ExCo considered two interesting papers produced by the Director of Agriculture, Bob Reid, describing the development of a pasture improvement programme, and a tree and shelter belt scheme, on which the Department of Agriculture are working. More work will need to be done on both of these schemes before a fully costed proposal can be put to Executive Council, but it is good to know that progress is being made in these two important areas. I am sure that there is on-going consultation between the Department and the farming community on these matters.

Conservation

Some listeners may be wondering where matters stand on the question of preparing modern legislation designed to protect wildlife, and to address other conservation issues, in the Falkland Islands. This of course is the natural sequel to the Standing Report of mid-1995, on the basis of which a Green Paper was prepared and published. Briefly, we have by no means lost sight of this, and are anxious to press ahead with producing legislation, the target date being early 1998.

Driving licences

Changing the subject, ExCo approved in principle the introduction of a new driving licence and associated forms. The main aim is to enable the production of driving licences by computer.

Fisheries - licences

On the fisheries front, ExCo considered and approved proposals by the Director of Fisheries relating to licence fees and types for the first season of 1998. Details will be made available to fishing companies and others, as in the normal way. Let me simply say now that licence types will remain very broadly the same as in previous years; and we are not planning to change the existing fisheries policy, recognising the desirability of stability and predictability for the fishing industry. Some of the fees will go up slightly, though not for loligo squid, which will remain as in the first season for 1998. I should also mention that the number of long term Illex licences will also be increased from about 10% to about 25% of total effort.

Fisheries - science

Still on the subject of fisheries, Executive Council also gave broad approval to proposals that more of the scientific work on our fisheries, which is currently done (and done very well) by Imperial College in London, should be done here in the Falkland Islands. Provided we can recruit suitably qualified experts, our aim will be to phase this in over the

next few years.

Education - further education policy

As for Education, it became clear recently that, although we have a Further Education policy, this had never really been set out clearly in writing. Executive Council therefore approved a paper, adumbrating such a policy so that all concerned can be very clear where we stand.

One particular point worth mentioning is that the Government's preferred option for students taking academic courses will continue to be Peter Symonds' College in Winchester, which we continue to regard as the best available boarding sixth form college. However, the Government will, as at present, continue to support students at any suitable further education college who want to do vocational courses.

In this, as in all other respects, the policy paper is merely a restatement of the existing position.

Socio-Economic Study

Turning to the Coopers and Lybrand study, members of ExCo had a discussion of a number of aspects and options as regards the future development of the islands, whether there is any oil or not. Obviously one of the most important issues will be the question of immigration and population increase. Another is whether we should allow in people to work at lower wages than Falkland Islanders are paid.

Since this is a very big subject, I won't say anything further at this stage. But the Coopers and Lybrand report, which we now call the *Island Plan*, will now be published so that anyone who's interested can see it. Copies will be available from the Secretariat, at a cost of £5 each. I commend it to you all. It's about your future.

Island Planning Committee

I might just mention here that ExCo also approved the composition, and terms of reference, of an Island Planning Committee to carry forward work flowing from the Coopers and Lybrand report. This Committee will be chaired by the Chief Executive, and will naturally include a Councillor, as well as a number of other people. It will report to Executive Council.

Let me emphasise that this is not some insidious body intended to assert state control of all aspects of life in the Islands, nor have we any hankering after a 'command economy'. It will be very much focused on economic development, its primary task being to prepare proposals for approval by Executive Council. In matters of such fundamental importance, there will be maximum transparency and consultation with the people of the Islands as a whole.

Immigration

I just mentioned immigration. ExCo also considered the results of the questionnaire published not long ago when members of the public were given the opportunity to let us have their views on a discussion document on immigration policy.

Eighty eight questionnaires were received, the vast majority from people in the Islands. Most residents seemed to agree broadly with the general thrust of the discussion document, though a significant number of those who responded did not agree that we need a carefully considered policy to increase the population of the Falkland Islands by a target figure of such and such each year.

Most people seem to favour a natural "trickle" immigration policy. Further work on this subject will now have to wait until after the election, but it is obviously something which the new Legislative Council will wish to address quite early on.

Keppel Island

For those interested in Keppel Island, ExCo approved a number of proposals flowing from a meeting of all the interested bodies and people setting out what we should do to preserve and protect the historic buildings on the Island. Naturally we want to work with, rather than against, the owner of the Island, Mr Fell, who I am sure shares our concern that these buildings, of such historic importance, should not decay.

Oil

Last, but by no means least, ExCo took note of the usual monthly report from the Department of Oil on

developments in relation to oil covering, amongst other things, the contract for an on-shore supply base, for which the closing date for tenders was 25 August; well site surveys; the drilling programme (which remains essentially unchanged); environmental matters; survey work in the so-called special cooperation areas; and a Falklands geological mapping project. As far as the special cooperation area is concerned, we are bound to work within the parameters of the Joint Declaration between the United Kingdom and Argentina, but that doesn't prevent us from undertaking some urgent environmental survey work of our own covering the Southwest shores and approaches of the Islands, on which I know there is considerable local concern about potential pollution hazards.

In conclusion

That concludes my report. As I said at the beginning, this was indeed a long and rather meaty agenda, hence the length of this account. As listeners will know, I have signed a proclamation dissolving Legislative Council as from 1 September, with a view to holding a general election on October 9.

However, Executive Council remains in being, and there will be another regular meeting of ExCo in the second half of September, at which the three designated elected members will be present. So Government goes on, even during the election campaign, although one would expect to defer any major decisions, particularly ones with strong political implications, until the new Legislative Council is in place.

General Purposes Committee

THE last General Purposes Committee Meeting of Councillors in the life of the present Legislative Council took place on Wednesday, August 27, under the Chairmanship of Councillor Bill Luxton. Councillor Luxton explained that a considerable amount of time was taken in discussions about Executive Council papers, before he went on to summarise other items of public interest discussed at the meeting.

"There were a few 'tidying up' items," he said. "For example arranging for Executive Councillors to continue in office, of course, even after the dissolution."

We will need somebody to look after the office while Jenny Luxton's away at the party conferences in September.

We also discussed the South Atlantic Council paper that was published recently, and decided how we would respond to that.

We did ask the Executive Councillors to take up the responsibility of some outside observers at our elections, possibly members of the committee of 24 and so on, whether that

will be approved or not I don't know, but I think we would quite welcome some outside observers to see our democratic process under way.

We had a brief discussion about Stanley Services, and then the Chief Executive attended to report on a number of items he wanted to bring up.

When asked the question, *With reference to the South Atlantic Council's briefing paper - which they (the SAC) are calling 'a window of opportunity', and which is, of course, causing some consternation, what sort of response will you make to this? Will you instruct the Falkland Island Government Office in London to oppose it, to ask for meetings, what is going to happen?* Councillor Luxton replied:

"I think we've suggested that in the short term, as this council is being dissolved, that FIGO should take the lead with this with Profile and with the Falkland Islands Association - there are some good people in the Association who can deal with the situation in the immediate future until the new council is elected."

GENERAL ELECTION OCTOBER 1997 NOTICE OF ELECTION (Section 51 Electoral Ordinance 1988) STANLEY AND CAMP CONSTITUENCIES

I, JOHN CHRISTOPHER ROWLAND, returning Officer in respect of the Stanley Constituency and in respect of the Camp Constituency HEREBY GIVE NOTICE in accordance with Section 51 of the Electoral Ordinance 1988 as follows:-

(1) The number of persons to be elected as members of the Legislative Council, and as a consequence of the Writ of Election transmitted to me on the 1st day of September 1997 by the Governor, shall be -

(a) FIVE members in respect of the Stanley Constituency; and

(b) THREE members in respect of the Camp Constituency

(2) Nomination papers for candidates in respect of each of the above constituencies may be obtained from and including today, the 1st day of September 1997 and until and including 17th day of September 1997, but not including Saturdays, Sundays, and public holidays falling between those dates.

(3) The hours between which nomination papers may be so obtained from me on the days above-mentioned are -

(a) between 8.30 am and 11.45 am; and

(b) between 1.30 pm and 4.15 pm

While I am, at the request of any person, prepared to transmit nomination papers by post or other means to any person requesting them, I cannot accept any responsibility for the safe or timely delivery or arrival of them. All persons are therefore most strongly advised that wherever possible they should collect nomination papers from me.

(4) The location of my office, for the purpose of collection of nomination papers is the Court Offices, Ground Floor, Town Hall, Ross Road, Stanley (these offices are immediately to the west of the Legislative Council Chamber/Court Room). My telephone number at these offices is 27272 and my facsimile number is 27270.

(5) The last day for delivery of completed nomination papers to me will be Wednesday the 17th day of September 1997 and completed nomination papers must be handed to me not later than 4.30pm on that day, at the Court Offices (located as stated in (4) above). While nomination papers may be sent to me by post or otherwise it is the responsibility of those nominating a candidate to ensure that they are actually received by me in due time and I draw attention to the provisions of Section 52(1) of the Electoral Ordinance 1988 -

"52(1) Every nomination paper shall be delivered or sent by or on behalf of the candidate so as to be received by the Returning Officer personally and shall be deemed not to have been received by the Returning Officer until it is received by him personally except that whenever a nomination paper is left at his office in an envelope addressed to him it shall (unless it is actually received by him at an earlier time) be deemed to have been received by him personally not later than half past four in the afternoon of the second business day following the day on which it was so left.

(2) No election shall be invalidated by the fact that the Returning Officer is absent from his office on any day provided that he is in personal attendance thereat on the last day for delivery of nomination papers between the hours specified pursuant to paragraph (f) of section 51(2) above."

(6) I shall be personally in attendance at the Court Offices to receive nomination papers between the hours of 8.30 am and 11.45 am and again between the hours of 1.30 pm and 4.30 pm on the 17th day of September 1997.

(7) In the event that more than FIVE persons after the close of nominations stand validly nominated as candidates for election in respect of the Stanley Constituency or more than THREE persons after the close of nominations stand validly nominated as candidates in respect of the Camp Constituency a poll will be necessary in respect of the relevant Constituency and will be conducted on Thursday the 9th day of October 1997 ("polling day").

The poll will be conducted between the hours of 10.00 am and 6.00 pm on polling day (in the Stanley Constituency) and 9.00 am and 4.00 pm in the Camp Constituency at polling places to be appointed not later than ten days before polling day by the Governor pursuant to section 59(1) of the Electoral Ordinance 1988. BUT SUBJECT (a) in respect of the Camp Constituency, to any direction by the Governor under section 60(1) of that Ordinance permitting electors in this Constituency, if they wish, to vote during the visit of a mobile polling team to any place in this Constituency during the five business days ending with polling day;

(b) in respect of both Constituencies, to the provisions of the Voting in Institutions Regulations 1993, which permit inmates at the King Edward VII Memorial Hospital and the Jack Hayward Housing, Stanley, and certain members of staff employed in relation thereto to vote on polling day during a visit by an electoral team to those Institutions.

Dated this 1st day of September 1997

JOHN CHRISTOPHER ROWLAND

Returning Officer

Stanley Constituency and Camp Constituency

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CHURCHSERVICES

CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY: 8am Holy Communion. 10am Family Communion (first Sunday every month - Family Service) 7pm Evening Prayer

TABERNACLE - free church

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm.

ARK Bookshop:

Saturdays 2-4pm

St. MARY'S

SUNDAY: 10am

(MPA 6.45pm).

Week days: 9am

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

TEL: 74350-SUNDAY 8am Holy Communion; 10.30am Eucharist/Morning worship; 6.45pm Holy Mass MONDAY: 6.30am Mass WED: 7.30pm Holy communion; 8pm Bible Study

BAHA' I FAITH

For information on meetings please ring Tel: 21957 (evenings)

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:

07	0204	0.6	WED		
SUN	0820	1.5	10	0353	0.8
	1423	0.5		1034	1.4
	2048	1.4		1716	0.6
	Sunrise 0615			Sunrise 0608	
	Sunset 1726			Sunset 1730	

Fox Bay +2hr 30m
Roy Cove +4 hrs 30m
Port Howard +3hrs 19m
Teal Inlet +3hrs 30m
Sea Lion Is. +1hr 15m
Port Stephens
+3hrs 15m
Hill Cove +4hrs
Berkeley Sound +1hr 11m
Port San Carlos
+ 2hr 55m
Darwin Harbour -56m

September

06	0138	0.5			
	0750	1.5			
SAT	1348	0.5			
	2007	1.4			
	Sunrise 0617				
	Sunset 1724				

September

08	0235	0.6	11		
MON	0854	1.4	THURS	0006	1.2
	1505	0.6		0456	0.9
	2137	1.3		1148	1.3
	Sunrise 0613			1849	0.6
	Sunset 1727			Sunrise 0606	
				Sunset 1732	

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TUE	0936	1.4	12	0135	1.2
	1600	0.6	FRI	0633	0.9
	2243	1.2		1308	1.4
	Sunrise 0610			2004	0.5
	Sunset 1729			Sunrise 0603	
				Sunset 1734	

LIBRARY

Monday - Friday

08.45am - 12 noon and

1.30pm-5.45pm

Saturday: 10am - 12 noon

2pm-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 Liz Burnett, Tel:21770 or Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

SQUASH CLUB Thursdays 5-9pm

Contact Dik Sawle Tel 21414

NETBALL CLUB Tuesdays 6-8pm.

Wednesday 6-7pm All are welcome

Contact Sarah Allan 22119

THE FI GUN CLUB New members

welcome Contact Ped Tel: 21663

or Graham Didlick 21622 P.O. Box 540

F.I. RIFLE ASSOCIATION Contact Secretary G Cheek, 21402

STANLEY GOLF CLUB Competitions on Sunday at 8.45 am. Contact Mike Summers on tel: 21542

FI MOTORCYCLE ASSOC.

All queries & Information on races etc contact Andrew Newman

21606 or Rowena Summers 21015

YMCA Accommodation available

Contact Terry Peck 21074

ASTHMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets second Tuesday of every third month in Day Centre at 5pm

Contact Graham France on 21624

FALKLAND ISLANDS RED

CROSS ASSOCIATION New members welcome. Contact Secretary Irene Baker 20839 or Chairman Nick Hadden, 21014

GUILD OF SPINNERS, WEAVERS & HANDICRAFTS Meetings on Wednesday evening at 7.30pm

Contact Marj McPhee, tel: 21106

CANCER SUPPORT & AWARE-

NESS TRUST Contact Shiralee Collins, 21597, Sister Bridie 22086, Derek Howatt 21385

FIODA Actors/singers/stagehands contact Alan 21019

DIABETIC ASSOCIATION

Meets first Thursday of every month. 7.30pm in the Day Centre

STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB Contact D. Humphreys Tel. 22028

Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm, Fridays 4-5

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB

Contact David McLeod Phone: 20836 (day), 20843 (home)

RUNNING CLUB Meets Wednesday 5.30pm, contact Tracy Porter 21574

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Meets 1st Monday every month @ 2000 hrs, WO1&Sgt Mess, Hillside Camp. All ex or serving Service persons welcome. Contact A Geach, R Fiddes or KD Greenland for info 21454 or 27222.

F.I. WESTERN LINE DANCE CLUB: Meets DrillHall. Beginners Classes - Sun:6pm. Advanced Classes - Sun: 7pm. Club Night (All welcome) - Mon: 7pm. Contact Tricia Hanlon 21406

STANLEY SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB Friday 7-9pm Sundays 4-5pm. Contact Angela Lee on 21762 or M. Humphreys on 22028

JELLY TOTS CLUB meets Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays at the Day Centre from 2.30 - 4pm. All welcome

WELL BABY/CHILD CLINIC Day Centre KEMH Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am. Contact Miranda Cheek Health Visitor 27418

Leisure Centre Holiday Times - Further Information/Bookings: tel 27291

Day	Pool	Courts	
Monday	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming	10.00 - 9.00 Public
	2.00-4.00	Public	
	5.00-7.00	Public	
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults	
Tuesday	10.00 - 12.00	Public	10.00-9.00 Public
	12.00-1.00	Lanes	
	2.00-4.00	Public	
	5.00-7.00	Public	
	7.00-8.00	Ladies	
Wednesday	12.00-1.00	Lanes	10.00-9.00 Public
	2.00-4.00	Public	
	5.00-7.00	Public	
	7.00-8.00	Adults	
		Public	
Thursday	4.00-7.00	Public	10.30-12.00 Parents/Toddlers
	7.00-9.00	Private Hire	12.00-9.00 Public
Friday	10.00 - 11.30	Parents/Toddlers	
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming	
	2.00-4.00	Public	
	5.00-7.00	Public	
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults	
		Public	
Saturday	10.00 - 4.00	Public	10.00 - 6.00 Public
	4.00-5.00	Adults	
Sunday	10.00 - 4.00	Public	10.00 - 6.00 Public
	4.00-5.00	Adults	

Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER (Programmes subject to change out of respect for Diana, Princess of Wales)
 9.15 PLASMO (New)
 9.20 MOONEY AND MAGEE (New)
 9.30 SOOTY & CO
 9.50 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 10.15 ELIDOR
 10.40 MASHED
 12.10 GRANDSTAND Including: Racing from Goodwood. Athletics, and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.30 CARTOON TIME
 6.45 TOP OF THE POPS
 7.15 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN Concluding a two-part story. The US is under the rule of the mysterious John Doe
 8.00 THE OTHER HALF
 8.40 THE EDINBURGH TATTOO
 9.45 NOSTROMO
 11.20 CRIMELINE
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY Highlights from two recent FA Carling Premiership matches, presented by Desmond Lynam

SUNDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER (Programmes subject to change out of respect for Diana, Princess of Wales)
 10.55 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.15 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.40 ON YOUR MARKS Presented by Kriss Akabusi
 12.00 BIG BREAK STARS OF THE FUTURE
 12.30 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.05 SUMMER HOLIDAY
 1.35 THE CHART SHOW
 2.25 BROOKSIDE Cassie points the finger at Elaine and Mick, but will she tell the police?
 3.35 THE VOYAGE OF THE MATTHEW
 4.05 THE GREAT ANTIQUES HUNT from Cornwall
 4.50 SMALL TALK
 5.20 WILDLIFE ON ONE The Otter
 5.50 THE BEST OF LES DAWSON
 6.20 SAVAGE SKIES
 7.10 LAST OF THE SUMMER WINE Something horrible stirs in the woods
 7.40 SURPRISE, SURPRISE
 8.30 DALZIEL AND PASCOE Dalziel and Pascoe go on the trail of the 'Wetheron Choker' who ritually strangles his victims and then rings the local newspaper to quote from Hamlet
 10.05 FRIENDS: US comedy series.
 10.30 500 BUS STOPS
 11.00 ELVIS - A BEGINNER'S GUIDE Special tribute programme including archive footage of concerts and films
 11.10 TOP OF THE POPS II Elvis anniversary special
 12.00 TARRANTS 10 YEARS ON TV

MONDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER
 1.40 25 YEARS OF THE TWO RONNIES
 2.25 COUNTDOWN
 2.50 TRACKS Offbeat countryside stories
 3.20 GARDEN PARTY
 3.45 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
 3.55 MORPH TV WITH TONY HART
 4.10 PHANTOM 2040
 4.35 WOOF!
 5.00 ACTIV-8
 5.25 FILM: TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES III (1992.PG)
 7.00 CORONATION STREET Vera's anniversary present to Jack is enough to chill the blood
 7.50 LENNY'S BIG AMAZON ADVENTURE Lenny Henry sets off for darkest Peru
 8.50 IVANHOE Concluding this drama series based on Sir William Scott's swashbuckling novel, starring Steven Waddington
 9.40 FILM: MISERY (1990,18) Thriller starring James Caan and Kathy Bates. In a remote area of the Colorado Mountains, top novelist Paul Sheldon is badly injured in a car accident and taken in by a former nurse Annie Wilkes
 11.35 POND LIFE
 11.45 OASIS - RIGHT HERE - RIGHT NOW Oasis have spent a year in tabloid hell. Now, back with a new album, the group give an exclusive account of the last year

TUESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER
 2.10 CLOSE ENCOUNTERS
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 THE PRACTICE (New) Life in a busy doctor's surgery
 3.20 CHANGING ROOMS
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: TICKETY BOO
 4.00 ZOT THE DOG
 4.10 TO ME TO YOU
 4.40 THE THUNDERLIZARDS
 4.50 GET WET
 5.15 SNAP!
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Jesse tells Alf he can stick his partnership
 6.00 BRUCE FORSYTH'S PLAY YOUR CARDS RIGHT
 6.30 EMMERDALE Rachel offers Kathy a solution to her problem
 6.55 TREASURE ISLANDS Wildlife documentary series

7.25 EASTENDERS Family and friends join Tiffany and Grant as they celebrate the blessing of their marriage
 7.55 GOODNIGHT MR BEAN
 8.20 AUTUMN ON BFBS
 8.30 THE MAKING OF MOLL FLANDERS
 8.55 THE CROW ROAD Prentice finally discovers Rory's secret about the McHoan family
 10.00 DAVID DIMBLEBY'S INDIA (New)
 10.50 NEVER MIND THE BUZZCOCKS
 11.20 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER
 2.10 CLOSE ENCOUNTERS A look at how humans are helping to build up the barn owl population
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 HOME GROUND
 3.25 WHEEL OF FORTUNE
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: OZZIE THE OWL
 4.00 DR XARGLE
 4.25 CAPTAIN STAR
 4.50 BRIGHT SPARKS
 5.20 ROUND THE TWIST
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Fisher gets an unexpected offer
 6.00 YOU'VE BEEN FRAMED
 6.30 EMMERDALE Marlon enters the job market to find work
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Natalie goes too far. There is a shock announcement from Maureen
 7.45 THE BILL Split Second. A would-be hero's intervention in an armed robbery lands Page in a hostage crisis
 8.10 CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
 8.40 FRIENDS
 9.05 THE GRIMLEYS One-off comedy starring Nigel Planer. 14-year-old Darren Grimley has fallen in love for the first time. The problem is, it's with his English teacher, and he has a rival for her affections - the sadistic Digby, part-man, part-PE teacher
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 FILM: SEE JANE RUN (1995) Thriller starring Joanna Kerns and John Shea. A woman suffering from amnesia has premonitions of danger when she meets a handsome man who claims to be her long-lost husband
 12.00 MATCH OF THE DAY Highlights of two top fixtures in tonight's Premiership games including Everton v Manchester United at Goodison Park

THURSDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER
 2.10 CLOSE ENCOUNTERS
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 THE CALL OF THE SEA
 3.35 GLORIA'S TIME OFF WITH Barbara Windsor
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 4.00 ROSIE AND JIM
 4.15 THE TREACLE PEOPLE
 4.25 DINO BABIES
 4.55 THE BIG BANG
 5.10 RETURN TO JUPITER
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Casey realises that her manipulative ways are costing her friends
 5.55 MASTERCHEF
 6.30 EMMERDALE Wedding bells ring for Lord Alex Oakwell
 6.55 ANIMAL HOSPITAL REVISITED
 7.25 EASTENDERS It's Ricky's big speedway race and as friends and family gather trackside, he suddenly finds himself doubting his ability
 7.55 THE BEST OF AUNTIE'S NEW BLOOMERS with Terry Wogan
 8.30 3D Julia Somerville investigates violence surrounding elver fishing on the River Severn
 9.00 ALEXEI SAYLE'S COMEDY HOUR
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 THIS LIFE Milly throws caution to the wind when Egg accuses her of being boring
 11.10 HORIZON (New) Psychedelic Science:
 12.05 EUROTRASH Antoine de Caunes presents alternate European culture

FRIDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER
 2.10 CLOSE ENCOUNTERS
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 COMEDY CLASSIC: YES, PRIME MINISTER
 3.25 A COOK ON THE WILD SIDE
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: THUMBS UP!
 4.00 GIGGLISH ALLSORTS
 4.10 RUPERT
 4.35 PENNSYLVANIA PET SHOP
 5.00 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
 5.10 THE BIZ
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Shannon moves in with Lachie
 6.00 FAMILY FORTUNES
 6.25 999 LIFESAVERS
 6.55 TREASURE ISLANDS Wildlife documentary series tonight follows scientists from a British Antarctic Survey base
 7.25 EASTENDERS Kathy is determined to get some answers from Phil as she demands to know what has been going on
 7.50 WOKENWELL The people of Wokenwell are terrorised by someone wearing an iron mask
 8.45 MY WONDERFUL LIFE

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

9.10 PLOTLANDS It's a year since Harry sold the first plot in Langton Hill, a good reason for a party
 10.00 LIVE AT JONGLEURS Presented by Rick Wakeman
 10.25 BODYGUARDS (New) Drama series about a police unit specialising in personal security.
 11.15 EDINBURGH NIGHTS

SATURDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER
 10.15 PLASMO
 10.20 MOONEY AND MAGEE
 10.30 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE (New)
 10.55 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 11.20 DAFFY DUCK
 11.25 ELIDOR
 11.50 RUN THE RISK (New)
 12.15 THE O-ZONE
 12.35 FRAGILE KINGDOMS
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including Men's international hockey from Milton Keynes where England face Australia in their second and final Test Match
 6.30 TOP OF THE POPS
 7.00 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN
 7.40 CONFESSIONS (New)
 8.20 ONLY FOOLS AND HORSES
 9.10 NOSTROMO When Sulaco is liberated and proclaimed an independent state, Nostromo's thoughts turn to the silver thought to be lost at sea
 10.35 INSIDE STORY The Cult: this programme investigates the Heaven's Gate cult, 37 members of which committed ritual suicide in San Diego in March

11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY Highlights from two recent FA Carling Premiership matches, presented by Desmond Lynam

SUNDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER
 10.50 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.05 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.30 HURRICANES
 11.55 BIG BREAK STARS OF THE FUTURE
 12.25 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.00 HOT GADGETS
 1.30 THE CHART SHOW
 2.20 BROOKSIDE How will Jacqui react to her new partner?
 3.30 THE VOYAGE OF THE MATTHEW
 4.00 THE GREAT ANTIQUES HUNT from Warwick
 4.40 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE (New)
 5.15 THE FA CUP CARLING PREMIERSHIP Liverpool v Newcastle
 7.05 OH, DOCTOR BEECHING (New)
 7.35 SURPRISE, SURPRISE
 8.30 DALZIEL AND PASCOE
 10.05 FRIENDS
 10.30 BREAKING THE CODE One-off drama based on a true story. Alan Turing was the mathematical genius who cracked the German Enigma code and changed the course of the Second World War
 12.00 IT'S NOT JUST CRICKET WITH RORY BREMNER

The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY September 6

5.00 News BFBS
 5.30 Children's Corner
 6.30 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 7.00 Kelper Style - Carol Stewart
 8.00 News Desk from the BBC
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 The Masterson Inheritance
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY September 7

5.00 News: BFBS
 5.03 Music fill
 5.15 The Archers
 6.15 FIDF Sweepstake result
 6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service-
 8.00 News desk from the BBC
 8.30 Rpt Weather and Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.30 Just: Shopping
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

MONDAY September 8

10.03 Morning show
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.05 Luncheon announcements

B.F.B.S Programmes

5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The Late Afternoon Show
 5.30 Peatstock 1997
 6.00 Country Crossroads
 6.30 News and Sport
 6.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 7.00 From Hoplite to Harrier 2/10
 7.30 The Grumbleweeds
 8.00 News Desk from the BBC
 8.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 8.30 BBC Story of Pop
 9.30 Drama: Butterfly wings and hurricanes
 10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY September 9

10.03 Morning Show
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Luncheon announcements, BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Review of CD's of the week
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 St. News
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 News and Sport
 6.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 7.00 In Concert - Rage against the Machine
 8.00 News desk from the BBC

8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Rpt News Magazine
 9.00 The Human Child
 9.30 The Comedians
 10.00 News BFBS
WEDNESDAY September 10
 10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News BFBS
 12.10 Luncheon announcements, BFBS Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Late Afternoon Show
 5.45 The Folk Show Rpt
 6.30 News and sport
 6.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 7.00 Just a Minute
 7.30 Sad Cypress
 8.00 News Desk from BBC
 8.28 Rpt. weather & flights
 8.30 Classic Concerts
 9.30 Listen with Les
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News from BFBS
THURSDAY September 11
 10.03 Morning Show
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.10 Luncheon Announcements, BFBS Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Music Fill
 All programmes are subject to change. Any changes will be broadcast on FIBS

.....AND OVER TO B.F.B.S.

SATURDAY

0000 News & Me Mark Page 0200 News & Eurozone 0400 News & Benny Brown 0600 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0830 News Magazine 0903 Sports n all 1100 Sport on 5 1400 News & Me Mark Page 1600 News & Benny Brown 1800 News 7 Eurozone with A Donovan 2000 News & Rockola 2200 Steve Mason
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 0000 News & Weekend World - Jamie Gordon 0200 TNews 7 UK Music Week - Gary King 0400 News & Bob Harris 0700 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0800 Steve McQueen 1003 UK Music Week 1200 Luncheon Show 1400 News & Weekend Word - Jamie Gordon 1600 Bob Harris 1900 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 2100 News & Essential selection 2200 News & London Tonight

MONDAY

0000 London tonight continued 0100 News & Gold - Dave Windsor 0200 Today Programme - Radio 4 0400 News & Essential selection 0500 News & early breakfast from London 0600 The Breakfast Show Dusty Miller 0900 Dave Windsor-Gold 1000 News & FIBS Morning Show 1200 News 3" FIBS Announcements 1215 The Archers 1230 BFBS Reports 1300 Newsplus 1330 Sid Olivera 1603 Essential selection 1703 Connect UK - Andy Wright 1900 Evening show 2100 News & Rock Show 2300 News & London Tonight
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Doctor on Horseback...A true story of the Falkland Islands in the 1940's

Smoke signals and bare foot births

ARRIVING too late was a common enough occurrence. One day, I received a message to say that three fires had been sighted from Saunders Island by a shepherd on the Hill Cove Station. There was no telephone and no wireless communication and the manager of Hill Cove told me that three fires signified a request for the Doctor. I asked, I remember, how many times the signal had been seen. Only once, I was told, since the wind had got up and no fires could be seen or contact with the Island made until the winds moderated.

This Island was just about as far away from Fox Bay as it was possible to get and entailed quite complicated changes of guides and horses and at least one night-stop on the way.

I arrived at the manager's house in Hill Cove where, as always, I was warmly welcomed and invited to stay the night. Apparently there was no possibility of establishing contact with the Island because the wind was far too strong, so fire signals were not possible. I suggested that I should just go and not bother about any further communication.

The manager grinned. "How do you reckon you are going to get there, Doctor?"

"Well," I said, "by boat. I suppose."

"The boat has to come from the Island. We don't have a boat on the mainland, not here at any rate."

I raised an eyebrow.

"You see, Doctor, I know it doesn't look far from the mainland to the Island, but it takes two men a good two-and-a-half hours to cover the distance in fine weather since there is a constant east-west current of about ten knots, which makes the passage impossible when the wind is blowing."

I began to feel frustrated not to say nonplussed.

"So what do I do?" I asked.

"Well, our shepherd will send a smoke signal just as soon as he can to say you are waiting to visit. When he gets a reply he can 'phone us here and you can then ride over to the pick-up point which you should reach about the same time as the boat arrives."

"How long will that take?" I asked.

"A day or two, maybe. You are very welcome to stay with us here; in fact, that's what you will have to do."

In the event, I waited three days. Eventually the boat was promised and I set out to ride over, met it exactly on schedule and, after a really difficult row, arrived at the settlement. The manager was politeness itself.

"We are delighted to see you, Doctor, but why have you come?" I told him.

"We don't have any need for a

doctor. No one is ill." Then he paused.

"Wait a minute, Jimmy Smith did send a smoke signal three or four weeks ago but nothing happened, so we assumed no one had seen the signal."

"So, what happened to Smith?" I asked.

"Well, he had a bit of a fall and said he thought he might have broken his leg. He limped about a bit but he was all right in a couple of days."

"Do you realise I have come all this way and been away now for four days for something that never really happened?"

"Well of course, Doctor. I am very sorry about that: but it is so nice to see you. We haven't had a visit from the Doctor here before, not as long as I've been here, anyway."

This disarming remark couldn't be resisted, so I suggested that I should meet as many people as I could.

"You can certainly see everyone on the settlement, but there are only four families and not many in the cookhouse. As to the other shepherds, they are too far away altogether. You see, here we have to think of the weather all the time. You'll be all right until tomorrow afternoon, but any later than that we might not be able to get you to the mainland. I have had visitors stranded here for a week or more and, though we should love to have you, I know you might be needed in other places. In short, Doctor, I would feel much happier if we could get you going by mid-morning tomorrow."

I agreed to this and spent a very interesting time visiting everybody on the station. As usual, there were very few problems or even potential ones. My main interest was really focused on the pregnant mums, or potentially pregnant ones. In these remote places, especially with first babies, it was always as well to ensure that adequate arrangements could be made for transfer to Stanley well before delivery was due. No ante-natal care could be provided, so it was sometimes necessary for the women to move three months ahead of time.

About this time, we were invited to a wedding on the other side of the Island, where a young shepherd was marrying a very young girl. This was quite unusual since men would normally wait until they had saved up enough money to provide for a wife. They would also aim to marry someone who could cope with a shepherd's lifestyle, though I would guess they would goggle at the thought that the word "lifestyle" applied to them. On this occasion, we all rode over to Char- tres and stayed with the Luxtons for the wedding. Shirley didn't ride very often, but she had had riding

lessons at school and everyone was fascinated not only by her smart riding wear but also seeing somebody posting on horseback in the approved English fashion.

"She can't keep that up very long, Doctor," said one of the guides and, of course, he was right. After about twenty minutes the posting was abandoned.

Shirley rode Bachelor. He was the most comfortable and quietest horse we had. Unfortunately, he constantly broke wind as he trotted along, so in this respect he was far from quiet and Shirley had to ride alone behind everybody else.

About a week after this event, we had five rings on the telephone and here was the bridegroom in urgent tones asking me to come at once, his wife was in terrible pain and he was afraid she might die. Naively, I questioned him about the pain, its origins, whereabouts and so forth. A voice broke in on the conversation -

"She's pregnant, Doctor. Having the baby right now, I shouldn't wonder."

This indeed was the case and then, and only then, the penny

dropped. So this was why they were marrying so young and this was why she had spent the whole of the reception sitting down clasping a whacking great bouquet in her lap. When I arrived some three or four hours later, it turned out that the telephone eavesdropper was dead right. The baby, a full-term bouncing boy, had arrived ahead of me. When I saw the relieved and somewhat tremulous patient, I discovered that the after-birth had not yet separated, although the child was some three hours old I tried all sorts of things, but the blessed thing would not shift. I remembered my old teacher, Greene-Armytage at Hammer-smith, telling us to avoid manual removal at all costs. This was in the days before antibiotics, and puer-peral sepsis was still a post-natal hazard. I also remember him implying that, skilfully applied, force was sometimes necessary. The upshot was that I climbed on the bed and forced the placenta out with the sole of my bare foot. Unorthodox, maybe, but I was mightily relieved at its arrival.

Mother and baby did well.

PRESS RELEASE

from

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Public Announcement Internet Tariffs

Cable & Wireless is pleased to announce the following tariffs for the Internet service to be launched later this year:-
Initial Registration Fee (once-off) £20.00
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The connection charge includes the current £0.05 per minute national call charge.

The above charges apply to a single PC connected to the network and includes one E-mail address. Additional E-mail addresses would attract a charge of £5.00 each.

Customers who wish to connect multiple PC's or LANs to the network should contact Cable & Wireless with their requirements.

An order form will be available as from 1st September 1997. It would be helpful to receive orders as soon as possible, to assist with final planning.

No payment will be required for orders placed at this stage.

Customers may require additional software and Cable & Wireless will endeavour to assist with the provision of this.

Any additional software costs will be for the customer to bear. Cable & Wireless plan to have suitable modems for sale, but customers may purchase their own if they wish. A V.34 modem is the requirement.

Further announcements regarding the launch date and any other relevant information will be communicated to customers in due course.

Emotive Argentine novel Echoes in the Mist comments on "unequal" war in Falklands

RETIRE Argentine Commodore, and Falklands' war veteran, Oscar Luis Aranda Duranona recently spoke in an interview with newspaper *Ambito Financiero* of his novel based on the 1982 conflict, *Ecos en la Niebla* (*Echoes in the Mist*). Aranda, says the article, as well as having held commanding posts during the war was in Stanley a month as a prisoner of the British troops. *Echoes in the mist* however, is described as 'neither an essay nor a testimony, but fiction, about the drama of the South Atlantic war.'

The novel, explained Aranda, is about two friends who are separated because of a personal problem and are reunited during the conflict; the first is reality and second, fantasy. The men, one of them the head of the Air Force in the Islands, and the other a pilot, experience their first reunion via radio-communications. The pilot later dies, and the remaining protagonist feels that his dead friend is looking for him. "that he is reaching him." The plot continues with the dead man speaking to others who have died in the con-

lict, including the Argentine pilot Jose Luis Ardiles, whose body was never found. Ardiles description of his single handed battle with two British aircraft illustrates the novel's theme of, "the unequal battle."

Aranda suggested that the unequalness he referred to was not only the technological gap between the Argentine equipment and the British, but also the difference in the use of it - "what we did have, we had no practise in using."

He also described how, when he was based at the Operations command centre in Comodoro Rivadavia, his superior went to the Islands to inspect the defences. On his return the Commander said, "This is a big mess, they don't know what to do..."

When asked in what way his book criticizes the conflict, Aranda replied, "having taken us to an unequal war, unnecessary, moved by interests which were not justified by war." Also, at one point in the story, Aranda's character cries, "who on earth would want to defend the Islands with aeroplanes based 800 kilometres away? A crazy man, a drunk..."



New at Reflections coming on the ARETI next week.

From *Mountain Equipment*: Leisure tops and Polar Tec jackets

From *Arena Swim Wear*: Ladies swimming costumes of various designs and sizes.

Also arriving will be loads of western shirts, boots, buckles, boot straps, bolo ties and ladies western boots.

More silk shirts, tops and night dresses.

Not forgetting the kids there will be a broad selection of toys.

And of course lots, lots more.

News from South America



Diana, Princess of Wales

The death of the Princess has been the main news in all Mercosur countries for the last few days, and a surprisingly large number of mourners have queued up in British Embassies to sign the Book of Condolence.

Chilean President visits Japan for political support and to boost trade

CHILEAN President Eduardo Frei, who has recently been in Japan for a five day official visit, advocated an end to the world's present "single" pole system, and invited Tokyo to join Latin America in the construction of a more open and balanced regional world order.

"The temptation of a single pole order does not correspond to the political and economic realities of the end of the century," stressed President Frei, who added that, "all global and regional actors must play their role and assume international responsibility."

Frei's message was interpreted as a strong criticism of Washington's leading role in world politics and increasing influence - interference - in Latin American trade and financial affairs.

"Japan has always been our friend," underlined Frei, who invited Japanese companies to keep investing in Chile, and remembered that Japan has become the country's largest trading partner.

Brazil purchase four British Type 22 Destroyers

THE Brazilian Navy confirmed the purchase of four British Type 22 destroyers, thus becoming, together with countries such as Australia, South Korea, Germany and the United States, one of Britain's most important arms and defence systems customers.

Sir Charles Masefield (British Defence Sales Executive) said that Britain will only export arms for legitimate defence and deterrence of aggression, based on article 51 of the United States Charter which guarantees the "right to self-defence."

During 1996, British arms exports reached 5.1 billion pounds, still behind the United States, the market leader. France and Russia, which has made a strong comeback.

British gift for Argentine Navy's training ship centenary celebration

BRITISH Ambassador David Marsden presented the commander of the Argentine Navy, Admiral Carlos Alberto Marron with a naval chronometer to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of the launching of the former training clipper *Presidente Sarmiento*, moored since 1964 as a museum in the Buenos Aires docks.

SA news provided by
Mercopress, Uruguay.

Public Notice

It is notified for general information that Government clocks will be advanced one hour to summer time at midnight Saturday 13 September 1997

Public Notice

Applications are invited to fill the vacancy of Plant Operator in the Property and Municipal Section of the Public Works Department commencing as soon as possible.

Applicants should hold an HGV licence and have experience of operating heavy plant. Duties of the post will include working at the Eliza Cove Tip.

Interested persons should contact the Works Manager, Mr Willie Bowles on telephone number 27193 for further details.

Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4 pm Friday 5th September 1997.

Public Notice

Applications are invited to fill a vacancy for a Customs and Immigration Officer in the Customs and Immigration Department.

Applicants must be physically fit as the job requires climbing ships' ladders often in adverse weather conditions. A current driving licence is essential as is the willingness to work unsocial hours. Keyboard skills and knowledge of another language would be an advantage.

Salary commences at £10,176 in Grade G and extends to £16,740 per annum at the top of Grade F.

For full details of the duties involved, please contact the Collector of Customs, Mr Robert King on telephone number 27341 during normal working hours. Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department, Secretariat, completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4.00 pm on Thursday 11th September 1997.

Diary of a farmer's cat by Baldrick Wilkinson

Definitely a furry little angel

THE Missus has been suffering from a wrist RSI (Really Stupid Injury). This has made her just about impossible to live with (as the Boss would no doubt testify if pressed) - 'cos the old bat isn't able to spin, knit or otherwise waste her time. To quote Daughter (at a safe distance at the time) - the poor cow can't even sit and twiddle her thumbs. Now, sympathy I have. But not an inexhaustible supply. In fact, if the situation lasts much longer this moggy is gonna pack his bags - well his FIC carrier bags - and find a happier place to live..

I thought this Diary was doomed indefinitely (I confess to needing some help with it on occasion.) But a bit of judicious blackmail got it sorted.

"Be a big (very big) brave girl." I told her.

"Grit your teeth, bite the bullet, and switch on the computer for me. Other wise I'll have no choice but to call the gang off mousing-patrol duties."

Worked a treat, as you can see. Though I do wish she'd stop sobbing...

Quite a bit has happened since my last Diary. Middle Son and his

bird were out for a visit (Now back in the Yoo Kay, I understand) - which cheered the Missus up no end. Then a minister and his missus came to stay, which was nice. I had a leisurely stroll with them, and we discussed a few things that interested me. The meaning of life, for instance (or nine lives in my case). And why you never hear of furry angels...

Left me feeling more peaceful, though unconvinced. Let's face it - there must be mice in heaven, 'cos the little beggars get everywhere, don't they. Prolific isn't the word. (I blame Noah: saving two was a mega mistake...)

- So it stands to reason that moggy angels are needed in heaven. Well, someone's gotta stop all those harps getting chewed, haven't they?

I rest my case...
Back to earth - reluctantly: The Boss and the Missus went on a beef hunt a few weeks ago, and came back with news. Seems they'd found a couple of hundred blackfish (pilot whales) stranded on a beach about four miles away. I thought briefly about walking out there for a good long nosh. A sort

of gargantuan sushi bar. I could camp out, sleep between binges, and maybe invite a few friends to share in the bonanza.

But then I noticed a greenish pallor to the Missus's face, and realised that the stranding had happened some time ago. The pong must be something horrendous by now, and the competition from scavenging birds would be a bit much for an earthbound moggy. I'd hate to end up as a stinker's takeaway. Even if I did become a furry angel in the process.

Talking of fur - but definitely not angels - there are now just three pups left. The rest have gone to new homes. The Missus makes such a fuss of the bloomin' things, too. It's totally unfair. When she takes 'em for walks I go too, just to keep an eye on everyone and make sure there aren't any sneaky snacks being dished out. The Missus carries a funny sort of folding seat with her, 'cos she can't walk too far without a break and the ground's a bit soggy for sitting on. This device comes in handy for me, too. It means I can jump up on her lap whenever she stops for a break, escaping from puppy paws and jaws. Provided I remember to furl my tail, that is...

Generally I try to steer clear of the pups, otherwise I end up at the centre of a scrum, which can be painful. I then have to teach the little blighters some respect for their elders and (definitely) betters. A good bite to the jugular worked well until yesterday, when I nearly broke a tooth on Kate. She's very furry, so I hadn't noticed she was wearing a collar...

The five of us usually take our exercise along the coast, where there's plenty to see. There are hundreds of logger ducks rafting about - there's heaps of 'em this year again - and all the other regulars. Sometimes there's a sealion or two, looking for a snack among the kelp. Now there's someone I wouldn't fancy being in a scrum with, mate. Gadzooks. It'd take

more than a determined moggy to sort those chaps out.

During these walks the Missus practises her whistling, which is enough to make more than a cat laugh, believe me. But the pups are an obliging lot on the whole, and pretend they hear her. Kate's a bit slower coming to call than her half-sisters Trim and Jess, due more to her portly build than to direct disobedience. Her legs are a bit shorter, too; occasionally she gets herself beached on a clump of diddledee, with all four legs flailing desperately in mid-air. A few wriggles and she's free again, galloping up to the Missus with eyes shining and tail wagging to show how clever she is. Why are puppies so darned nice when they're small? Yuck. Makes me want to vomit. In fact I don't really know why I still bother taking walks with the little creeps...

Talking of walks - you should have seen the Boss getting dogmeat in with Sam this week. The Boss trod on a nail the other day, so he's limping, and Sam has somehow hurt a paw. At least, he says he thinks he's hurt a paw. Knowing his sense of humour, he could just have been taking the mickey out of his lord and master. You should've seen the two old dears, hobbling back from the killing-house together. Put me in mind of two middle-aged shearers at the end of the last spell of the season. Except that both Sam and the Boss have rather more meat on their bones than the average end-of-season shearer...

Anyway, 'nuff from me. It's 'Walkies' time again, and I've got to kick-start the Missus or she'll stay slumped in that armchair indefinitely. The Boss is away for a few days and she needs winching out of the Slough of Despond.

Cheers, chays -
from your definitely furry and occasionally angelic friend -

Baldrick

Looking back on August

Births

August 5: Kerena Mary Ann Stewart to Robert William Stewart and Irene Anne Stewart

August 15: Kieran Angus Roberts to Elizabeth Ann Roberts

August 14: Zoe Leigh Taylor to Debbie Ann Hirtle and Graeme Alexander Taylor

Marriages

August 23: Howard Henry Duncan and Christina MacLean at Malvina House Hotel

August 2: Donnah Hutchinson and Paul Blake in Aberdeen

Deaths

August 1: Ernest Stanley Dixon died in hospital in North Shields after a long illness. (Son of Mary and Ernest Vine Dixon, and born in Stanley 5.8.25)

The FIC are shortly holding a stocktake in all retail departments and store closings are as follows:

The West Store Foodhall, Fleetwing & Gallery closing days are Tuesday 9th September, Wednesday 10th September and Thursday 11th September as are Pastimes, the Warehouse & Spares Section. Opening times for these outlets will be announced over the radio when the stocktake has been completed.

Homecare will also be closed on the 9th, 10th and 11th September. As Homecare will not be releasing stock during the closure customers orders and delivery requirements should be advised as soon as possible.

We very much regret any inconvenience caused to our customers during this period.

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Late letter

Whilst I was in UK having my broken ankle repaired, someone removed the 2 metre antenna from our land rover, just whilst my husband ate his lunch. What kind of persons steal from a 74 year old pensioner? Living on our O.A. Pension, we cannot afford to have a meal out, go dancing, go to a play, subscribe to KTV, buy newspapers, nor go to a pub. Our land rover is our one and only luxury, therefore, we appeal for the return of our antenna, please put it on the cabin doorstep near where our vehicle was, when you unscrewed the aerial, or please pay for it, through post box 19. Thank you, Clara McKay



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From Ellen Davis - Orders are now being taken for Christmas Cakes. On phone/fax 21791

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Customers are requested to make sure they bring cash with them when they visit the surgery. Camp customers are also encouraged to send cash/cheques where possible with orders for drugs, laboratory tests, account books etc., however, in instances where this is not possible the usual billing system will still be used.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Falkland Islands Defence Force will be exercising in the area to the West of Stanley, including the Two Sisters, over the period 6/7 September 1997. This exercise will involve the use of blank ammunition and pyrotechnics

FIG FISHERIES DEPARTMENT INFORMATION NOTICE

Application forms and information relating to the first fishing season of 1998 in Falklands Conservation Zones, are now available. Anyone seeking a copy should contact Miss Glynis King at the Fisheries Department on Telephone 27260

We are devastated by the tragic death of Princess Diana. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all concerned, especially to Prince William and Prince Harry.
Bill and Clara McKay

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PERSONAL

We would like to extend a special thank you to all our family and friends, the management and staff at Malvina House Hotel, JR for his first, Michelle for making the cake at such short notice, June for the lovely flowers and Norman and Nick for the Photos and video all of whom helped to make our wedding day so special. We would also like to thank everyone we met for their hospitality during our very special holiday. Howard and Chrissie Duncan

Nigel Knight and family would like to thank all those who sent cards during his recent sad loss. Thanks also to Grace for getting Keith fixed up with a flight at such short notice and FIGO for arranging his return flight. Much appreciated

A special thank you to Mandy for the safe arrival of Dean Angus, and many thanks to family and friends for the lovely cards and presents. Love from Janice

Congratulations, Janice on the birth of Dean Angus. He's lovely. Loads of love from Mum and all the family

To Mum and all the family. A million thanks for all your love and support from Janice

We would like to thank most of Stanley for a great but hectic winter especially Davis Close. But please change that Gate before next winter. Also many thanks to the Taxi Drivers, the Upland Goose for all the great meals and jokes. Last but certainly not least Lena and Les who made it all possible. Be warned, we will be back!
Cheers, Heather and Robin

From Cherry and Mike of C & M Travels. As from Monday 8th September 1997 we will be ceasing to run the bus service. Our account with Standard Chartered Bank will remain open until 30th November 1997 so that all outstanding accounts can be paid. Aaron Stewart will be starting a new business from 8th September 1997. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your valued support and custom over the past few years and hope you will support Aaron in the same way

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF BUSINESS

As from Monday 8th September 1997 the business known as C&M Travels will commence operation as Falkland Islands Tours and Travel under management of Mr Aaron Stewart. For bookings and enquiries please contact Aaron on tel/fax 21775

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Cherry and Mike for their excellent service provided over the past few years and wish them both the best of luck for the future.

Postscript from the Tabernacle

This week has been a very sad week for many people. It has come as a great shock to hear that the life of a beautiful, young woman has so tragically come to an end. Each person, even though few ever really knew her, felt that in some way their lives had been touched by her. She knew much sadness in her short life and as these times have been made so public, many can identify with her suffering. She has also reached out to others in their suffering and it is because of this that she won the hearts of so many. Jesus was a man of sorrow and knew what it was to suffer at the hands of others. We are told that his love for us is so great that he laid down his life for us, that those who believe in Him may have eternal life and that they will go to a place prepared for them with Him in heaven, where there will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things will have passed away.

I feel confident that where ever she is at this moment she would want each and every one of us to turn to Jesus, who not only gives 'the peace of God' but also 'peace with God'.

VACANCIES

Falklands Landholdings Limited Farm North Arm will have a vacancy at the end of September 1997 for an Agricultural worker cum Storekeeper. The job will require general experience in stock handling with a range of maintenance skills. To work three days a week in agricultural pursuits and have the ability to manage the store sales, ordering of stock, producing monthly records necessary in operating a retail outlet for two days of the week. For further details about the job, interested persons should contact the farm manager in Stanley or Mr Pat Morrison the farm foreman at North Arm

Stanley Bakery has a vacancy for a baker or bakery assistant. For further details contact Mick or Kevin at Stanley Bakery Tel 22692 Fax 22694, or Mick on Tel 22310 evenings

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New direction for Falklander

AFTER more than two years of continuous production, during which over five hundred sweaters were completed, the staff of the Falklander workshop in St Mary's Hall switched off their machines and lay down their scissors and needles for the last time at around 4pm on Friday, August 29.

But, though it's the end of the line as far as St Mary's is concerned, the Falklander, originally conceived out of the television programme *The Clothes Show* in February 1995, will continue to be manufactured under licence by two separate Falklands' knitwear companies. A and E Knitwear of Port Howard run by husband and wife team, Anne and Eddie Chandler; and KMR Knitwear, again a family run business under Pam and Nigel Summers. (continued on page 3)

Vigo '97

REPRESENTATIVES of Falkland Islands fishing companies and the Director of Fisheries, Mr John Barton, are to attend the world's largest fishery exhibition to take place between September 17 and 21 in Vigo, Spain, the leading fishing port in Europe.

Mr Barton told *Penguin News* that as the Islands had a long association with Spanish fishing companies, "who have greatly contributed to the Falklands economy, it is important to keep in touch with them." He added that it was also valuable for the Falklands to be represented in Vigo as it "helps put Falklands fishing companies on the world map."

Many of the Falklands company representatives will use the opportunity to meet up with their joint venture partners at The Vigo '97 exhibition which will host the best of the international world of fishery with the participation of 600 stands from 35 different countries world wide. The last staging of the show took place in 1991 with a record attendance of 693 companies from 30 different countries.

Oil rig found for Falklands waters

OIL licence operator in the Falklands, Amerada Hess, has signed a three year rig contract with Norwegian based Dolphin Drilling Limited for the *Borgny Dolphin* which will drill the first well in the Falklands in May 1998. The rig, an enhanced Aker H3 design, will go into a yard in Western Norway for the upgrades necessary to enable it to drill in water depths up to 500 metres, and for full recertification, in October this year.

Amerada Hess and three other operators in the Falkland Islands have signed the Falklands Offshore Sharing Agreement (FOSA) which sets out the principles of co-operation in the planning and operating of all drilling and associated activities. The other operators will be assigned the rig after Amerada Hess and its partners, Fina Exploration Atlantic BV, Murphy South Atlantic Oil Company, Teikoku Oil (FI) Co. Ltd and Argos Evergreen Ltd., have completed the first well.

Five wells are planned for the first phase of exploration, two to be drilled by Amerada Hess and one each by the other FOSA operators. The first phase of drilling will start in May 1998.

The rig is presently operating in the North Sea, and has eight columns on two pontoons and a main



A semi-submersible rig similar to *Dolphin Drilling's Borgny Dolphin*

deck of approximately 130ft long by 110ft wide with a total operating crew and support party of fifty men. Built twenty years ago it has an excellent safety record and has been constantly refurbished to keep up with the new drilling technology

which now is essentially electronic and computer monitored, as opposed to mechanical. The rig is expected to be towed to the Falklands, a journey which is calculated to take approximately ninety days.

Socio-economic study of the Falklands available to public

THE final report of the Socio-Economic Study of the Falkland Islands (by Coopers and Lybrand) became available to the public this week. The report which is divided into two main parts including *Current Situation and Future Prospects Without Oil*, and *Future Prospects and Policy Issues Arising From Oil Development*, concentrates in the former section on the current state of the economy, cross-sectoral public policy issues (size and role of government, immigration etc) constraints on economic growth, alternative non-oil scenarios for the Falklands economy, and possible govern-

ment policy responses.

The five non-oil scenarios range from retaining the 'Status Quo' (dependent on a stable economy) to moving in an entirely 'New Direction', (heavily dependent on deregulation and privatisation).

The latter part of the report examines oil development, the impact of oil on the Islands economy and possible government policy responses to oil devolvement including the controversial subject of policy options for managing surplus funds. In this section the authors examine the pros and cons of such options as zero income tax, royalties to Islanders and paying

for the defence of the Islands.

The report is on sale at the Secretariat - cost £5.

LegCo candidates

You are invited to submit a summary of your policies by September 22

SPACE and time constraints dictate that we must ask you to restrict the length of your summary to a maximum of 500 words. Summaries received will be published in *Penguin News* on September 26.

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WHILE the Coopers and Lybrand Socio-Economic study, as a whole, will make interesting reading for many Islanders this week, (the report can be purchased from the Secretariat) it will undoubtedly be the five non-oil scenarios included in Section V and possible government policy responses, which will receive the greater attention from members of the public, as opposed to the later section, optimistically entitled *Future Prospects and Policy Issues Arising from Oil Development*. In fact, local scepticism regarding a scenario which involves the presence of oil in economically viable amounts around the Falklands, was summed up earlier this week when an (ex) councillor suggested to *Penguin News* that there was probably little point in even reading the latter part of the report!

To continue this mood of pessimism for the moment, the five 'possible futures' - qualified not as predictions but as themes for debate only - suggested by the report in the event of no oil, make somewhat disconcerting reading (certainly for those as concerned for the social aspects of the Islands future as the economic) in that the reader is eventually left with the impression that 'what we want' is not entirely compatible with 'what is on offer'.

In social terms, many Islanders would consider 'what we want', to be a future which includes, a good standard of living, controlled immigration, re-population of the camp, low environmental impact and stable employment, to name but a few attractive factors. In economic terms, however, such society *goodies*, (indicates the report) must go hand in hand with broadly stable wool prices and fish licence revenue. Nothing we didn't already know of course, and there is little doubt the status quo could comfortably continue *ad infinitum*. What the report emphasises however, is that to depend entirely on its perpetuation could be a recipe for disaster: *If by contrast, fishing licence revenues decline gradually over the next ten years to only around half their current level in real terms by 2005/6 then, even maintaining public investment at 1995/96 levels will ultimately prove unsustainable without higher taxes or cuts in other government spending*, the result being an explosion of public debt, lower economic growth and lower employment.

An alternative then? Coopers and Lybrand suggest such options as *Diversification* (in agriculture, 'niche' manufacturing and private sector services, but with sheep farming and fisheries still remaining important) and far more radically, *New Directions*, (might involve development of a primarily service-led economy with a very much reduced role for agriculture and fisheries, and a smaller public sector). Both of these options, which give at least the appearance of being favoured by the authors of the report, are however, not only *not* guaranteed to be successful, but undesirable - it could be argued - in terms of social impact in that they require accelerated immigration (Islanders prefer 'a natural trickle'), and will have a moderate to high impact on the environment.

Such details are, however, only a minute part of a very comprehensive report which one hopes will be read and debated by a wide cross section of Island residents, and not only those who already have commercial interests in Islands (Stanley based in particular) ventures, and whose attitude to various aspects of the report will be coloured accordingly.

Reasons to be careful when voting in October.

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Your letters

Argos - a Falkland Islands registered company

The following letter is in response to an article in last week's *Penguin News*, entitled, *Argos Trawler South Bound to South Georgia*. FOR the avoidance of confusion in some minds I would like to clarify the status of Argos Ltd. Argos Ltd is a Falkland Island Registered Company, wholly owned by seven British Citizens.

four of whom are resident in the Falkland Islands. Of the five Directors three are Falkland Islands residents. Robin Pitaluga is the Chairman of the Company and the writer is the General Manager and a Director of the Company.

L J Butler
Director/General Manager

Get your facts right!

WHEN you print your news, shouldn't you at least get the facts right. In last week's *Penguin News* you stated that Diana, Princess of Wales died on the 30th August. She actually died on the 31st August.

Also isn't it a pity more people from the Town did not attend the Memorial Service, as the film coverage shows empty seats!

All Government workers were given the time off with pay, so they could attend. I know the old and infirm can be excused, and also the Camp people, but surely more of the Town and indeed our prominent citizens could have attended. Also I think more protocol could be observed at services in the Cathedral: we were asked to be understanding when the Governor en-

tered the Cathedral, but half were left sitting and half standing when the Governor left the Cathedral.

Also if it is to be an interdenominational type of service then surely the service should be split accordingly and not just three small prayers being given to each of the other clergymen.

The Princess of Wales was supposed to have been the Princess of Peoples hearts, but judging by the attendance in the Cathedral it would not seem so here in the Falklands.

KMPJ Ormand
Stanley

(We apologise for any distress caused by our unfortunate error regarding the date of the death of Diana, Princess of Wales - Ed)

Trainee Pilot Falkland Islands Government Air Service

The Falkland Islands Government Air Service is seeking applications for the position of Trainee Pilot

The successful applicant must have a genuine interest in pursuing a career in aviation and have the ability to complete the extensive training required to qualify and obtain a Commercial Pilot's Licence.

Persons applying for this position must be at least 19 years of age and hold a minimum of five GCSE or equivalent passes at Grade C or above. Passes must include Mathematics, English and a Science based subject.

The successful applicant will be required to pass a very thorough medical examination to the UK Class 1 standard or ICAO equivalent before commencing training.

Training will be fully funded by the Falkland Islands Government and will be provided at an approved establishment in the UK. Whilst undergoing training the Trainee Pilot will be paid a training grant.

For more information about this position, the training involved and future career prospects, please contact the General Manager, FIGAS on telephone number 27220 during normal working hours.

Application forms are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4pm on Wednesday 1st October 1997.

Public Notice

Applications are invited to fill a vacancy for an Engineman in the Power and Electrical Section of the Public Works Department to commence as soon as possible.

Applicants should be physically fit and willing to work night shifts on a rota system. Some mechanical knowledge and an interest in the operation of machinery would be an advantage.

Further details of the duties involved can be obtained from the Power Station on telephone number 27149 during normal working hours.

Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4 pm on Tuesday 16th September 1997.

Write to Penguin News, Ross Road,
Stanley, Falkland Islands

Vernet's daughter first Malvina

I FOUND very interesting Joan Spruce's analysis of the origin of the first name 'Malvina' published in the *Penguin News* edition of August 22. In response to her question, it seems to me that the first Malvina born in the Islands was Malvina Vernet, born at Port Louis on February 5, 1830. Her mother was Mrs Maria Saez de Vernet, wife of the well known Louis Vernet. Mrs Vernet wrote a diary from her arrival at Port Louis until December 22, 1829. I found an edition of it at the British Library. There is another one, bilingual, edited by Malvina Vernet's grandson, Mr Ernesto Greenleaf Cilley Hernandez, in 1989, providing information about the family, including a genealogical tree.

Malvina Vernet was married to Mr Greenleaf Cilley, an American citizen, and lived in New York for many years. Some of her descendants are also named Malvina.

Does the discussion over the first name, Malvina, have politi-

cal considerations? I do not think so. Indeed, I believe that the discussion whether the Islands are called the Falklands or the Malvinas has no sense either. For the Islands' English name is Falkland, the Spanish 'Malvinas' and the French 'Malouines', irrespective of the sovereign.

For instance, if one compares English and French maps, the (British) Scilly Islands are called 'Iles Sorlingues' in French, and the French 'Ile d'Ouessant' is known as Ushant in English. Not to speak of the Channel Islands, called 'Iles Normandes' in French. This has nothing to do with the question of who owns the Islands. The same can be said for the English Channel itself, called 'La Manche' in French and 'La Mancha' in Spanish. Examples of different geographic names are numerous all over the world.

Dr M G Kohen
charge de cours Professor
University of Geneva

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Ian Dempster, Assistant Manager of the Falkland Islands Development Corporation, told *Penguin News* this week there are two main reasons for what he called 'this change of direction.'

The first is simple economics - income from the sale of sweaters has failed to cover overheads, and second, it has proved impossible to find an experienced manager to take over from Margaret Humphries, who left the unit, ironically, to take up a position with the FIDC.

"The Falklander needs," he said, "to move onto the next stage in its development, which means external sales are now necessary - probably to the UK market though not exclusively so."

He confirmed that A & E Knitwear already has a link with an overseas company that has the appropriate marketing expertise and that FIDC are currently talking to another company which could be of benefit to KMR Knitwear.

Both companies, he said, will concentrate on producing the Keppel Falklander (the least expensive and biggest seller of the range) but will also continue to produce their own established product lines. Local retailer, Reflections, will be handling sales for both companies, and is currently undergoing some internal modifications to accommodate a dedicated sales area specifically for the Falklander.

Ian sees this new move in the



Assistant Manager of FIDC, Ian Dempster, believes the Falklander can become a successful export product under the new licence arrangement with two local companies

Falklander saga, with export sales a distinct possibility, as, "another building block in promoting the Islands."

"We have achieved a generic sweater design that will stay with us for generations," he said, "and we have proved we can produce high quality garments in the Islands."

A by-product of the Falklander's commercial activity is a message that Ian was keen to get over to all businesses in the Islands. "The introduction of a Visa card facility," he said, "made a startling difference to sales." In February,

A date for your diary:

Falklands Conservation Beachwatch (clean up)
September 20, 10am at Whalebone Cove (Behind
the Lady Elizabeth)

THERE is a golden opportunity for you to combine your competitive instincts with your conservationist's conscience in this year's Falklands Conservation annual Beachwatch Clean Up, which will be held at Whalebone Cove on Saturday, September 20.

Spot prizes will be awarded for such uncommon achievements as discovering the the biggest or most unusual piece of rubbish, and even the most enthusiastic collector at the event will not walk away empty handed.

To make things even more attractive to those who are more usually 'armchair' conservationists, there will be a barbecue, manned by the Stanley scout group, offering free food courtesy of local businesses, and the Military are chipping in with hot soup and drinks - again all free to rubbish collectors.

But with all the light-hearted party atmosphere the organisers are hoping to generate there are more serious aspects to the Beachwatch movement. The primary aim is, of course, to make the world's beaches cleaner and safer for wildlife, but, as Becky Ingham

of Falklands Conservation points out, "data collected from these clean-ups goes a long way towards identifying the sources of marine debris, and is the first step in tackling the heart of the problem."

In addition to the Whalebone Cove operation Jeremy Smith will be leading a second team to Kidney Island (thanks to Polar Limited who are supplying the launch) where they will clear part of the shoreline.

Kidney will also be targeted for Underwater Clean Up, in which Jeremy, assisted by South Atlantic Marine Services, will attempt to clear some of the submerged debris that could eventually otherwise be deposited on the beach. Again, rubbish found will eventually be analysed to ascertain the source.

Just how serious the problem of marine debris is emphasised by some of the alarming statistics published by the Marine Conservation Society. According to them an estimated one million seabirds and 100,000 marine mammals and turtles die each year from entanglement in, or ingestion of, plastics.

Shipwrecked Schinas set sail again

JILL and Nick Schinas, the couple many Islanders will remember as being lucky to be alive after their yacht, *Maamari*, capsized near the Falklands last year, are back at sea according to a report in Britain's *Daily Mail* this week.

The couple, now with a second daughter, two week old Roxanne, as well as Matthew, 5, and Xoe, 4, sailed from Chichester in the 42 ft *Maamari*, insisting they had nothing to fear from the sea. "We have had one bad experience, but having one car crash doesn't necessarily stop you driving." 41 year old Nick is reported as saying, "I am confident a two week old baby is safer at sea than on dry land - I'd be more worried living in London."

According to the article the couple spent £8,000 towing the boat back to Chichester where the two wrecked masts were replaced and new rigging installed.

"I suppose most people will think us mad after what happened to us," Jill (37) told reporters, "but this is the only life we know and every day is a real life geography lesson for the children."

The couple plan to head for the sun, and may also venture into the South Atlantic - "but it won't be just yet," added Nick wryly.

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A date for your diary: Local artist, Mike Peake, will be exhibiting a series of paintings at the Pink Shop on Saturday, September 13, beginning at 10am.

"I paint what I see"

"If my paintings have a message it's nothing more than a request that people take a moment to observe just how beautiful the Falklands really are." This was how local painter, Mike Peake, described his work recently, following a sneak preview by *Penguin News* of his latest series of paintings.

Colour, space and attention to detail are all key elements in Mike's work. He makes no attempt to enhance his subject, but simply reflect it truthfully: "I don't need to improve on what we have in the Falklands," he says happily.

Mike Peake came to the Islands over thirty years ago and is now the Falkland Islands Government's Computer Co-ordinator. Painting, he says, is really just a hobby. He paints for pleasure, and generally avoids commissions, due to the fear that "pressure to please individuals" will affect his work to its detriment. Sale of work appears to be little more than an after thought, stimulated perhaps by the hope that his reflections will remind both locals and visitors of the beauty that surrounds them. He wishes to overcome both preconceptions and the blinkering effect of over-familiarity.

Some Islanders may already own a 'Peake', his last exhibition, two years ago, sold out almost immediately. For those who have not experienced his work however, much of it is characterised by his fascination for space and light. Arguably, his most commented on works have been those which have skillfully captured the almost agoraphobic inducing quality of such infinitely spacious East Falklands areas as Lafonia.

Colour is also of great importance: "The casual observer of these Islands," says Mike, "will not

Below: Stanley sea front (painting owned by P. Gilding)



Above: Mike captures the infinite space of the Falkland Islands
Below: Oil Painting of The Sound House



Above left: Local artist, Mike Peake



Exhibition at the Pink Shop,
Saturday, September 13, 10.00am.

often look beyond the white grass and grey blue skies," missing the myriad other colours which make up the sea and land. Mike aims to change that.

He inherited his skill from his father, Arthur Peake, a Yorkshire coalminer who in later life left the mines and became involved firstly in sign writing and house decorating, and then moved on to creating murals in the houses of the British aristocracy.

Mike came to the Islands at the age of nineteen, in 1959, arriving on the *Darwin*. His artist's eye was not, however, as practised as it is now. "I thought Mount William was a peatstack," he commented wryly. Since then, he has painted almost 600 works, many of which still remain in the Islands, but many others (including a painting of the *SS Great Britain* she lay in Falklands waters) which have long

since been carried to countless other countries around the globe.

While Mike's subjects are varied, he counts the cliffs and rocky outcrops around the Islands as among his favourites. He is a conservationist at heart and has a growing interest in capturing details of the Falklands' past, particularly old houses and such surrounding detail as palinques and hitching rails for horses. "I really want to paint Gunhill Shanty at Little Chartres."

Peter Gilding of Port Louis, who has long been a supporter of Mike's work has invited him to capture parts of that historical settlement on canvas.

To describe in words his work, however, is not to do it justice. Instead we recommend that you take the chance to observe this weekend the work of a man who 'paints what he sees'.

Listening Watch is explosive success



Above: The Command Post. Two camouflaged 'rovers' manned by John Horne-MacDonald, Katrina Stephenson, Brian Summers and David Green. The tiny tent that sheltered me as I slurped the life saving tea can be seen close to the rocks.

Below: The eyes have it! John Henry the morning after the first night he had ever slept outdoors. He was particularly ferocious when attacking the OPs.

Bottom: The enemy patrol after successfully routing the second observation post. L to r: Gerard 'Jed' Ford, Captain Peter Biggs, Corporal David Peck, Major Marvin Clarke and John 'Wayne' Henry



IT IS widely known that the defence systems of the Falkland Islands are in the capable hands of the full time professionals of the British Forces at Mount Pleasant and various mountain bases around the Islands. Less well known is the integral role in those systems played by the part-time volunteers of the Falkland Islands Defence Force. They are better equipped, better armed and better trained than ever before, their members devoting evenings and weekends to developing their military skills. Saturday, September 6, saw twenty four members of the Force heading into the hills West of Stanley with the objective of practicing setting up and operating all important observation posts (OPs) with particular emphasis on radio communications using pre-set codes. The name of the exercise was "Listening Watch", and early in the morning of the second day Penguin News' Tony Burnett 'joined the 'enemy' patrol to see just how it all works.

SIX fifteen am on a raw Sunday morning in September and I'm bouncing westward along the old Two Sisters track in my ageing 110 which is uncomplaining but deserves better than the treatment it's getting right now.

Behind me Stanley sleeps on in a reluctant dawn. Ahead the pool-pitted track rises towards the unwelcoming peaks that are my destination. When the light is strong enough I stop to get a long shot of the far off town, but find it almost impossible as the strong southwesterly buffets the rover.

I give up and jounce on, trying, simultaneously, to watch the track and scan the approaching slopes for signs of the life I am supposed to be meeting. I see nothing, though I know there must be several vehicles up there somewhere, and briefly I wonder if the whole thing has been called off and I am the only one who doesn't know.

As I arrive at Two Sisters Gate a tall figure in camouflaged battle fatigues emerges from the landscape and becomes WO1 Andy Brownlee, the man who has designed and written the exercise I am about to see, and is now the observer. I abandon the rover and we trudge up the shoulder of the mountain, apparently heading nowhere, while Andy explains the situation.

Unconfirmed reports of enemy sightings in the Two Sisters area, received the previous day, have prompted immediate deployment of the Falkland Islands Defence Force. Three observation posts (OP's) have been in position on the barren flanks of the Two Sisters since late Saturday afternoon, while a command post (CP) has been established among the rocks further East.

The OP's have been given a watching brief, observe and report enemy movements but do not engage unless emergency withdrawal action is necessary.

All through the icy night the 'enemy' (Major Marvin Clarke, Captain Peter Biggs, Corporal David Peck, and Privates Gerard Ford and John Henry) have been actively searching the hills for signs of the OP's, with some success. Two of them revealed their approximate positions by using veiled lights - second generation night sights, Andy told me, are so good a match striking a kilometre away looks like a fireball.

The third OP had succumbed to an old trick. Believing they had a rough 'fix' on the OP the 'enemy' had mounted a dummy assault. Though they had been marginally wrong about the OP's position they had been close enough to startle the four occupants into returning fire and

withdrawing to a pre-determined secondary position. Fortunately, the withdrawal, under the leadership of Lance Corporal Willie Goss, had been so slick the four escaped without casualties and without betraying the precise position of the OP.

That had been earlier in the night when temperatures had fallen to minus three or four, frost had crisped the grass underfoot, and ice had been thick on the stagnant pools. Around 3 am the still of the freezing night had given way to a wind that had quickly escalated to thirty or forty knots, gusting up to fifty or sixty.

Andy and I arrive at the enemy camp where they are preparing to move out and attempt to find and destroy the three OP's. The rigours of the night show in the faces of the men: John Henry leans momentarily against a landrover, his eyes, close and he appears to be instantly asleep for a second or two. David Peck kneels as he loads magazines with blank rounds, his lugubrious humour still a defence against the cold, which he is feeling most as he is just two days back from several months in the Northern summer.

A last look round the camp and Marvin gives the order to move off. We climb, heading for the rim of the ridge that has been providing a degree of protection from the elements. Just how much becomes breathtakingly obvious as we top the ridge. The wind is a giant hammer trying to knock us back the way we came. It eases slightly as we drop down and troop towards the West.

The men move into arrow formation with the tip aimed at a rock formation about a kilometre ahead. Andy and I follow closely. The first OP (the one that routed by the dummy attack during the night) is, Andy says, to the right and below the rocks. I can see no signs of it - and neither can the men.

Tension mounts as we move on. Andy confirms to me that the OP has done its job in reporting the enemy's advance across the ground towards them. We are climbing again. The men know they are in danger of passing the OP without spotting it - a disaster after flushing it out last night. Andy tells me the right flank of the arrow formation is five metres from the OP and two men have already passed it. Still it is invisible to me.

Suddenly there is a pale flash of something against the drab green of the ground ahead. For a moment it seems only Andy and I have seen it, but then the tail end Charlie stops, shouts, points. He fires, the men in the OP fire back. The enemy patrol are too close for them to withdraw and swoop in pouring (blank) bullets into the tiny space that is the now

totally exposed OP.

It's over in seconds, the OP is destroyed and the enemy pause to reload magazines before pushing on to where they believe the next OP waits.

Andy stops to hold a short debrief with the defeated OP men. The pale flash that had given them away was the gleam of light on a face as one of the men had popped up to take a look at what was going on outside. A very real shame as otherwise the site had been selected with great skill and cunning, and camouflaged likewise. Without that giveaway indiscipline they might have remained undetected - and alive.

But there is no time for a proper post-mortem. Two OPs are still operational and need to be neutralised by Marvin's men.

As we cross another ridge I pause to reload my camera and discover my fingers are so cold they resemble frozen sausages. I fumble for five minutes and bless progress as, once the reel is in place, the film winds automatically to the first frame. I run to catch up with the enemy patrol, now moving rapidly towards yet another ridge. The second OP is secreted further along this same ridge, and is one that revealed its position by injudicious use of light during the night.

The site chosen, Andy tells me, is not ideal. They are in a fissure half way up the rock face - the sort of position experienced searchers will examine first. It does have some advantages in that there is a steep climb up to it, and the third OP has a field of vision covering its back door thus preventing a surprise attack from that quarter.

But its occupants have had an uncomfortable night. The fissure has been a wind tunnel and they have suffered. The camouflage carefully applied in the relative calm of the previous afternoon is now flapping wildly and even I have spotted it from a long way off.

The assault is clinically effective. From my own observation I doubt Marvin's enemy patrol would have escaped without some casualties, and certainly some of the occupants of the OP managed a mini-withdrawal into the rocks above and behind, but superior and more mobile firepower quickly subdued them.

Victorious, miraculously unscathed, and by now much warmer, Marvin gathers his men at the base of the feature and they prepare to advance on the third and final OP. This is some distance away under the rocky peak of the second Two Sisters mountain. Again the enemy have some idea of the OP's location because of 'light' indiscipline during the night.

Andy's initial confidence that

Marvin, Peter and their men will have little problem in locating this OP fades a little as their route takes them far to the right and past its position. By the time they have swung left to follow the contour of the escarpment Andy is wondering if they are too far above the OP to see it.

But then, with bewildering speed, the patrol is charging downhill, laying down a frightening blanket of fire as they take the OP against some spirited resistance from Corporal Paul Watson and his men. One of the 'men' turns out to be Miranda Cheek, one of this year's recruits who has quickly earned the sobriquet 'Combat Spice'. Her exploits as radio operator on this exercise have prompted the second, slightly bawdier label of '0898', both of which she tolerates with affable ease.

As Andy and I leave the third OP to go back to the CP (command post, remember?) what looks like a harmless mist creeps in a pincer movement round the mountain on each side of us. In seconds we are engulfed in blizzard conditions. With several kilometres to go I am hatless, gloveless, joyless, and I have also discovered, to my great glee, that the verbal notes I have been making on my tiny cassette recorder are virtually inaudible thanks to the ululating threnody of the wind against which my voice has been unsuccessfully competing.

In the gloom of the CP tent, hands cupped round the most delicious mug of brew ever to come my way, Andy briefs me on the final phase of the exercise. The personnel from the three OPs will now rendezvous at the CP. They will be told they are to act on new information and march, in battle order round the mountain, to attack an unsuspecting enemy.

Only the enemy is not only not unsuspecting, they have foreknowledge of the route the attacking force will take and are already in position to stage an ambush from an elevated position.

It seems to me to be a diabolical, bushwhacking trick to play on a weary group who have spent a bitterly cold night out with little shelter and then had their butts kicked by an apparently immortal enemy, but Andy is unrepentant. "We want to see how they react to surprise circumstances."

It is 90 minutes later. The troops have all assembled and we're making our way along the Southern face of the mountain in Indian file. There is no talking and as the wind has died away a slightly eerie silence has descended. Andy is leading the force to ensure we take the right route. In the belief the initiative belongs to them in this phase the group seem



comfortable. The snow flurries have ceased and the sun is warming away the memory of the cold night.

The boom of an exploding thunderflash is a sudden affront to the senses and freezes the force for a second. Then the hillside above us erupts in gunfire and every soldier dives for cover, shucks off his/her Bergen and fire back at the well entrenched enemy. They're shocked but recover quickly. While the centre of the column continues to draw and return fire the flankmen advance up the incline in a series of darting runs. Smoke grenades add to the confusion. People are shouting, swearing, sweating.

The enemy are over-run and casualties counted. One seriously wounded, one walking. All three of the enemy are dead. No-one seems to notice there were five of them earlier. As they consolidate their position a machine gun suddenly rains bullets on them. Though they have been slow to count the enemy dead,

Top: The enemy patrol planning the assault on the third observation post. Peter Biggs keeps his head down while Marvin gets a fix with binoculars and Gerard Ford points the way to David Peck. Right: Jeremy 'Spurs' Henry complete with Bergen on guard at the Command Post prior to being 'ambushed' by a treacherous enemy. Below: Let battle commence! Survivors of the ambush pelt uphill towards the enemy positions.



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September 13 - September 19

CHURCHSERVICES

CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY: 8am Holy Communion, 10am Family Communion (first Sunday every month - Family Service) 7pm Evening Prayer

TABERNACLE - free church

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm.
ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm Minister Mike Mitchelmore 21787

St. MARY'S

SUNDAY: 10am (MPA 6.45pm). Week days, 9am

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

TEL: 74350-SUNDAY 8am Holy Communion; 10.30am Eucharist/Morning worship; 6.45pm Holy Mass MONDAY: 6.30am Mass WED 7.30pm Holy communion; 8pm Bible Study

BAHA'IFAITH

For information on meetings please ring Tel: 21957 (evenings)

TIDES AROUND THE ISLANDS

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		2147	0.3		0058	0.2
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Roy Cove +4 hrs 30m				Sunset	1837	
Port Howard +3hrs 19m						
Teal Inlet +3hrs 30m						
Sea Lion Is. +1hr 15m						
Port Stephens +3hrs 15m	15	0524	1.4	18		
Hill Cove +4hrs	MON	1054	0.5		0720	1.7
Berkeley Sound +1hr 11m		1714	1.7		1311	0.2
Port San Carlos + 2hr 55m		2332	0.2		1940	1.9
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	Sunset	1838		Sunset	1843	
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	Sunset	1735				

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Monday/Thursday

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Wednesday

1.30 - 3.30pm

Tuesday/Friday

3.00pm - 5.00pm

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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 Liz Burnett, Tel: 21770 or Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

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Contact Dik Sawle Tel 21414

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welcome Contact Ped Tel: 21663

or Graham Didlick 21622 P.O. Box 540

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21606 or Rowena Summers 21015

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NESS TRUST Contact Shiralee Collins, 21597. Sister Bridie 22086. Derek Howatt 21385

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STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB Contact D. Humphreys Tel. 22028

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Fridays 4-5

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB Contact David McLeod Phone: 20836 (day), 20843 (home)

RUNNING CLUB Meets Wednesday 5.30pm. contact Tracy Porter 21574

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION Meets 1st Monday every month @ 2000 hrs. WO1&Sgt Mess. Hillside Camp. All ex or serving Service persons welcome. Contact A Geach, R Fiddes or KD Greenland for info 21454 or 27222.

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JELLY TOTS CLUB meets Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays at the Day Centre from 2.30 - 4pm. All welcome

WELL BABY/CHILD CLINIC Day Centre KEMH Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am. Contact Miranda Cheek Health Visitor 27418

Leisure Centre Holiday Times - Further Information/Bookings: tel 27291

Day	Pool	Courts
Monday	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
	2.00-4.00	Public
	5.00-7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
Tuesday	10.00 - 12.00	Public
	12.00-1.00	Lanes
	2.00-4.00	Public
	5.00-7.00	Public
Wednesday	7.00-8.00	Ladies
	12.00-1.00	Lanes
	2.00-4.00	Public
	5.00-7.00	Public
Thursday	7.00-8.00	Adults
	10.30-12.00	Public
	12.00-9.00	Public
	7.00-9.00	Private Hire
Friday	10.00 - 11.30	Parents/Toddlers
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
	2.00-4.00	Public
	5.00-7.00	Public
Saturday	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	10.00 - 4.00	Public
	4.00-5.00	Adults
	10.00 - 4.00	Public
Sunday	10.00 - 4.00	Public
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults

Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER

10.15 PLASMO
 10.20 MOONEY AND MAGEE
 10.30 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE (New)
 10.55 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 11.20 DAFFY DUCK
 11.25 ELIDOR
 10.50 RUN THE RISK (New)
 12.15 THE O-ZONE
 12.35 FRAGILE KINGDOMS The Sassi of Matera on the heel of Italy is one of the oldest human settlements in Europe
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Men's international hockey from Milton Keynes where England face Australia in their second and final Test Match
 6.30 TOP OF THE POPS
 7.00 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN Can Superman thwart the plans of a madman intent on activating a weapons system?
 7.40 CONFESSIONS (New)
 8.20 ONLY FOOLS AND HORSES
 9.10 NOSTROMO
 10.35 INSIDE STORY The Cult: This programme investigates the Heaven's Gate cult. 37 members of which committed ritual suicide in San Diego in March of this year
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY Highlights from two recent FA Carling Premiership matches, presented by Desmond Lynam

SUNDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

10.50 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.05 CARTOON TIME
 11.20 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.45 ON YOUR MARKS Presented by Kriss Akabusi
 12.05 BIG BREAK STARS OF THE FUTURE
 12.35 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.10 HOT GADGETS (New)
 1.40 THE CHART SHOW
 2.20 BROOKSIDE Leanne turns to Jacqui for help, but this time Jacqui is the one in control
 3.30 THE VOYAGE OF THE MATTHEW
 4.00 THE GREAT ANTIQUES HUNT from Blackpool
 4.45 THE O-ZONE SPECIAL Jamie Theakston interviews girl group the Spice Girls
 5.15 WILDLIFE ON ONE The Zebra
 5.45 THE BEST OF LES DAWSON
 6.15 THE DEEP (New)
 7.05 LAST OF THE SUMMER WINE After getting a life on an old motorbike, Compo recalls someone else who enjoyed a country ride.
 7.35 SURPRISE. SURPRISE
 8.30 DALZIEL AND PASCOE Dalziel and Pascoe are called in to investigate Dick Elwood's suspicions that Patrick Alderman, with whom he works, is trying to kill him
 10.05 FRIENDS: US comedy series.
 10.30 500 BUS STOPS
 11.00 CRIMELINE
 11.10 NETWORK FIRST The Boy Business: Documentary confronting the men who trade in child pornography
 12.00 TARRANT'S 10 YEARS ON TV

MONDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Tim takes a short cut to exam success
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 GARDEN PARTY
 3.20 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
 3.30 MORPH TV WITH TONY HART
 3.50 CARTOON CRITTERS (New)
 4.15 WOOF!
 4.40 ACTIV-8
 5.05 HOME AND AWAY Father Little is growing more convinced his duty is to reveal Annie's confession to Irene
 5.25 NOEL'S GOTCHA HALL OF FAME
 5.55 MASTERMIND
 6.25 CORONATION STREET As Zoe's baby arrives, Judy's problems mount
 7.15 THE BILL Old Fools: Greig enlists the help of two pensioners to trap a team of burglars
 8.40 MR BEAN GOES TO TOWN
 8.05 AIRPORT
 8.35 MCCALLUM (New) Drama series about a police pathologist, starting with a two-part story. Dr Jain McCallum takes on the seemingly open-and-shut case of a baker's accidental death
 9.30 DIANA: THE PEOPLE'S PRINCESS
 10.25 FOOTBALL LEAGUE REVIEW

TUESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS It's hearts and flowers all the way for Ruth and Philip
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 THE PRACTICE Life in a busy doctor's surgery
 3.20 CHANGING ROOMS
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: TICKETY BOO
 4.00 ZOT THE DOG
 4.10 TO ME TO YOU
 4.35 THE THUNDERLIZARDS
 4.50 GET WET
 5.15 SNAP!
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Shannon realises why Lachie is so nervous about meeting her family
 6.00 BRUCE FORSYTH'S PLAY YOUR CARDS RIGHT
 6.30 EMMERDALE Mandy gives Lisa some beauty treatment
 6.55 SCENE HERE Presented by Richard Asbury
 7.25 EASTENDERS Grant, Tiffany, Kathy, Phil, Ricky and Bianca say au revoir to Albert Square and head for a holiday in Paris
 7.55 999 (New)
 8.45 SOME MOTHERS DO 'AVE 'EM
 9.20 PRESTON FRONT (New) Convinced he's going to lose his daughter to another man, Hodge plans to win her back
 10.00 DAVID DIMBLEBY'S INDIA
 10.50 CLASSIC ALBUMS (New) Tonight, Jimi Hendrix's double LP Electric Ladyland
 11.50 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Anne decides that she's had enough of boys, and Tim finds a friend in Susan
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 HOME GROUND
 3.25 WHEEL OF FORTUNE
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: OZZIE THE OWL
 4.00 DR XARGLE
 4.25 CAPTAIN STAR
 4.50 RECORD BREAKERS
 5.20 ROUND THE TWIST
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Fisher finally accepts the publishing offer
 6.00 YOU'VE BEEN FRAMED
 6.30 EMMERDALE Lisa finds the affection she needs in someone else's arms
 6.55 CORONATION STREET The new barmaid at the Rovers causes quite a stir
 7.45 THE BILL Auld Lang Syne: A man found nursing a broken ankle claims he was taking a short-cut over a fence. Rawton doesn't believe him, but can she prove it?
 8.10 CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
 8.40 FRIENDS
 9.05 AIN'T MISBEHAVIN' (New) Comedy drama series set in World War Two Britain, starring Robson Green and Jerome Flynn
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 FILM: POSSE (1993, 15) Western starring Mario Van Peebles and Stephen Baldwin. During the Spanish-American war, a group made up of almost entirely black soldiers but under the leadership of a sadistic white colonel are sent on a mission to capture a supply column

THURSDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Lisa loses control of her class
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 THE CALL OF THE SEA Today, a look at the secret history of mutiny in the Royal Navy
 3.35 GLORIA'S TIME OFF WITH...Jim Davidson
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 4.00 ROSIE AND JIM
 4.15 THE TREAACLE PEOPLE
 4.25 RECORD BREAKERS
 4.50 THE BIG BANG
 5.10 RETURN TO JUPITER
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Fisher cuts his ties with "The Bitter End" forever
 5.55 MASTERCHEF
 6.30 EMMERDALE Turner plays 'Easy Rider' with Jo
 6.55 ODDBALLS Eamonn Holmes introduces another collection of sporting mishaps
 7.25 EASTENDERS Kathy tries to pick up the pieces and get on with her life
 7.50 3D Today, a report on organ transplants between animals and a look at the ethical and moral questions this gives rise to
 8.15 FILM: ACCIDENTAL HERO (1992, 15) Comedy drama starring Dustin Hoffman, Geena Davis and Andy Garcia. Small-time criminal

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

Bernie Laplante is going to meet his son when an aeroplane crashes into the path of his car. He rescues several passengers, including a television reporter, but Bernie disappears before he can be hailed as a hero
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 THIS LIFE Egg's younger brother comes to stay and finds a friend in Anna. Milly's behaviour nearly gives her game away; and Kira tells Jo where to go
 11.10 HORIZON Fat Cats, Thin Mice: With one in six Britons now clinically obese, Horizon reports on the latest products designed to aid weight loss and discovers that quick-fix solutions are now always free from risk
 12.05 EUROTRASH Antoine de Caunes presents more saucy features on alternate European culture

FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Debbie and Ruth call a truce, and Lou's latest deal goes sour
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 COMEDY CLASSIC: YES, PRIME MINISTER The new Health Minister persuades Jim Hacker that it would be a good idea to abolish smoking
 3.25 PULLING POWER Sally Gray meets DJ Dave Lee Travis and his dream car, while Emma Lee tries drag racing

3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: CARTOON TIME
 4.00 GIGGLISH ALLSORTS
 4.10 RUPERT
 4.35 PENNSYLVANIA PET SHOP
 5.00 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
 5.10 THE BIZ
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY The police try to get Anna before she takes off with Paul
 6.00 SPACE CADETS (New)
 6.25 MOTORMONTH Presented by Steve Rider
 6.55 SCENE HERE
 7.25 EASTENDERS The harsh reality of her situation hits Kathy when she discovers that old wounds are very hard to forget
 7.55 WOKENWELL Concluding this off beat drama series about police officers in a small northern town
 8.45 MY WONDERFUL LIFE Concluding this comedy series charting the chaotic life of Donna, a nurse with two rebellious kids, an acid tongue and a taste for unsuitable men
 9.10 PLOTLANDS Chloe's bitter past catches up with her
 10.00 PAUL McCARTNEY: IN THE WORLD TONIGHT
 10.50 DIANA, THE PEOPLE'S VIGIL

The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY September 13

6.00 News BFBS
 6.05 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Mr & Mrs Nobody
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 Murder at the Vicarage
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY September 14

5.00 News BFBS
 5.05 Music fill
 5.15 The Archers Ombibus
 6.15 Music Fill
 6.30 Weather, Flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service- Tabernacle
 8.00 Sports Roundup
 8.15 Folk Music Show
 8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.00 News Desk
 9.30 Juste
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

MONDAY September 15

10.05 Morning show

12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 B.F.B.S. Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The Late Afternoon Show
 6.00 Country Crossroads
 6.30 The Grumbleweeds
 7.00 From Hoplite to Harrier 2/10
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 BBC Story of Pop
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 Drama: Butterfly wings and hurricanes
 10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY September 16

10.03 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 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 St. News
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert - Boo Radleys
 7.30 News and Sports
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 The Comedians

8.30 Paths of Inspiration
 9.00 News desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 9.00 The Human Child
 9.30 News Magazine
 10.00 News BFBS
WEDNESDAY September 17
 10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements, BFBS Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Late Afternoon Show
 5.45 The Folk Show Rpt
 6.30 Just a minute
 7.00 Sad Cypress
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Classic Concerts
 9.00 News Desk from BBC
 9.28 Rpt. weather & flights
 9.30 Listen with Les
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News from BFBS
THURSDAY September 18
 10.03 Morning Show
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.10 Lunchtime Announcements, BFBS Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Music Fill
 All programmes are subject to change. Any changes will be broadcast on FIBS

.....AND OVER TO B.F.B.S.

SATURDAY

0000 News & Me Mark Page 0200 News & Eurozone 0400 News & Benny Brown 0600 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0830 News Magazine 0903 Sports n all 1100 Sport on 5 1400 News & Me Mark Page 1600 News & Benny Brown 1800 News 7 Eurozone with A Donovan 2000 News & Rockola 2200 Steve Mason

SUNDAY

0000 News & Weekend World - Jamie Gordon 0200 TNews 7 UK Music Week - Gary King 0400 News & Bob Harris 0700 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0800 Steve McQueen 1003 UK Music Week 1200 Lunchtime Show 1400 News & Weekend Word - Jamie Gordon 1600 Bob Harris 1900 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 2100 News & Essential selection 2200 News & London Tonight

MONDAY

0000 London tonight continued 0100 News & Gold - Dave Windsor 0200 Today Programme - Radio 4 0400 News & Essential selection 0500 News & early breakfast from London 0600 The Breakfast Show Dusty Miller 0900 Dave Windsor-Gold 1000 News & FIBS Morning Show 1200 News 3" FIBS Announcements 1215 The Archers 1230 BFBS Reports 1300 Newsplus 1330 Sid Olivera 1603 Essential selection 1703 Connect UK - Andy Wright 1900 Evening show 2100 News & Rock Show 2300 News & London Tonight
TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

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THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

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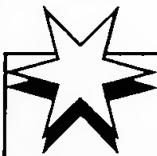
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Diary of a Farmer's Cat by
Baldrick Wilkinson

Spring is springing and romance is in the air for Baldrick

SPRING is (halfheartedly) springing, judging by the activity among the local wildlife. The macracarpa trees by the house - victims of the Boss's pruning frenzy some months ago, and looking sadly abbreviated are nevertheless still able to house many small birds. Much argument is going on as to ownership of certain branches, and much pressure being put upon those unable to produce leasehold agreements or title deeds.

"Whaddy mean, this is your branch? I never heard such tosh. I put a deposit down on it last year, mate. A sizeable deposit. In fact - look - it's still there..."

These petty arguments fade out of earshot when I accompany the Missus. Jess and Trim on their walks every day along the coast, but we find similar squabbles going on among the logger ducks, kelp geese and oystercatchers (they of the smoke alarm voices). Beats me why there's so much aggro over territory. One bit of branch or coastline is much like another, it seems to me. Having said which, I must confess I would tear limb from limb any moggy who dared to sleep in my box...

These coastal walks do the Missus and me a power of good. We'd both gone down with severe cabin fever after a long winter's internment in the house. Symptoms in both cases included lethargy, long faces - well, as long as a moggy's can get - and total disinterest in food combined with inexplicable and unfair weight gain. Cabin fever has other side effects and can be terminal, so immediate action was needed. The only known cure is to get out of sight and sound of the settlement for a while. Hence the walks. This mode of progression is, admittedly, somewhat alien to both myself and the old girl. It also limits our range of escape from humdrum routine. However, the alternative (driving in the Tank) carries with it the likelihood of getting bogged, due to the state of the tracks out here.

Neither of us is that enamoured of de-boggings, so walking it is for the foreseeable future. Which means inevitably that we won't be travelling too far from home...

Young puppy Kate on the other hand is now a seasoned traveller, having flown out of here with Eldest Son en route to her new home in town. The Boss also flew out that day (something to do with his power business I think), and is away for a week. The Missus is still unable to knit, spin etc and being Home Alone yet again has

made her as crabby if not crabrier than before. Sheesh. What a moggy has to suffer, to keep a roof over his head.

And talking of moggy suffering - Floss and Jan are in an interesting condition yet again, which means Sam is in a funny mood. (Not funny Ha Ha, either.) The old chap doesn't always think logically at times like this, which can lead to embarrassing predicaments for anyone who stands still long enough to tempt this canine Romeo. The Missus had to rescue me yesterday from a fate worse than death, which was decent of the old bat as I hadn't realised what was happening until it was almost too late. And I have to say I was miffed.

Well, I mean to say, friendship is one thing. But, gadzooks, you can take it too far...

And talking of going too far - Eldest Son was here recently for a farewell visit before flying off to the Yoo Kay for training. The Missus is twitching every time the phone rings, and won't be happy until she hears he's landed safely. (If only they'd known it, the TriStar's pilots needn't have worried about engine power on this particular flight. The entire plane was borne safely aloft by the Missus's willpower alone...)

One legacy of Eldest Son's visit - unfortunately for most of us round here - was his electric guitar and amp-thingy. The Boss was delighted to guitar-sit, and immediately roadtested this instrument of torture while its owner was around to provide some coaching. After a few false starts and some mild swearing (from the Missus) the joint was rocking, with the Boss throwing heart and soul into his new toy and Eldest Son accompanying him on the Boss's own 12-string.

Oh boy. That was a definite cue for Walkies. The Missus and I ske-daddled as fast as we could ske-daddle, grabbing the pups as we went, and all four put as much distance between ourselves and the so-called music in nanoseconds.

It has to be said that although the Boss may not be in Dire Straits just yet, the rest of us are already there...

Anyone know where a chap can buy earplugs???

Cheers, chays -

From your nearly-seduced, but well-exercised chum

Baldrick

West Falklands roads.. next stage

IN stage 5 of the West Falkland Rural Roads project, Gordon Forbes Construction (Falklands) Ltd, who were the only tenderers for the project, with a target price of £927,000, have been awarded a risk sharing contract and are to construct in the region of 45-50 km of road. The road will consist of a

track to the jetty at Roy Cove settlement from a point close to Gorsebush Pass on the recently constructed road to Hill Cove and a track from Hill Cove to the farm boundary gate at Main Point House, via Shallow Bay. The duration of the contract is over a period of two seasons.

News from South America



Amoco becomes the second oil and gas producer of Argentina
AMERICAN oil company Amoco and the local Bidas agreed to combine their oil and gas businesses to take advantage of the region's fast growing energy market.

The companies said merging their activities in the region would create Argentina's second-largest oil and gas producer and open the door for significant growth in neighbouring countries. The leading company in Argentina is YPF, the former state oil monopoly. YPF Chief Executive, Roberto Monti said, "The new company doesn't pose a threat for YPF."

British trade mission to Argentina and Chile
A BRITISH Ministerial and trade mission headed by Lord Clinton-Davis will spend a week in Argentina and Chile to highlight the United Kingdom's commitment to further develop links with Latin America, and particularly Mercosur countries, some of the fastest growing markets for British exports.

"Argentina is now the fastest growing market for British exports and figures speak for themselves, £322 million in 1996, with a 66% jump so far this year. Chile's also a promising market for British exports and it's our intention to strengthen ties and offer British commercial expertise in a number of diverse sectors," said Lord Clinton-Davis.

Among the high-powered and influential party will be executives from Deutsche Morgan Grenfell, the National Grid (electricity distributors), Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, Kaverer Construction Int, ABB Daimler Benz and Baco Bilbao Investment. Quite a few of these companies have already considerable investments both in Argentina and Chile.

Crucial talks
President Bill Clinton has begun crucial negotiations with the US Congress to obtain the fast track authority the administration needs to negotiate trade pacts, mainly the expansion of Nafta, and the creation of a free trade area to encompass the three Americas.

According to Washington sources, the Clinton administration wants to include Chile and in a second step Argentina as associ-

ate members of Nafta, the free trade area born in 1993 with Mexico and Canada.

The US Congress is divided on the matter. Many Democrats, headed by Richard Gephardt (who has presidential aspirations) want the trade treaties to include labour and environment protection clauses. Republicans argue that these clauses will hamper trade and investment expansion. American trade unions are siding with Gephardt on the labour clause dispute, fearing the loss of jobs.

Clinton needs the negotiations started by next October for when he visits Mercosur countries, and fully approved by March 1998, when he will be the 'star' in the Americas presidential summit to be held in Santiago, Chile.

Under fast-track legislation Congress can only accept or reject the full treaty.

Peat in Tierra Del Fuego
SOUTHERN Chile and Argentina have considerable deposits of peat which if adequately exploited could become an important source of rural labour and energy, according to an official Chilean paper on the development of future non traditional industries.

The peat deposits detected in the Magallanes Region have natural humidity contents ranging between 90 and 95 percent; a Ph between 4.0 and 4.3; ash content between 0.5 and 4.1 percent. The average thickness of the deposits is 1.5 metres.

At the moment the whole of the Magellanic peat production is used for mushroom growing, fruit and flower nurseries in central Chile. At the same latitude, south of 42° - Argentina has peat deposits in Tierra del Fuego and Santa Cruz provinces.

Carrasco Airport set for Privatisation

IN line with the current policies of economic liberalism, Uruguay is planning the privatisation of the Carrasco International Airport, the country's main air terminal.

The privatisation will be carried out by a government commission and technically supported by Lufthansa Consulting GmbH and Coopers & Lybrand, which will also help to pick and evaluate potential investors.



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Introducing Penguin Profile Part 1: from the Environmental Research Unit PO Box 434

PENGUINS are probably amongst the most popular of all the bird families. as a trip round any zoo will show you. Children have always been fascinated by these comical looking birds that can't fly and look so ungainly when trying to walk. They look more like something designed for a cartoon sketch than a bird honed for survival in a harsh and dangerous environment.

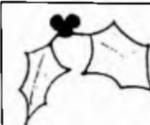
Nevertheless, penguins are in fact a marvel of evolutionary adaptation, and their overall design is so successful, that it has remained basically unchanged for the last 50 million years.

The reason that the body shape has altered so little is that it is the perfect design for underwater propulsion. They have smooth torpedo shaped bodies which provide incredibly low drag through water. legs set well back to act as rudders and brakes, and short sturdy flippers for propulsion. The body is so perfectly streamlined that it is unmatched by any man-made design.

The drag coefficient of the penguin body is so low, that despite its very much greater size, a penguin the size of a Gannet creates less drag through the water than a £1 coin.

This is of great significance for research scientists wishing to attach devices to penguins, in order to study penguin behaviour. Even very small devices may greatly increase the drag coefficient of the penguin, requiring it to exert considerably more energy during swimming, and therefore affecting both behaviour and results.

And now a question: Why do males return to the breeding site a few days earlier than the females? Answer in *Penguin Profile 2*.



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Application forms are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4 pm on Wednesday 17th September 1997.

Falklands off to offshore Europe

THE Falkland Islands Development Corporation, in conjunction with the Islands' Chamber of Commerce, is presently attending Offshore Europe for the first time. The two organisations have taken exhibition space to promote the business opportunities available within the Islands to UK companies, but in particular the future commercial prospects for Scottish companies, in the service sector should oil be found in Falkland waters.

During their visit to the City (four days this week), Hugh Normand (General Manager, FIDC), Ian Cox (London Representative, FIDC) and Hamish Wylie, (Vice-President, Falkland Islands Chamber of Commerce) will be meeting Aberdeen companies, and others, working in the oil sector.

Prior to attending, Hugh Normand said: "Although there is no guarantee that oil will be found off the Islands, it's important that the Development Corporation and the Chamber of Commerce start putting into place the necessary commercial infrastructure through joint ventures with local firms wherever possible, to support future oil exploration and production. We hope that Scottish firms will show strong interest as their North Sea experience will be invaluable to us."

He added: "We also hope that our presence at Offshore Europe will improve the awareness and appreciation of the Islands as they are today. In recent years the Islands' have moved from a mainly agricultural economy - wool - to a more mixed economic base, in particular through fisheries and tourism."

Penguin News can confirm that in the last few days there has been "intense interest" in the Falklands stand.

The Falkland Islands Development Corporation/Falkland Islands Chamber of Commerce are located at Stand 719 (telephone number 01224 827334).

Weather for August

The two weather elements that strayed furthest from their mean were 'sunshine' - well above - and 'days of gale' also well above. This may at first glance appear somewhat odd i.e. that a windy month can turn out to be a sunny month but at this time of year, when the sun is only now just beginning to gain some strength, the best means of clearing away gloomy weather is to blow it away.

Temperature

The mean maximum and minimum temperatures were very close to the average for August. The mean max' of 5.9 Deg C being slightly above the 5.8 Deg C average and the mean min of 0.4 Deg C being spot on the average. The highest max' of 11.4 deg C was recorded on the 9th - quite early in the month - and the lowest min; -7.2 Deg C on the 2nd.

Rainfall

As with the temperatures the rainfall total of 35.4mm was very close to average of 35.1mm with the total being spread out fairly evenly through the month. The wettest day being the 16th when 8.3mm fell.

Snow

The incidence of snow/sleet, 13 days, was also very close to the average of 12 with the greatest depth of 6cm being recorded on the 2nd.

Sunshine

As has already been mentioned, the sunshine total of 122.4 hours was well above the average of 95.1 hours. Indeed, there were only 3 days when no sunshine was recorded.

Wind/Gales

It was certainly a windy month, there being 22 days when winds exceeded 33 knots. This is 6 days more than usual. The maximum gust of 61 knots occurring on the morning of the 8th.

Weather Statistics for August 1997

Long term averages for Stanley (1962-81) are shown in parenthesis. Temperatures are in degrees Celsius, winds are in knots, rainfall in millimetres and sunshine in hours.

Highest daily maximum temperature 11.4 (14.0)

Lowest daily minimum -7.2 (-7.9)

Mean daily maximum temperature 5.9 (5.2)

Mean daily minimum temperature 0.4 (0.0)

Total monthly rainfall 35.4 (42.3)

Total monthly sunshine 122.4 (100.0)

Number of days with rain 19 (17)

Number of days with snow 13 (11)

Number of days with snow lying 9 (7)

Number of days with fog* 5 (4)

Number of days with air frost 18 (14.9)

Number of days with hail 8 (1)

Number of days with thunderstorms 0 (0)

Number of days with gales 8 (4)

Number of days with gusts 34 Kts or more 22 (17)

Highest gust 61 (76)

* includes reductions due to blowing snow or heavy snow showers

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NOTICES

A good gathering enjoyed another evening of Auction Bridge on the 3rd September. Prize winners were:

1st Mrs D Clarke and F Jackson.
2nd Mrs D Duncan and Mrs J Middleton
Booby Mrs J Bound and Mrs C Blackley

The next Bridge evening is scheduled for Wednesday 17th September. Whist is played on alternate weeks, in the Day Centre. ALL ARE WELCOME.

A Series of GOSPEL SERVICES will be held in the Town Hall (Refreshment Room) on Sundays at 3pm Weds and Fridays at 7.30 pm From September 14th - 28th. All are Welcome. Speakers: A. Leeks, B. Smith

STANLEY GOLF CLUB

September Monthly Medal Sunday 7 September

Winner on a countback: Troyd Bowles nett 68

Runner-up Barry Smith nett 68

4 birdies were recorded during the competition. One each for Robert Titterington and Aidie Lowe with Glen Ross recording impressive back to back birdies on the par 4 eighth and ninth holes respectively, almost holing-out for eagle on the ninth.

The winter foursomes competition is nearing its end with Gary Clement and Troyd Bowles already through to the final.

The second semi-final, with the pairing of Simon Goodwin and Alex Smith playing Barry Smith and Graham France, is planned for Sunday 14th

From the Councillors Office

This office will be closed from Friday 12th September until Wednesday 15th October 1997. ExCo Members can be contacted direct or through the Clerk of Councils Office - any other Council enquiries to that office as well Jenny Luxton - Research Assist.

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Spring Race Programme

Provisional dates

12 week training schedule developed by Sarah Allan

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To Jason



Happy 8th Birthday for the 13th Love Mum Dad and Dylan

Rose Stewart is delighted to announce the engagement of her youngest daughter Carol to Alex, son of Pam and the late Reynold Reid which took place in Punta Arenas, Chile on Thursday

28th August

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Postscript from St. Mary's

"The life and death of each of us, has its influence on others" writes St Paul in his Letter to the Romans. The truth of this was brought home to us last week as the world mourned the deaths of two women; two women who belonged to different generations, different cultures, different faiths, and lived vastly different life-styles. One was a 36 year old English Princess who died tragically in France, and the other, an 87 year old Albanian born Catholic nun who died in India.

It is what they shared, what they had in common that links these women. Both had a deep compassion for people; a compassion that communicated love and acceptance and restored human dignity on those who had long lost it through suffering and rejection.

In love as in grief, we are in a realm beyond words. Princess Diana saw and was inspired by the wordless loving and healing touches of Mother Teresa for the unloved, the abandoned, the marginalised, the nobodies and was enabled to find a focus for her own special gift of reaching out to people. Mother Teresa's special gift to the world is that she has revealed to us the source and inspiration of her work - to see Christ in every person she met and cared for. For her, knowing Christ and making Him known was to act like Him.

People like Mother Teresa and Princess Diana are part of God's answer to suffering. We can also be if we open our eyes, our hearts, our ears and our hands to the needs of others - if we each find our own Calcutta.

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Battle begins as candidates named

FOURTEEN individuals have been validly nominated as candidates for the General Election next month. For the Camp constituency, five candidates will be standing for election, of whom three may be elected to council on October 9, and for Stanley, nine candidates will stand, of whom five may be elected.

Few of the candidates are total strangers to the election process: Sharon Halford, Eric Goss, Norma Edwards, Richard Stevens and William Luxton were all elected to Legislative Council in October 1993. John Birmingham and Mike Summers were elected in by-elections. John in 1994 and Mike in 1996.

Lewis Clifton has also, in the past, completed a term as a councillor. June Besley-Clark and Ben Claxton have both stood unsuccessfully for election. Mrs Clark in the 1996 by-election and Mr Claxton in 1993. Mrs Jan Cheek was prevented from standing in 1996 due to an administrative error, and stood unsuccessfully in 1981. Mr Alan Jones, Mr Bill Davies and Mr Richard Cockwell, however, have never stood for election in the past.

Candidates for General Election October 9, 1997

Camp: Mr Richard J Stevens,

Mr Richard Cockwell, Mr William R Luxton,
Mr Eric M Goss, Mrs Norma Edwards.

Stanley: Mr Lewis Clifton, Mr John Birmingham,
Mr Michael V Summers, Mrs Sharon Halford,
Mr Bill Davies, Mr Ben Claxton, Mr Alan S Jones,
Mrs Barbara J Besley-Clark, Mrs Janet L Cheek

Next week Penguin News will carry summaries of candidates' manifestos

Candidates

Lewis Clifton was born in Darwin, Falkland Islands in 1956. He is a former councillor (ExCo and LegCo) and represented the Falklands Government in London between 1987-1990. A successful postgraduate in the London school of Economics, Sea-Use Policy, Economics and Law-Making Programme.

Richard Stevens was born in Plymouth, England. Following his education up to secondary school level, he worked in agriculture, trained as a commercial diver and then came to the Falklands as a

travelling teacher in 1977. Richard married Toni in 1984 and has two children. They own Port Sussex Farm. Served on council 1993-1997.

Richard Cockwell was born in England in 1939, where he was educated. Having worked in Agriculture in Australia he came to the Falklands in 1964 as Manager's Assistant for Packe Brothers and Co Ltd, and took over as manager

(1967-83).

Married to Grizelda, he designed and built Falkland Mill, where he is now Chairman and Manager. He has five children.

Bill Luxton was born in Stanley, Falkland Islands in 1940. A fourth generation Islander, he has two sons and is now married to Elizabeth (Lidda). A farmer, Bill has been on ExCo or Legeo since 1972 except for the period 1985-89. He was deported from the Falklands in 1982 by the Argentine occupying force.

Eric Goss was born in the Falklands in 1941, he has two sons and is married to Shirley. He was locally educated and made his career as a sheep rancher in 1962. First elected to council in 1986, he has also been a member of ExCo. Presently attending a meeting of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association in Mauritius.

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Supply contracts not yet awarded

RUMOURS that the oil companies currently involved in the exploration of Falklands' waters in the search for oil have already awarded service contracts to companies from the Argentine oil port of Comodoro Rivadavia, were put into perspective this week by FIDC General Manager, Hugh Normand.

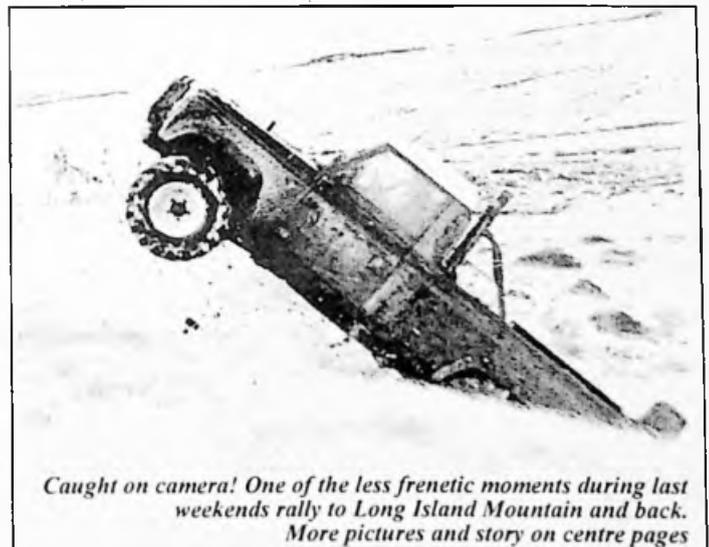
On his return to the Islands from attending the Offshore Europe exhibition in Aberdeen, he confirmed that final decisions on who will be supplying the support services have not yet been made, but it is the various oil consortia who will make those decisions.

Hugh indicated that a number of companies based in Stanley, who are involved in joint ventures with more experienced service supply companies from the UK, have entered bids, but now they have received these bids the consortia have also invited alternative bids from Argentine based companies.

Declaring that lack of experience was not a factor, as that would be imported via the UK joint venture companies, Hugh was confident that companies in the Islands have a number of advantages over mainland rivals. "Some services," he said, "like helicopters, have to be based here in the Falklands, while the fact that we are closer to the drilling sites is also a plus in terms of speed and cost-savings of shipping supplies, as well as the safety aspects."

"FIDC," Hugh said, "are committed to trying to create an acceptable commercial environment here in the Islands to encourage the oil consortia to use our companies for their supply services."

Response to the Falklands' presence at the exhibition was good. "We made new contacts and learned more about the industry," Hugh said, "and also introduced our own companies to prospective users."



Caught on camera! One of the less frenetic moments during last weekends rally to Long Island Mountain and back. More pictures and story on centre pages

No damage from Hill Cove oil spill

FOLLOWING the news on Sunday, September 14, that 22,000 litres of diesel had leaked into the sea from a storage tank at Hill Cove, military authorities took immediate action to limit the damage. The spillage was halted, on-site work was started and the *MV Oil Mariner* was despatched to break up the slick by steaming through it.

Becky Ingham of Falklands Conservation visited the area the next day and has since stated that there appears to be minimal direct impact on local wildlife. No 'oiled' birds were found, though some dead shellfish were seen directly below the spill site.

The cause of the leak is under investigation.

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WITH the Argentine press frantic for news, views and rumours about Falklands LegCo candidates, accompanied by speculation from papers such as *La Nacion* and the *BA Herald* on the effect of new Falklands representatives on 'foreign affairs,' observers might be forgiven for wondering if parts of South America were not more interested in the Islands' General Election than we ourselves are. Not, I hasten to add, that such a perception could be considered accurate - while, as yet, local newspapers and radio may be treating the subject with some restraint, domestic discussion is already, and has been for some time, widespread. In an attempt to encourage further debate, however, *Penguin News* have this week approached a cross-section of the community (including both male and female; Stanley and Camp residents; and representatives of the young and the old) with questions regarding what they want to hear from candidates.

Not surprisingly, in terms of the local view of our 'relationship' with Argentina, little appears to have changed. Many people are still adamant that contacts should be limited to such necessities as discussions over fishing and oil, and are determined that Argentine passport holders should not be allowed to visit the Islands, unless that country drops its 'spurious claim to sovereignty'. Perhaps the only change of position worth noting, is that a growing number of Islanders feel it would be a positive move should private individuals or groups (but non-governmental representatives) attempt to become involved in 'educating' Argentine citizens (lecture tours to Argentina etc.) with regard to the Falklands way of life. Alternatively, the concept of invitations to Argentine journalists to visit the Islands is giving the appearance of having gained some popularity. (See pages 4-5 for more views)

HARD on the heels of an exhibition of work by painter Mike Peake, Museum Curator, John Smith, is set to prove on Saturday that neither Mike, nor the more radical, Jamie Peck, have entirely cornered the local market with regard to this particular art form.

John will of course be competing for the public's attention on Saturday with the wealth of artistic flair certain to be on display at the craft Fair - a popular event, which regularly leaves visitors with the feeling that the Islands have more than enough talent to lend viability to a permanent craft centre in Stanley. An option, which would not only make life easier for tourists with time constraints, but probably encourage both local and military residents to take a greater interest in the variety of locally created wares.

ON the subject of local flair, the more conservative (*meaning wiser*) of the rover rally drivers involved in the Long Island trek last Sunday could hardly have failed to have been at least grudgingly impressed by the skills of a number of the rally's youthful (and excitable) participants. It should probably be explained, however, that those same 'skills' were probably less connected with the ability to avoid driving over steep drops, or into ponds (the prevention of which probably depends more on 'care', than on 'skill') but rather, the occasionally outrageous customising of transport - i.e. turning a heap of junk, into a heap of junk with forward propulsion - plus the sheer strength of will power involved in keeping that same contraption in one piece, whilst careering across the swamp and ditch strewn North Camp.

Whatever the fun had, however, the most impressive and heartening aspect of the day, was the proof yet again that Islands' youngsters have the dynamism to organise such fund-raising events in support of their chosen sport. (As well as dispelling the myth that male dominated clubs are entirely unable to create successful fund-raising activities without organisation by their womenfolk!)

Public Notice

The Planning Ordinance 1991

Appeal by Mr G Dixon on behalf of the Falkland Islands Development Corporation against the deemed refusal of planning permission to construct a visitor centre and related tourist facilities, office building and single residential flat, all with access thereto and parking spaces therefore, adjoining Public Jetty, Stanley.

Mr G Dixon of Dixon Architects, London has appealed on behalf of the Falkland Islands Development Corporation, to Executive Council against the deemed refusal of planning permission for the above mentioned construction.

A copy of the planning application may be inspected at the office of the Environmental planning Officer, Malvina House Gardens, Stanley during normal working hours.

Comments on the Appeal should be made in writing and should be sent to the Clerk of Councils, Legislature Department, Stanley within 14 days of the date of this notice.

Your letters

SAC a secret lobby?

ALASTAIR Forsyth did not tell the whole story about South Atlantic Council (SAC) membership in his letter of September 5.

His two Argentine "associate non-voting members" have not just been "resident for many years in Britain." Both have been highly active politically too, and can be relied on to deliver hard-line Argentine opinion into SAC thinking. One is Augustin Blanco-Bazan, President of the Argentine Club in London. This is a political club - and a hotbed of Malvinas fervour. The other is Dr. Celia Szustermann, a university lecturer. She has helped organise three conferences here in the last 18 months. All were used to promote Argentine ideas on the Falklands, and Alastair Forsyth featured in all of them.

Mr Forsyth makes the point that other members are British - and so they are. But, I myself know several with close Argentine connections. One, for example, is Alan Tabbush, who grew up in Argen-

tina and recently published a paper calling for settlement of the Falklands dispute. I have good reason to believe that a number of other SAC members represent British companies with interests in Argentina. Alastair Forsyth himself used to do merchant banking throughout Latin-America.

I recently asked Mr Forsyth for a list of his members - to find out who make up his lobby group now and who they really represent. He refuses to give this out. Why? Could it be to conceal Argentine connections?

Mr Forsyth has called for Islander participation in his bizarre campaign. Instead of expecting people to cooperate with a secret lobby, I suggest he make his membership list publicly available in the Falklands. Then, Islanders could make an informed decision over whether to have anything to do with his lobby group - or whether to avoid it.

Peter Pepper

Falklands do respect Diana

I AM writing in response to the letter from KMPJ Ormand in last week's *Penguin News*.

As a civil servant I was led to believe that government offices were closed mainly as a mark of respect for the late Princess of Wales, with the added opportunity that those who wished to attend the memorial service had the chance to do so.

Just because the Cathedral may not have been 'packed' with civil servants or 'prominent citizens' does not at all imply that our community would seem less respect-

ful of the Princess of Wales. If Mr Ormand was to take time to look at the circulating Book of Condolence he would, in fact, see that the Princess was as well respected in the Falkland Islands as in Britain and the rest of the world.

Certainly, not going to church for a memorial service, to my mind, does not make you any less respectful of Princess Diana, her achievements and the world's loss of a truly unique person.

Paul Riddell
Stanley

Amazed at appeal to Planning Committee

(Copy of a letter to the Clerk of Councils)

I WAS amazed to hear a broadcast this week of an appeal by G Dickson, to the Executive Council, on behalf of FIDC, reference the refusal by the Town Planning Committee to agree to their application for development works in the Public Jetty area.

When this application was applied for, there was no mention of an accommodation flat. The third floor was for a so-called "harbour observation room."

Good day Mr Dickson. If you

had so much interest in OUR TOWN, you would be living here, not attempting to get our Executive Councillors to make a decision against the Town Planning Committee. If they were unhappy with the application submitted, then FIDC are open to refusal the same as Islanders.

I would ask the Council members to respect the task undertaken by the members of the Town Planning Committee, without overruling their decision.

B Peck
Stanley

Write to Penguin News, Ross Road,
Stanley, Falkland Islands

A magnificent and moving occasion

Copy of a letter sent to Ms Sukey Cameron, Representative, The Falkland Islands Government Office in London, from Dr R Jolly, Chairman of the South Atlantic Medals Association 1982.

THANK you for thinking of SAMA82 when the call came through from the Lord Chamberlain's Office for six veterans of the South Atlantic campaign to attend the funeral of Diana, Princess of Wales, at Westminster Abbey last Saturday. It was a magnificent and moving occasion: we felt greatly honoured as individuals, but were also very much aware that we were representing the Island Membership of the South Atlantic Medal Association, in particular Andrew Lockett of *HMS Endurance*. 'The Red Plum' was always the Falkland Islanders' very own ship, and the late Captain Nick Barker would have been very proud indeed.

In the process of walking to the Abbey we paused to look at your beautiful window display, and to read the wonderful tribute from His Excellency The Governor, Richard Ralph. Once in the Abbey, Tony Davies, Denzil Connick and I were seated in the Nave, while Andrew, Steve Newland and John

Phillips took their places in the North and South Transepts, behind the Royal Family but very close to the coffin.

We all have different memories of the service, mine were of the multicoloured shafts of sunlight breaking through the stained glass windows as the coffin was carried in, plus the glistening faces of those young Welsh Guardsmen, straining under their heavy load, but also concentrating fiercely on their sad but critically important task. The Warrant Officer preceding them was a survivor of RFA *Sir Galahad*.

I thought back to those amazing days in Stanley, when Her Majesty's Sovereignty was restored to the Islands in the same June week that the wife of the Sovereign's Heir was delivered of a first-born son. I also remembered the magic that Diana had wrought amongst those wounded veterans of 1982, both in the three service hospitals and at Receptions for the men of the Prince of Wales' own regiments. Nothing can equal the morale-boosting effect of kind words and a flashing smile from such a stunningly pretty lady.

May she rest in peace...

Dr R T Jolly OBE

The Camp has it

HAVING heard the list of candidates standing for council on FIBS on Wednesday evening, one thought comes to mind: is it too late to change to having five Camp

councillors and three Stanley councillors instead?!

Stephen Luxton
Stanley

Survival of the (un) fittest?

LEGISLATURE candidates defy natural selection.

E. Anderson
Stanley

Malvina Vernet

ALTHOUGH the question 'who was the first Malvina in the Islands?' has already been answered in a previous *Penguin News*, the letter below provides some additional information.

MAY I through your paper inform Joan Spruce that the first girl to be

given the name Malvina in the Falklands was the daughter born to the Vernets during their short residence at Port Louis in the early 1830's. Mrs Spruce may be able to obtain full details from the relevant department in Buenos Aires if registration of such personal facts was in being in those early days.

The name Malvina was in fact introduced to the Islands by the Vernets. Being a delightful one, it 'caught on' and is now firmly established as part of the 'Falkland nomenclature.'

Mary Cawkell
London

British/Argentine oil talks continue

REPORTING from London earlier this week, Graham Bound, for *Mercopress*, says that Argentine-British oil talks are continuing in London. He goes on to say, the discussions - significantly less formal and down-to-earth than those which have taken place in the past, are concentrating on the special area of joint jurisdiction between the west of the Falklands and Argentina.

Pitched at a low official level the talks involve experts from both sides considering practical issues that need to be solved before oil exploration licences can be issued. The issues include the legislation necessary for the control of the area, health and safety, environmental considerations and the criteria for granting drill rig licences.

Director of Oil in the Falklands, Phyllis Rendell, who is not attending the talks, says the meetings are, "a good thing... good for

progress and good for relations with Argentina."

EIGHT Indonesian seamen left their ship (the Korean fishing vessel *In Sung 66*) when it visited Stanley last week, and refused to return to it. The Seamen claimed they did not trust their Captain to give them permission to be repatriated when they reached Punta Arenas in Chile, saying he had promised them repatriation before and then refused it. The men, who are said to have been at sea for 20 months, were flown to Indonesia via Chile last Saturday (13th) after the vessel's agents, Sullivan Shipping Services, undertook responsibility for the men. Mike Hughes of the Seamen's Mission said it was an humanitarian act by the agents, in that they did far more for the men than would normally have been expected.

Candidates: Continued from front page

Norma Edwards was born in the Islands in 1942, and first elected as a Stanley Councillor, in 1985. She is married to Roger and has two daughters. Locally educated, she started her career as a nurse, and is now a farmer. Like Eric Goss, she is presently in Mauritius and will go on to the UK for the Labour and Conservative party conferences.

John Birmingham was born in 1953, he is married to Sue and they have two children. John has spent ten years in the Camp and seven in Stanley. He has just completed a three year term in council.

Mike Summers was born in 1952, in Stanley, Falkland Islands. He gained a scholarship to a school in Dorset, and in 1975 achieved a BA (Hons) in Business studies at Middlesex Polytechnic. He has worked for various engineering and construction companies (oil gas, chemical industries), and was a manager of a sales and marketing and corporate planning company (offshore engineering).

He later became General Manager of the FIDC and is now self-employed (management consultancy, part owner of fishing vessel). Member of Falkland Islands Association 1975-89, Chairman 1987-89.

Sharon Halford was born in Stanley, Falkland Islands, in 1953. She is married to John and has two daughters. She was educated in Stanley, and has lived in both the Camp and Stanley.

Sharon has attended nine separate overseas conferences while on council. She has served on ExCo.

Most recently employed by Falklands Landholdings as an Office Manager, she is now voluntarily self employed.

Bill Davies was born in Liverpool, England in 1946, where he

was educated. He came to the Falklands as a joiner and then worked in the PWD Carpenters Shop. Bill has three children and is now married to Chris.

Ben Claxton was born near York. He spent many years in the Royal Navy, working initially as a Chief Clearance Diving Instructor. Following employment with construction companies, including Crown Agents, he started a Taxi and Driving school business in the Falklands. He was a member of the Institutes of Concrete Technology, British Engineers and Engineers and Technicians. Ben is married to Margaret and has four children.

Alan Jones was born in North Shields in 1942, where he was educated. He worked on Tyneside until joining the Royal Air Force in 1960, and has been employed as an office equipment technician, a buyer/expediter, a general engineering buyer/materials manager, and now works as supplies officer for FIG. Alan came to the Falklands in 1985 with LMA. He is married to Jennifer and has two sons.

June Besley-Clark was born in Exeter, Devon, was educated in Exeter and is a trained secretary. June is married to Norman and has two sons.

She has been employed as an army driver, a florist and an Area Manager. June is presently a clerk with the Philatelic Bureau and a Director, in her, and her husband's business, Falkland Printz.

Jan Cheek was born in Stanley, Falkland Islands, in 1948.

She was educated in South Georgia and Stanley, and then won a scholarship to Shaftesbury College in Dorset. She later trained as a teacher.

Jan married the late John Cheek in 1968. She worked as a teacher until the early 1990's and is now a Director of Fortuna Ltd. where she works full-time.

Election - Voters say

THE 1997 Election Campaign for Legislative Council seats begins in earnest this week with the closure of nomination for candidacy. Next week Penguin News will be publishing candidates' statements of policy. As a foretaste of what is likely to come we went out and asked our readers what they, as voters, want to see in those statements.

Every four years the Falkland Islands go to the polls having endured, possibly, the shortest election campaign period in the of any democratic society in the western world. And though the pundits regularly propound the theory that each election sees the Islands arriving at a new and potentially

critical political crossroads, this year they may well be right: the possible advent of oil and the potential for mountains of money mean there are some very big decisions to be made during the life of the next Council. But what are you, the electorate, thinking? What issues, would

you like to see prospective councillors be declaring an interest in as we enter the run-up to October 9 - Polling Day?

Penguin News went to the people this week to find out, and discovered, without too much surprise, that many electors will be looking first and foremost for candidates who are ready to maintain a hard-line policy towards Argentina.

Retired government worker, Joe King, was unequivocal in his view. "I will only be voting for candidates who advocate no connection with Argentina whatsoever," he said. "I have lived the whole of my life in the shadow of the Argentine threat and my vote will go to the prospective councillors who agree with me that we must not open the door one iota."

Another Stanley constituent with similar views is Director of Civil Aviation, Gerald Cheek. "I feel we should follow the party line," he said. "And I believe we should have no connections with Argentina pending their dropping of the spurious claim to sovereignty."

Rosemary King agreed with the importance of the foreign

policy issue, and echoed much of what Joe and Gerald said, but added she would not totally exclude contact with Argentina on specific matters. "For me," she said, "the first priority of any candidate should be to think about the external situation with Argentina. It's the hard line for me, but I think we should talk on oil and fish. I would not support any candidate who did not agree that Argentine passport holders should not be allowed to enter the Islands."

Interestingly, Campers/Penguin News spoke to were, if anything, slightly less extreme. From Port Howard, Rodney Lee expressed his satisfaction with the outgoing Council who, on this matter, he said, "got the balance about right." He would like to see the new Council adopt the same policy. "Until Argentina admits we belong to Britain we don't let them in - with some exceptions. The more they know about us the better, so the occasional reporter, who will go back and write the truth about us, is acceptable."

Another Camper, who preferred to remain unnamed, said he too would prefer candidates who favoured a policy of educating Ar-

what you want to hear

gentinians, though he offered a different method and began by emphasising his unwillingness to consider concessions. "I wouldn't vote for a councillor who would allow Argentine politicians into the Islands or let trade links develop. My personal view on the Argentine problem is that we should be looking for low level talks aimed at the public over there, along the lines of the Janet Robertson/



Rosemary King

Graham Bound lecture tour of a couple of years ago. If they are truly democratic the population could then put more internal pressure on their politicians to drop the claim."

Oil and its potential for securing the Islands' future was another subject high on the list of electors' concerns. Rodney Lee again. "If oil is found and a lot of money starts coming in I would like to see councillors spending it to make life better and more comfortable for everyone." He suggested subsidising many things in the Islands to help improve the quality of life for all Falklands' residents. "For example," he said, "if all FIGAS fares were £10 it would open up the Islands to everyone. It would make more sense," he added, "than just giving people lots of money which they would go away and spend elsewhere."

Rodney also has strong views on the claim made by the British Government for a share of any revenues. "I think we do owe Britain a lot and I would support candidates who don't have a problem with setting a formula now. I feel strongly that Britain should have a cut of the cake."

Gerald Cheek took a more cautious line. "We must have a government that will make sure any revenue from oil is not all frittered away," he said. "We must secure the future by making adequate investments for the Islands' use, and above all, keep our reserves safe." Gerald suggested prudence was also important when it comes to negotiating an agreed formula with Britain. "I doubt we have enough knowledge about such matters here

in the Islands," he said. "I think we need the best advice and expertise available before signing anything."

Less sure of what she would be looking for in candidates on this issue Rosemary King was even more cautious. "I believe this is one of the most difficult problems we face and, certainly, I don't have an answer." She was critical of Council's track record to date. "We've already had plenty of money to spend on capital projects but we still don't have an old people's home and an adequate Infant/Junior school." And, on the subject of a formula distribution of oil wealth to Britain Rosemary said simply, "I would not want my councillors to agree to a prearranged formula."

Camper Christopher May, of New House Farm, had similar thoughts. "Though I'm very keen on oil we have to remember it is still an unknown quantity. If it is there I would want councillors on LegCo who would spend the money from it wisely, initially, and by doing so secure our future." He was firmly against a pre-discovery formula agreement with Britain. "We should pay Britain if we can," he said, "but only after we have catered for our own future, then we could afford to be generous. My attitude is - don't give it away before you've got it."

Oil, and its potential riches, is not an issue for pensioner, Joe King, although he did have one concern. "I've no thoughts about oil," he said, "because what I haven't got I don't worry about, but I don't want back-up (support) services shared between ourselves and Argentina. That would be opening up the back door for them and if we let them come in here, we're lost."

Local issues electors are keen to hear opinions on from prospective councillors include such di-



Camper Christopher May

verse subjects as immigration, roads, housing and pensions. Some voters we spoke to are happy with Government performance in recent years, others less (and volubly) so.

Christopher May had some positive things to say. "It seems to me that government is doing things right at the moment - they've certainly done us pretty well. When assistance has been needed its been there, and we appreciate that."

On the debit side Rosemary

King asked, "I don't see why they should be talking about immigration. There are plenty of other things that come first like housing, the inadequacies of the Junior School, the dreadful state of the Islands' main artery - the MPA road, and so on." She felt she wanted to see candidates addressing what she sees as, "the main issues," and added, "if the manpower is not here to carry out the projects we need carried out then we should be bringing people in."

Another concern for Rosemary is the number of St Helenians at



Pensioner Joe King, "Don't open door one iota."

Mount Pleasant Airport who might be eligible to vote. As long as they are a transient work force, she said, who don't stay long enough to get on the electoral roll, she would have no problem but she would like a strong council to ensure that that is the case.

A final point Rosemary raised was the state of Camp, though not in an agricultural sense. "I'd like to see councillors getting involved in cleaning up the Camp," she said, "getting rid of the rubbish from the wars."

Perhaps unsurprisingly, Joe King had something to say about pensions. "I'll be looking for councillors who are interested in adding a few pounds to pensions," he said, "which wouldn't come amiss."

Speaking from Port Howard, Rodney Lee listed some of the topics he would be expecting candidates to include in their policy statements.

"Internal communications, like roads and a ferry across the Sound are becoming more and more important," he said. "I'd like to see Stanley residents have more access to Camp and Camp residents have easier access to Stanley."

Predictably agriculture featured strongly. "The one asset we have always had," he pointed out, "is the land. I'd like to see councillors develop that asset by putting more money into it. We import too many things we could produce ourselves - if the money was there to carry

out land development we could go a long way towards becoming more self-sufficient."

Rodney is keen to see candidates enquiring into how the electorate feel about immigration. "I think they should be asking constituents for their opinions on population numbers. Personally, I'd like to see an increase but not a huge one. We could quite comfortably increase the Falklands' family dramatically without affecting our way of life."

The Camper who wished to remain anonymous said that as far as local issues are concerned he will be casting his vote for the candidates that seem to him to be able to display integrity. "I am worried," he said, "that the Standards in Public Life thing has shut the stable door when the horse is already over the hill." He echoed Rodney Lee's point that public services and low taxes make the Islands a favourable place in which to live while he also deplored what he called, "petty arguments between councillors obstructing important projects. We should have a council that know how to pull together to get things done," he added, "and I'll be putting my mark against the names of the candidates who I think can do that."

Top of Gerald Cheek's local issue list is the MPA road. "My priority for councillors would be the road joining the capital to our international airport," he said. "It should never have been allowed to get into its current state. It's the same with some Stanley roads which are falling apart. Visiting tourists must think it's a mess."

He concluded by sounding a cautionary note and returning to foreign policy issues. "This next council's term will be very important for the Islands," he said, "with some major oil giants becoming involved. We must be careful not to get 'railroaded'. At the same time



Gerald Cheek, note of caution

we must watch the South Atlantic Council, who are allegedly a group of businessmen with interests in South America."

Finally he felt it important to have a council who continued to support the Falkland Islands Association. "There are some good people in the FIA," he said, "who do a lot of work for the Falkland Islands on a voluntary basis."

The Falkland Islands Community School

Community Classes

The Community School will be running the Evening Class Programme starting next week. In order to assist with the timetable I would ask that interested students register with the School by phone (27290) or fax (27148).

We hope to offer the following:

- English For Foreign Students
- English For Adult Literacy
- English for GCSE
- Mathematics For All Abilities
- Integrated Business Technology
- Portuguese - From Start To Basic Understanding, Speaking, Reading and Writing
- Spanish
- Art
- Woodwork
- Pastry Making

Tutors for new classes always welcome. Details of dates and times will be announced when demand for classes has been assessed

Stanley Co-operative Society

The following goods are also due to arrive on the M.V. Andreas Boye

- John West Salmon Fillets 170g
- John West Tuna Steaks in Brine 299g
- John West Tuna Chunks in Brine 200g
- John West Tuna Chunks in Springwater
- John West Tuna with Onion
- Radox 500g
- Cake Boards, Round & Square
- Cup-a-Soup Various
- Mushy Peas 300g
- Stergene 500ml
- Winalot Dog Food 390g
- Crunchy Bran 375g
- Midi & Jumbo St Crate
- H.S. Chopped Tomatoes 397g
- Purrfect Cat Food 400g
- KiteKat Cat Food 400g
- Arthur's Cat Food 390g
- Felix Cat Food 400g

- Beef & Kidney Pie 425g
- Chicken & Ham Pie 425g
- Chicken Pie 425g
- Bacon Grill 170g
- Bacon Grill 300g
- Hot Dog Sausages 10's
- Westler's Hot Dog Sausages 50's
- Westler's Hot Dog Sausages 20's
- Westlers Chicken Hot Dog Sausages 25's
- Westler's Chicken Burgers 12's
- Westler's Taco Shells 20's
- Westler's Frankfurters 14's
- Assorted Christmas Cards
- James Wellbeloved Cat Food
- Adult 750g & 3Kg
- Kitten 3 Kg
- Light 500g & 2Kg

That sinking feeling!

In an effort to raise funds for the Falkland Islands Motorcycle Association, FIMA member, Andrew Alazia invited general participation from Islands residents in a 'family day' Land Rover rally on Sunday September 13. The route comprised an overland journey from Moody Brook to Long Island mountain and back, with a £1 fine per bogging. Covering the event for Penguin News was Editor, Lisa Riddell, who dusted off her bumper jack, packed a long lens, and took to the hills on a Sunday drive with a difference.

UNDETERRED by the demoralising sight of 'blizzard' conditions on the first day of summer, around twenty vehicles and countless enthusiastic occupants gathered at Moody Brook on September 14, for the start of the 1997 'Landrover rally' to Long Island Mountain and back.

Despite the title of the event, the style of vehicles present differed considerably. While some drivers lounged in the relative luxury of Shoguns, Range Rovers and County Landrovers, the more adventurous types pounded on to the Two Sister's road in Lightweights and other oddly shaped contraptions, often clad in proportionately gigantic tyres and strangely unattractive paintwork. And, of this latter group, while some vehicles showed signs of reasonable maintenance, and a modicum of affection from their owners, others gave the appearance of having been acquired in return for a pint of lager and a packet of crisps on a Friday night in the Victory.

Mounted on motorcycle, the rally's organizer, Andrew Alazia (mode of transport chosen for its usefulness in speeding across the camp in search of stray and bogged rovers) gave a signal at approximately 9.20 for the convoy to move off. Despite instructions that 'this wasn't to be a race,' however, driver Sarah Gilding shot off in a flurry of snow and at a cheekily fast pace, provoking the more testosterone infused rally participants into covering the bumpy ground at speeds possibly not recommended for vehicles 'thrown together' the night before.

The track running adjacent to the Two Sister's road, claimed its first victims in minutes, but it was Bryn

Rozece who provided the earliest of dramas when his careworn lightweight ground to a halt in a BV rut just beyond the first gate. Two landrovers were required to successfully free the swamped vehicle from its watery problem, but, it became a victory soured, when Bryn and transport, having been hauled from the hole, forgot to stop and promptly became 'overly attached' to the rescuer.

A broken tow rope and a missing door later, the convoy approached Two Sisters Flats in a reasonably orderly queue, but one which rapidly disintegrated into three separate groups with the onset of the first few swamps. While a few Rovers drove with ill-advised optimism into the centre of the Flats, others were equally unlucky and became 'grounded' almost as soon as they left the ridge. The sensible few (author included, of course) quickly spotted that Ralph Harris, in his bright red ex-fire-station rover, appeared to be showing signs of familiarity with the ground and promptly followed him, to successfully cross the Flats and climb the opposite hill.

Lee Clement was the next participant to provide a satisfying side show for observers, when he obligingly drove his lightweight landrover over the side of a steeply banked pond. The first attempt at towing it out, however, left those watching, and most probably the driver also, experiencing some distinctly uncomfortable feelings when the vehicle appeared on the verge of rolling entirely into the pond. After much scratching of heads, chopping away of the bank, and some fairly incomprehensible words of advice from Scots-

man, Steve Watt, Lee's transport emerged, but not without some damage to a spring.

The far side of Corner Pass brought with it a performance of 'mind-blowing lunacy' (as one watcher described it) from the younger lads, when one bright spark accidentally discovered that driving very quickly up an almost vertical rise will result in the landrover leaping over the top on its back wheels. One by one they performed their jumps for appreciative photographers, a few going back for another

go, 'just for the fun of it'

The 'Caravan track' to Long Island Mountain (route chosen by Andrew Alazia for its extreme bogginess) meant a regularly repeated race for gateways as drivers soon discovered that being last through a limited space meant encountering gallons of well-churned mud.

Having survived these problems, however, it must be said that many drivers, (gleefully led by seemingly unsinkable farmer, Tony Heathman) then fell victim to the pre-Turner

Stream peat banks (well known for their landrover claiming qualities) before a burst of speed up the shoulder of Long Island Mountain, to where the farm's owner, Neil Watson, sat observing the whole sorry mess.

Finally, Penguin News are able to report that all vehicles made it to the mountain, and most returned to Stanley. 110 boggings were counted and more than £110 raised, thanks to some conveniently dreadful driving and the generosity of drivers and passengers.



Top right: 'Pond life' by Lee Clement. Lee and Ged discover a novel way of solving 'engine overheating' problems.

Left: The Sackett/Clifton team are convinced they have some sort of problem, but need Andrew to explain the situation. Situation solved with a shove from Clement!

Right: Glynis and gang consider selling the landrover to pay the bogging fines!

Below (right) Two Sisters Flats claim one of many victims.

Below left: Sackett attempts to save Rozece, but gets that sinking feeling himself.

Bottom: Left a bit, right a bit. David Thorsen directs Turner Stream traffic across recently rescued bridges.



Below: "Go West young man!" says the 'almost unsinkable' Tony Heathman. (Later to be rescued by the 'totally unsinkable' Penguin News Editor)



Bryn "my doors are in the back" Rozece, makes it to Long Island Mountain - minus three doors, two windscreen wipers, a front seat and his co-driver. Bryn's vehicle also made it back to Stanley despite having broken in half.



Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

11.00 LOTTE A drama from Belgium about Lottie who is deaf
 11.15 TINY TOON ADVENTURES
 11.35 MY DAD'S A BORING NERD
 12.00 LADY JANE Historical Drama. On the death of Henry VIII. the throne of England passes to the ailing Edward VI
 2.15 GAMBLING FOR GORILLAS
 3.05 DAD'S ARMY
 3.35 GREAT JOURNEYS Actress Juliet Stevenson retraces the steps of French writer Isabelle Eberhardt through Morocco
 4.30 SURVIVE THE SAVAGE SEA Nautical drama
 5.55 WIPEOUT
 6.30 TOP OF THE POPS
 7.00 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN There's a new superhero in town
 7.45 CONFESSIONS
 8.30 FILM: RAISING CAIN Hitchcockian thriller, starring John Lithgow. Child psychologist Carter Nix is a man with a mission.
 10.00 DIRTY ROTTEN SCOUNDRELS

SUNDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

10.50 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.05 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.30 THE BIG BANG
 11.40 BLUE PETER (Repeat) Katy Hill's video diary of a week spent living with a family in Xilinhot, Inner Mongolia
 12.05 BIG BREAK STARS OF THE FUTURE
 12.35 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.10 HOT GADGETS
 1.40 THE CHART SHOW
 2.20 BROOKSIDE Mick and Elaine finally have to face the consequences of their actions.
 3.30 AS TIME GOES BY (New)
 4.00 THE GREAT ANTIQUES HUNT This week's edition comes from Sussex
 4.45 SMALL TALK
 5.15 WILDLIFE ON ONE
 5.45 THE BEST OF LES DAWSON
 6.15 THE DEEP Tonight, a look at the creatures that live two miles beneath the surface of the ocean
 7.05 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.35 SURPRISE, SURPRISE
 8.30 FILM: DAVE (1993.15) Dave runs an employment agency and bears such a striking resemblance to the President of the US that he is occasionally called upon to do impersonations
 10.15 FRIENDS: US comedy series
 10.40 HUNGERFORD TEN YEARS ON
 11.30 IT'S JUST NOT CRICKET WITH RORY BREMNER

MONDAY 22TH SEPTEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Lou's dubious dealing is revealed, and Darren has a proposal for Libby
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 TRACKS
 3.25 GARDEN PARTY
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
 4.00 MORPH TV WITH TONY HART
 4.15 CARTOON CRITTERS
 4.40 WOOF!
 5.10 ACTIV-8
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY The police try to get Anna before she takes off with Paul. Joey tries to express his feelings to Tiegan
 5.55 TOP GEAR (New)
 6.25 MASTERMIND
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Vera resorts to drastic measures. Gary stakes his claim on baby Katie
 7.45 THE BILL Warnings: The apparent sighting of a missing woman by her daughter leads Dana and Boyden to a sinister discovery in a scrapyard
 8.10 PAUL MERTON IN GALTON & SIMPSON'S (New) Visiting Day
 8.35 AIRPORT
 9.05 McCALLUM Dr Iain McCallum discovers disturbing irregularities at Charlie Kelly's post mortem
 10.00 FILM '97 (New)
 10.30 BLACK BOX Deadly Weather: A series on the work of air crash detectives. Tonight's programme focuses on the biggest area on unpredictability in air safety - the weather
 11.20 FOOTBALL LEAGUE REVIEW

TUESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Libby makes a big decision. Mal decides to travel solo and Anne is in love
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 THE PRACTICE Life in a busy doctor's surgery
 3.20 CHANGING ROOMS
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: TICKETY BOO
 4.00 ZOT THE DOG
 4.10 TO ME TO YOU
 4.35 THE THUNDERLIZARDS
 4.50 BLUE PETER (New)
 5.15 SNAP!

5.40 HOME AND AWAY Selina and Jesse are forced to admit that Rachel is missing Kylie. Tim has a proposal for Sally
 6.00 AUNTIE'S SPORTING BLOOMERS (New)
 6.30 EMMERDALE Sparks fly when Ned confronts Rachel and Jack. Lisa gives Zak a piece of her mind
 6.55 SCENE HERE Presented by Richard Astbury
 7.25 EASTENDERS Grant is determined to keep events in Paris a secret from Peggy
 7.55 999
 8.45 SELECTION BOXES
 9.20 PRESTON FRONT Mr Wang's cinema advert has attracted a celebrity to Roker Bridge - or so it seems...
 10.00 BREAKING THE NEWS (New) Documentary series about the history of television journalism in America. Russia and Britain
 10.50 CLASSIC ALBUMS Tonight, Paul Simon's Graceland
 11.50 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Mal bids a sad farewell to Ramsay Street as romance finally blossoms for Billy and Anne. Is Darren running into trouble?
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 HOME GROUND
 3.25 WHEEL OF FORTUNE
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: OZZIE THE OWL.
 4.00 RUGRATS
 4.30 CAPTAIN STAR
 4.55 RUN THE RISK
 5.15 ROUND THE TWIST
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Casey is intrigued by an old rival
 6.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD (New)
 6.30 EMMERDALE The 'Spice Girls' rehearsal doesn't go as planned. Marlon has some harsh words for the happy couple
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Mavis has devastating news for Rita. Will Zoe leave Katie with the Malletts?
 7.45 THE BILL Calling Time: A pub landlord is run over after giving Boulton information
 8.10 CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
 8.40 FRIENDS
 9.05 AIN'T MISBEHAVIN' Comedy drama series set in World War Two Britain, starring Robson Green and Jerome Flynn
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 FILM: WHITE MEN CAN'T JUMP (1992.15) Sports comedy drama starring Wesley Snipes and Woody Harrelson
 12.20 THE INTERNATIONAL MATCH England v Moldova

THURSDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Billy receives a blast from the past. Philip and Ruth find it impossible to be alone. Toadie warns Tim to back off
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 THE CALL OF THE SEA
 3.35 GLORIA'S TIME OFF WITH...Cilla Black
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 4.00 BANANAMAN
 4.05 THE TREACLE PEOPLE
 4.20 REBOOT (New)
 4.45 BLUE PETER
 5.10 RETURN TO JUPITER
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Marilyn prays for a baby. The rift grows between Travis and Aaron. And Lachie tells Shannon to stop playing games
 5.55 MASTERCHEF
 6.30 EMMERDALE Albert gets nervous as the wedding day draws closer
 6.55 RONNIE BARKER - A LIFE IN COMEDY
 7.25 EASTENDERS Irene learns some very interesting information about Tony when Peggy invites her to the Queen Vic
 7.55 TIGER BAY (New) Drama series set among a cosmopolitan community in Cardiff's docklands
 8.25 GET FIT WITH BRITTAS (New)
 8.35 3D Today, a report on six couples on a course to improve their marriages through communication
 9.00 SMITH & JONES (New)
 9.30 ROOM 101 (New) Tonight, Jeremy Clarkson
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 THIS LIFE Anna's world is falling apart and Miles offers a shoulder to cry on
 11.15 EVERYMAN - A CANDLE FOR MOTHER TERESA
 12.05 EUROTRASH Antoine de Caunes presents alternative European culture

FRIDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Tim plays truant to avoid the rumours at school. Lou loses out on a business deal
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 COMEDY CLASSIC: YES, PRIME MINISTER
 3.25 PULLING POWER James Allen looks at the sport of tractor pulling, while Emma Lee tries her driving skills at Silverstone
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: DINOBABIES
 4.15 RUPERT
 4.40 TRANSYLVANIA PET SHOP
 5.05 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
 5.15 THE BIZ (Repeat)
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Shannon and Lachie are having communication problems. Kylie seeks legal custody of Rachel. And trouble awaits Mr Fisher
 6.00 SPACE CADETS

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

6.25 STARSTRUCK
 6.55 SCENE HERE
 7.25 EASTENDERS After keeping an important appointment, Bianca finally tells Ricky why she has not been herself
 7.55 CATHERINE COOKSON'S THE WINGLESS BIRD (New)
 8.40 SEE YOU FRIDAY (New)
 9.05 THE MAN WHO MADE HUSBANDS JEALOUS (New)
 10.00 RAB C NESBITT (New)
 10.30 BODYGUARDS
 11.20 TFI FRIDAY

SATURDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER

10.15 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE
 10.40 GARFIELD AND FRIENDS
 10.55 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 11.20 ELIDOR Roland encounters a bizarre computer game at a friend's house
 11.45 RUN THE RISK
 12.15 THE O-ZONE
 12.35 FRAGILE KINGDOMS Drawn to the Wild
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Tennis from Bournemouth; three-day eventing from Bughley; Racing from Goodwood; IAAF Grand Prix athletics from Japan; Cricket Focus, and a full round-up of the rest of the days sporting events
 6.30 TOP OF THE POPS
 7.00 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN
 7.45 CONFESSIONS
 8.25 CASUALTY (New)
 9.15 IT'S ULRICA
 9.45 THEY WHO DARE White-water diving in the Alps

10.00 LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY Highlights from two of the day's top FA Carling Premiership matches, plus a round-up of all the goals, news and talking points

SUNDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

10.50 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.05 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.30 BLUE PETER
 11.55 BIG BREAK STARS OF THE FUTURE
 12.25 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.00 HOT GADGETS
 1.30 THE CHART SHOW
 2.20 BROOKSIDE
 3.30 AS TIME GOES BY
 4.00 THE GREAT ANTIQUES HUNT From Tenby
 4.45 SMALL TALK
 5.15 WILDLIFE ON ONE Piranha
 5.45 THE BEST OF LES DAWSON
 6.15 THE DEEP
 7.10 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.40 THE BLIND DATE EXCLUSIVE
 8.35 HEARTBEAT (New)
 9.25 FILM
 11.10 FRIENDS US comedy series
 11.35 MERCURY MUSIC PRIZE

The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY September 20

6.00 News BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Staying Single
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 Murder at the Vicarage 2/5
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY September 21

5.00 News BFBS
 5.03 Music fill
 5.15 The Archers Omnibus
 6.00 News BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.15 The Final Sweepstake
 6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service- Cathedral
 8.00 Sports Roundup
 8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didlick
 8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.00 News Desk
 9.30 Juste Plaine Madness
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

MONDAY September 22

10.03 Morning show - Chris

12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The Late Afternoon Show
 6.00 Country Crossroads
 6.30 The Grumbleweeds
 7.00 From Hoplite to Harrier
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 BBC Story of Pop
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 Boogie up the River
 10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY September 23

10.03 Morning Show - Chris
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Review of CD's of the week
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 St News
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert -Lightning Seeds
 7.30 News and Sports
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Venom
 8.30 Paths of Inspiration

9.00 News desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 9.00 The Human Child
 9.30 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS
WEDNESDAY September 24
 10.03 Morning show - Chris
 12.00 News BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 B.F.B.S Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Late Afternoon Show
 5.45 The Folk Show Rpt
 6.30 Just a minute
 7.00 Sad Cypress
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Classic Concerts
 9.00 News Desk from BBC
 9.28 Rpt. weather & flights
 9.30 Listen with Les
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News from BFBS

THURSDAY September 25

10.03 Morning Show - Chris
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Annos
 B.F.B.S Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Music Fill
 5.30 On Stage: Tom Jones
 6.30 Memories are made of this -

with Tony Burnett
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Pot Luck with Myriam
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt weather and Flights
 9.30 Cont. with Pot Luck
 10.00 News BFBS
FRIDAY September 26
 10.03 Morning Show - Chris
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Announcements.
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The late afternoon show
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 The late afternoon show - cont
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 Headbangers Ball
 7.30 Five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights Annos
 8.30 Rpt News Magazine
 8.00 Announcers half hour
 8.30 Country Crossroads
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 Music Fill
 10.00 News B.F.B.S.
 All programmes are subject to change. Any changes will be broadcast on FIBS

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SATURDAY

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SUNDAY

0000 News & Weekend World - Jamie Gordon 0200 TNews 7 UK Music Week - Gary King 0400 News & Bob Harris 0700 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0800 Steve McQueen 1003 UK Music Week 1200 Lunchtime Show 1400 News & Weekend Word - Jamie Gordon 1600 Bob Harris 1900 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 2100 News & Essential selection 2200 News & London Tonight

MONDAY

0000 London tonight continued 0100 News & Gold - Dave Windsor 0200 Today Programme - Radio 4 0300 News & Gold - Dave Windsor 0400 News & Essential selection 0500 News & early breakfast from London 0600 The Breakfast Show Dusty Miller 0900 Dave Windsor-Gold 1000 News & FIBS Morning Show 1200 News 3" FIBS Announcements 1215 The Archers 1230 BFBS Reports 1300 Newsplus 1330 Sid Olivera 1603 Essential selection 1703 Connect UK - Andy Wright 1900 Evening show 2100 News & Rock Show 2300 News & London Tonight

TUESDAY

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Doctor on Horseback... A true story of the Falkland Islands in the 1940's by Dr B (Tom) Hopwood

North or South, and Paradise lost!

BY 1946, a new Senior Medical Officer had arrived and he visited us in Fox Bay. His Canadian predecessor (of the blankets and the post-mortem) left unheralded on promotion to the South Seas. The new man was much more affable and socially inclined and certainly seemed an improvement.

By this time, we had more-or-less completed our tour in the West and our last few months were spent in euphoric contemplation of a return to the real world of Port Stanley, with its population of perhaps one thousand five hundred people. Gosh!

I had not previously visited Port Stephens, the furthest most southerly point in the Islands, until the Robertsons were transferred there from Pebble Island. Since I had spent a week with them, at the very beginning of our time in Fox Bay, I regarded them as old friends.

This time it was the manager's wife, Nan Robertson, who had a problem. She was an Australian, though I can't remember whether her husband was or not. He certainly had the figure for it and wore large hats. Nan was a character all right, for formal occasions, which were virtually non-existent, tended to unnerve her a little. She had been known, for instance, to turn up with only one rouged and powdered cheek.

Rather late one night, an apologetic but worried Charlie Robertson rang to say his wife had a high temperature, with what sounded like a nasty infection of her left thigh. I knew too she was the last one to make a fuss, so I made preparations to ride the following morning.

The ride would take five or six hours - as long as the weather held.

Early the next morning, just as I was about to start on the ride to Port Stephens, Douglas Pole-Evans called to say that his father had had a very nasty fall late the night before and had come down heavily on the iron fender in the office.

Now Port Howard was five or six hours' ride to the north and Port Stephens five or six hours' ride in the diametrically opposite direction. This dilemma I had often thought about, but had not before actually been faced with it.

I queried Douglas very carefully about his father's symptoms and judged that, at worst, he might have cracked a rib but had probably not broken it. I got him to write down carefully exactly how to strap his father's chest to reduce movement to a minimum. Eventually I was satisfied that he knew how to do it. Then almost as an afterthought, I said, "Oh, Douglas, you still have about half a bottle of Tincture of Opium left, you

know, the stuff you gave old Jim Simpson."

"Yes, I remember."
"Right, if you give him fifteen drops of that, it should ease the pain and he should sleep well."

Then I added, "I am just about to ride to Port Stephens to see Nan Robertson and I may well be away for a week or so. I don't think the telephone from Port Howard would reach Port Stephens very well so, if you need anything, you could get the Wireless Operator to send a message. In any case, I will get in touch with you as soon as I get back."

Not really a very satisfactory solution, but I was pretty sure the old man would be all right, especially after a few day's rest. The ride to Port Stephens was pretty dreary, the land being flat and uninteresting, but the weather was good and it was merely a matter of riding out the hours.

The Robertsons were their usual hospitable selves and Nan progressed well. She was actually the first patient to be treated with Sulphonamides on the West Falklands.

I had been quite shocked when I first arrived to find that the stock of M&B tablets was so very limited. I had been accustomed to use them without much thought in Whipps Cross Hospital, especially for Lobar Pneumonia. Later, in Stanley, their use was jealously guarded. The odd sailor with Gonorrhoea was reluctantly treated, being regarded as unworthy and his complaint more or less self-inflicted. Even then, we had one or two cases from Buenos Aires who showed resistance to the drug.

My stay in Port Stephens was all the pleasanter because the Fitzroy was due and I could take passage as far as Chartres on the Luxton Estate and ride home from there. When we left the creek protecting Port Stephens, we ran into the worst weather I had so far encountered on the Fitzroy and, even after a mammoth breakfast (I don't remember whether it included fried brains), I was only slightly queasy for half-an-hour or so.

On the way to Chartres, we called at New Island, one of the smallest of the inhabited Islands but also one of the most attractive. The Fitzroy anchored in the small but beautifully symmetrical bay in the lee of a rounded hill.

At night, the ship went on loading under a searchlight and this lit up the hill, which suddenly turned into a Christmas tree with flickering lights. The hill was the home of hundreds of small birds living in holes in the ground. They had fluorescent wings and evidently the light caused them to flutter from one hold to the next. Whatever the reason, the result was

magical and a sight to be seen.

New Island was also the home of masses of penguins as constantly entertaining as the birds. There was a colony of King Penguins and I suppose now, with the Falkland Islands unbelievably on the tourist circuit, New Island must be a high spot, if not the high spot, for the adventurous tourist. If it isn't it certainly should be.

One family only lived on the island and had lived there in total isolation without visiting the mainland for sixteen years. An idyllic existence as long as it lasted, but there were two daughters and so, when eventually the inevitable happened and the family entered the hurly-burly of life in Port Stanley, the result was a social worker's nightmare. All this happened much later, after we had left to return to Europe, but at the time it was as near to Paradise as one could imagine. Hell, it seems, is always just around the corner.

When I disembarked at Chartres, I was able to speak to Port Howard on the phone. I had not had much doubt that old Pole-Evans would have recovered, but I was relieved to get confirmation from his son Douglas.

"He's very much better, Doctor. He says he can't manage without the strapping, which he won't

let me take off. I think he can - he hardly ever remembers to say it's hurting."

"Well, that's fine, Douglas, I should just leave it. It'll come off in the bath before too long."

"Oh! He hasn't had a bath since it happened."

"Right, so you'd better tell him I said he was to have one now or he might finish up with dermatitis."

Then I remembered he had used some of the Tincture of Opium and I kept a check on those sort of drugs. So I said, "By the way, Douglas, how much Tincture of Opium do you have left in the cupboard?"

At this, he became a bit evasive. He said he wasn't sure, but probably about the same as when I had last looked in the cupboard. Then a thought slipped into my mind.

"Douglas, how many drops did you give your father?" All roundheads and cavaliers!

"Well, er," he began to stutter. "Not much, well actually, I didn't give him any at all."

"Why ever not?"
"I didn't like to!"
"What?"

"Well, Doc, I was afraid to. You remember what happened to poor old Jim Simpson!"

The Internet - Part 1 of 4 by Nikki Buxton



The internet doesn't byte!

AS the Islands are soon to have an Internet service provided by Cable & Wireless, Nikki Buxton of Synergy Information Systems Ltd. felt it timely to explain a little about the Internet to those 'not in the know.'

The Internet is a collection of thousands of computer networks throughout the world. These networks are called Wide Area Networks (WAN) which join distant sites through Service Providers (here in the Falklands, Cable & Wireless). Members of the public or businesses can join these networks in exchange for a small charge. The computers used vary from giant supercomputers to desktop PC's, MACS, Amigas, etc. There is no central governing body of the Internet, but there is an Internet Society that was designed to co-ordinate and standardise the rules of operation.

The equipment used to access the Internet are a computer, a mo-

dem, and a phone connection. A modem is a device which converts digital signals from a computer into analogue ones for transmission over the phone lines, and vice versa. The faster the modem, the lower your phone bills, as you can access the information on the Internet quicker. Here in the Falklands, we are also dependent on the speed of transmission through the satellite.

There are two types of modems - internal and external. If you want an external modem, you must have an unused serial port on the back of the computer to plug it into. These ports (called COM ports) might already have a mouse attached. Internal modems are cards which plug into the motherboard of your computer, leaving the serial port free, and allowing slightly faster access time.

Next week, we'll explore the World Wide Web and talk about e-mail and data transfer.

Softness and savagery

The Pink Shop presents an exhibition of John Smith paintings depicting the Falkland Islands

THIS Saturday, September 20, (at 9.30am) the Pink Shop, on Fitzroy Road, is hosting a major exhibition displaying the works of a local artist for the second time in two weeks.

On September 13 Mike Peake enjoyed phenomenal success with his exhibition - every one of the paintings on show selling within minutes. Now it's the turn of John Smith, a painter of many years standing who has enjoyed considerable success in the past but is perhaps better known in his role of Museum Curator.

In contrast to Mike, who paints in oils, John has developed his art in the medium known as acrylics; "a refined version of emulsion." John explained when *Penguin News* visited his studio on Ross Road West for a preview of the paintings John will be exhibiting this weekend.

"Acrylic paint is water based," John went on, "is as tough as old boots, dries quickly and you can go over it again and again, so you can produce very delicate evening colours, like a sunset sky, and fiery, lumpy stuff like rocks and mountains in the same picture."

Certainly John's paintings tend to reflect his love of the sea and the fleetingly lovely hues of early morning or late evening. To capture the beauty of a particular moment in a place of such swift weather changes is not easy, and to help him John always carries a sketch book, but not necessarily to draw.

His method is to observe, section the page into a template with pencil lines and then note, in words, the colour and texture of each section together with the names and positions of ships or other objects, wind strengths, tides and so on. Finally, once back in his studio - where he does all his painting - he relies heavily on memory to translate the notes into an actual picture.

He is very much a 'mood' painter and takes up his brushes intermittently, consequently a picture might sit on his easel for a week or up to a month before being completed. He will frequently apply coat on coat of acrylic be-



Right: Linford Creek House on the North coast of East Falkland
Left: The approach to South Georgia, the whaling station of Grytviken huddling beneath, and dwarfed by, snow-capped mountains



fore being satisfied that he has achieved just the shade his mind's eye recorded perhaps weeks earlier.

John Smith arrived in the Falkland Islands in 1958, an ex-national service Royal Marine who then spent two and a half years working for the British Antarctic Survey. It was during this time that he decided the Islands had much to offer and made his home in Stanley.

He has, he says, been painting for more than twenty years so it is a little surprising that this will be his first exhibition and that his house is not over-flowing with paintings. Both these circumstances stem from natural demand. Many of his paintings have been given away over the years, others sold or auctioned. One of these was a painting of an RAF Hercules in flight which raised £400 for charity.

Indeed, selling paintings to raise cash for worthy causes is not new for John. In 1989 an orphaned Rumanian boy was found abandoned in that strife-ridden country. He was, in John's own words, "hideously disfigured," and has been undergoing a long series of operations and is slowly improving. John takes quiet pleasure from the knowledge that money from the sale of some of his paintings has helped the boy.

Despite the somewhat 'private' nature of John's painting he has had some very public successes in the past. There have been two post-

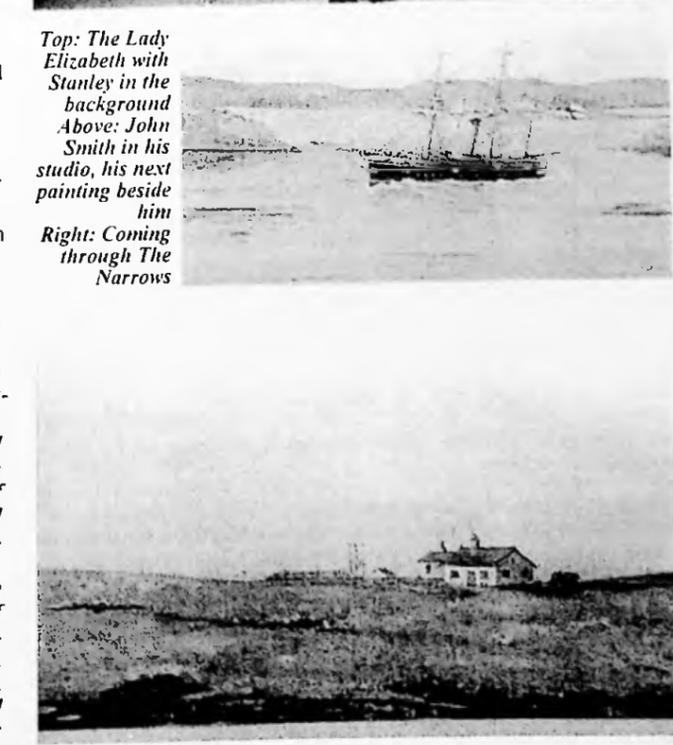
Dwarf in the Falkland Islands in 1881 and 1882) and was co-written by Rear Admiral C. H. Layman CD DSO LVO, and our own Jane Cameron.

The pictures John Smith paints are unique in that they portray the Falklands of today but can also bring to life dramatic tragedies of a hard and unforgiving past, as in the impressively lifelike *Wreck of the St Mary*. They are a blend of the softness and savagery of the Islands. Some, like John's *HMS Opposum*, contain images that virtually explode off the canvas while others capture the elusive ephemeral quality of the Falklands.

They are pictures that have been executed with great technical skill and reflect one man's very personal view of the Falklands. As such, they are very well worth seeing. I urge you to. The Pink Shop, this Saturday, September 20, doors open at 9.30am.



Top: The Lady Elizabeth with Stanley in the background
Above: John Smith in his studio, his next painting beside him
Right: Coming through The Narrows



Children's travel safety

WE have been concerned about the number of children travelling unsecured in vehicles. This was recently highlighted by an accident where a child was fortunate not to be injured while travelling in its mother's arms in the front seat of a vehicle involved in a collision.

We would like to remind all people who look after children that they should not be allowed

to travel in the front seat of a car or rover, and should be secured in a baby or child seat which has been fitted into the vehicle according to the safety instructions.

Car seats meeting British safety standards can be bought from Stanley Services, Celebrations and Mail Order Catalogues.

From the Primary Health Care Team KEMH

NOTICE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

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

Reference No.	Applicant	Development
104/97/PB	Mr L Halliday	Erection of a single storey dwelling at 31 Ross Road East, Stanley
105/97/P	KTV Ltd.	Siting of a 20m stayed mast, 4.8m parabolic dish antenna, 3x2x2m equipment cabin and a 2.5m security perimeter fence at the back of Brisbane Road, Stanley
106/97/P	Fortuna Ltd	Erection of a two storey building to contain one, two and three bedroom flats on John Street, Stanley
107/97/P	F.I.D.C.	To level and cover areas with aggregate for additional parking at Lookout Industrial Estate, Stanley
108/97/PB	Royal F.I. Police	Change of use of workshop to garage at the Police Headquarters, Ross Road, Stanley
109/97/B	Royal F.I. Police	Temporary siting of Portakabin to serve as prison workshop and store at Police Headquarters, Ross Road, Stanley
93/94/R97	Mr Fiddes	Renewal of temporary planning permission for siting of Portakabin for use as temporary Office at 4 Moody Street, Stanley
5/93/R97	Mr B Claxton	Renewal of temporary planning permission for two Portakabins with dual pitched roof-over at Plot 1, Lookout Industrial Estate, Stanley
110/97/PB	Royal F.I. Police	Temporary siting of Portakabin for use as gymnasium at the Police Headquarters, Ross Road, Stanley
52/95/R97	F.I.D.C.	Renewal of temporary planning permission for the siting of a Portakabin for use as a retail outlet at Plot 8, Lookout Industrial Estate, Stanley
53/95/R97	F.I.D.C.	Renewal of temporary planning permission for the siting of a Portakabin for use as a retail outlet at Plot 3, Lookout Industrial Estate, Stanley
111/97/PB	Mrs Shirley Peters	Siting of a Portakabin for use as dwelling at 58 Davis Street, Stanley
112/97/PB	Mr N McKay	Extension to conservatory at 62 Davis Street, Stanley
60/96/DP	Stanley Services Ltd	Extension to warehouse at the Fuel Terminal, FIPASS Road, Stanley
130/92/R97	Mr & Mrs A Villalon	Renewal of temporary planning permission for the siting of a Portakabin for use as temporary accommodation at 7 McKay Close, Stanley
113/97/PB	Mr Roy Davis	Extension of existing Portakabin with domestic garage at 6 Narrows View, Stanley
114/97/PB	Mr Malcolm Anthony	Construction of a porch at 14 Murray Heights Mobile Park, Stanley
115/97/PB	Cable & Wireless Plc	Temporary siting of a Portakabin at Cable and Wireless Stores, Gordon Lines, Stanley
116/97/PB	The F.I. Museum	Siting of a Portable Toilet Unit at The Museum, Holdfast Road, Stanley
117/97/P	F.I.G.	Outline application for the siting of an Accommodation Camp for 60 persons at the F.I.D.C. Offices, Airport Road, Stanley

These applications may be inspected during normal office hours at the office of the Secretary of the Planning and Building Committee, Environmental Planning Office, Malvina Paddock, Stanley. Comments on the applications should be made in writing and should be sent to the Environmental Planning Officer, Environmental Planning Office, PO Box 611, Stanley, within 10 days of the date of this notice.

The next Planning and Building Committee is due to be held on 2 October 1997 in the Liberation Room, Secretariat commencing at 1.30 pm. Members of the Public may attend to observe the workings of the Committee.

News from South America

Provided by Mercopress



ELEVEN FATAL CASES OF HANTA VIRUS IN CHILE

SANTIAGO (MP) - Chilean health authorities confirmed the death of at least eleven people infected with Hanta virus, a deadly disease transmitted by wild rodents which has severe and on occasions, fulminating respiratory and vascular consequences. Four other deaths in remote Chilean rural areas are under forensic scrutiny to check if they were also caused by the deadly virus. Blood and other samples have been sent to Argentina for analysis.

In Santiago, President Eduardo Frei named a special Sanitary monitoring committee to keep track of the disease which was first reported in southern Chile in 1995. The Argentine Patagonia has also suffered from the disease which is quite common in New Mexico, United States and several Asian countries. Most cases reported have been among farm labourers living in poor conditions, and according to experts humans are taken over by the virus after having been in contact or inhaling infected mice excreta or fluids. It's not clear yet if infected humans can transmit the disease.

Nevertheless one of the last cases reported was a child in La Serena, one of the upper class districts of Santiago. To avoid surprises Peru has established strict sanitary controls in its border with Chile. By the end of the year Chile expects to have its own laboratory to determine Hanta virus symptoms. At present analysis must be sent overseas or to Argentina.

A CHINESE SEAMAN ESCAPES FROM KOREAN FISHING VESSEL

PUNTA ARENAS (MP) - A Chinese seaman who until a few weeks ago was a member of a Korean fishing vessel crew emerged in Punta Arenas where he was found hiding as a stowaway on a factory ship. Young Zheng Song Cui, 28, said he had fled from the Korean vessel while it was moored in Mar del Plata, fearing for his life after having been repeatedly beaten and ill treated by officers and other crew members.

"I only wish to return home", said Zheng Song Cui.

Chilean authorities have said that the Chinese seaman must remain on board the "Biyo" a cold storage vessel with Croatian officers and Philippine crew, until it reaches Valparaiso where he will be questioned by maritime and law enforcement authorities before being deported to China.

Zheng Song Cui, who speaks no English or Spanish managed to say he has only words of grati-

tude for the crew members of the "Biyo" who discovered him on board but had since treated him with great kindness.

FISHERIES SUMMIT AT THE VIGO EXHIBITION

VIGO (MP) - Delegations from at least fifty different countries are participating in the III Ministerial Conference on Fisheries which is being held in the island of A Toxa, in the north west of Spain, just a few miles from Vigo, where the World's Fisheries main Exhibition is also taking place.

The meeting was inaugurated by Manuel Fraga, president of the Xunta de Galicia, where most of Spain's fishing industry is located and will conclude with a speech from Emma Bonino, the European Union Commissar on Fisheries.

Among the main points in the agenda is the enforcement of a common international sustainable fisheries policy, which as the British delegate Elliot Morley said, is essential "to preserve the livelihood of fishermen, the marine environment and world resources". Morley also demanded a new Common Fisheries Policy for Europe and a greater involvement of local fishing industries in the enforcement of any policy.

The Spanish delegation suggested a "closer and more synchro-nised" commercial and conservation fisheries world policy to ensure resources.

Argentina is not participating in the fisheries summit because of a dispute with Spain over a trawler arrested in the South Atlantic last May. Argentina authorities are demanding a one million dollars bail, but Spaniards refuse to pay.

Spain and Argentina have very close fishing links: both countries share 44 joint ventures with 83 vessels in the South Atlantic.

LATIN AMERICAN PARLIAMENT CONCERNED OVER SOUTH ATLANTIC

PANAMA (MP) - The Committee on Environment of the Latin American Parliament which met during three days in Panama expressed its concern over the conservation of fisheries resources in the South Atlantic and proposed a common "sovereignty" in the area to ensure "a suitable exploitation in the interests of Latin America".

The conclusions of the meeting which are only assertive, also included a proposal to all Latin American country members to extend the economic zone beyond the 200 miles to preserve fisheries resources and the future of coastal countries, mainly from the industrialised countries "violently depredation".



Introducing Penguin Profile Part 2: from the Environmental Research Unit PO Box 434

IN most penguin species, the males usually arrive at the nest site to commence breeding a few days before the females. In order to understand the reasoning behind this, we must examine courtship behaviour that has more complexities than town hall disco night.

Contrary to popular belief, penguins are not faithful for life, and most species change partners. It is in fact the males which are the most faithful to their partners, and when they arrive at the nest site at the start of the breeding season, they generally wait for their previous year's partner to return. If however the female arrives first, and cannot find her previous partner, she will readily mate with any other unpaired male who happens to be nearby.

The reason for this discrepancy is that in most species there are more males than females, and it is therefore very much easier for a female to find a new partner than the male. From the female's point of view, it makes no sense to wait around for her old mate, who may not turn up anyway if he died, when there are plenty of other

males eager to take his place. Choosing another mate is her best strategy for reproduction.

From the male's point of view, it is important to arrive at the nest site before the female to ensure that he does not lose her to another male. A male arriving late that loses his partner is unlikely to find another unattached female, and therefore is likely to miss out on breeding that season, and possible subsequent seasons.

To further complicate matters, females who do arrive at the nest site first, may well copulate with another male, only to reform her partnership with the previous year's partner when he finally appears. This leaves her unsuspecting partner to incubate and rear the offspring of another male. This is an added incentive for the male to arrive first, to ensure that his partner does not attempt to copulate with any other males. It's enough to put the scrip writers of Coronation street to shame, isn't it?

And now a question: Can penguins store enough oxygen to make deep dives? Answer in Penguin Profile: 3

Public Notice

A fully qualified Geography Teacher is required for the Falkland Islands Community School in January 1998. Salary will commence at £21,336 per annum in Grade C for a teacher with three years experience.

For further details of the position contact the Headteacher of the community School, Mr David Higgins, during normal school hours.

Application forms are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4pm on Tuesday 23rd September 1997.

The Secretariat
Stanley

Public Notice

An experienced Reception Teacher is required for Stanley Infant/Junior School in January 1998. Salary will commence at £21,336 per annum in grade C for a teacher with three years experience.

For further details of the position contact the Headteacher of the Infant/Junior School, Mrs Jean Smith, at the school on or after Wednesday 17th September 1997.

Application forms are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4pm on Tuesday 23rd September 1997.

The Secretariat
Stanley

UKFIT meet

AT a recent quarterly meeting of the United Kingdom branch of the Falkland Islands Trust, consultant, Dr McAdam, reported on the long term forestry project in the Falklands, which he said was 'progressing satisfactorily,' and stressed the need for regular maintenance and preparation for the proposed 1998 planting programme. It was also noted that the production of a joint Department of Agriculture/UK Falkland Islands Trust tree planting booklet for farmers was in the draft stage.

Reviewing the agriculture programme, David Strickland, explained work on the vegetable tri-

als, soil erosion and tussac issues, together with the joint planning of projects with the Department of Agriculture.

The Trustees went on to agree a suggestion from Tim Miller, of the local Falkland subcommittee, that the Trust should undertake research into possible cereal/winter food stuffs for proposed beef cattle feed.

The Chairman (Captain Paddy Vincent) and Dr. McAdam plan to visit the Islands in January 1998 to review progress on current projects and to hold discussions with government organisations and farmers concerned.

Future of FIPASS

IN a recently released information notice, the Falkland Islands company explain 'the future management of FIPASS, implications for FIPASS users and the opportunities which will be available to the private sector.

While summarising the functions the FIC will supply on behalf of the Islands Government the note explains that there will be opportunities for participation by the private sector companies to compete for the business of cargo handling, stevedoring and certain maintenance contracts. The FIC will be responsible for a small management team and staff to provide 24 hour coverage on the structure; allocation of vessel berths, provision of fresh water to vessels, management and supervision of warehousing, supervising of stevedoring and cargo handling activities (to ensure health and safety codes etc.) and limited maintenance. FIC will also be responsible for managing and administering other maintenance contracts for FIPASS and issuing invoices, on behalf of FIG.

The private sector may also be given the opportunity, eventually, to lease or buy plant and equipment belonging to FIG. For a short period (around three months) the equipment may, however, be available for hire.

Also for the private sector, companies renting warehouse space will be able to offer commercial warehousing operations.

As regards wool, present arrangements for wool arriving by sea for onward shipment to the UK will continue.

'FIPASS', says the FIC note, 'may become much busier in the future due to its probable use in supplying the drilling phase of oil development. Because of this the FIC will be restricting access at certain times to parts of the facility (except for bona fide FIPASS users.) Vehicle restrictions may be imposed and pedestrian walkways marked out. FIG is considering the introduction of other measures

(such as the possible introduction of a Pass System) so as to improve safe operation of the facility.

Mystery of the Kelper unfolds

FOLLOWING an appeal in Penguin News for information about the narrow boat Kelper seen in the Upper Thames by Len McGill recently, two people have taken the trouble to reply.

Ex Falklands resident, Bill Richards, read the story in Penguin News and having just returned from three weeks sailing, he contacted the Inland Waterways Board (who keep records of licensed boats used on the canals.) He was informed that there were two canal boats called Kelper, but the Data Protection Act prohibited them from giving Bill any information. Undaunted, Bill sent a letter via the Board to the owners. Shortly afterwards he received a letter from Russell Short, "a Kelper in the true sense of the word," the owner of the narrow boat seen by Len McGill. The other boat was also owned by him but he had sold it some years ago without the name - it now has the name Kelper II but is not in fact a narrow boat.

Linda Smith (daughter of Frank Howatt) also wrote to Penguin News with a similar story. However she had seen Kelper in the summer of 1995 and had chatted to Russell and his wife, who were going to live on the boat for some months.

Russell has in fact been retired since 1994, and each year spends from March to September enjoying a nomadic life afloat, says Bill Richards, and his letter was delivered to him at Bradford on Avon by his son Jeff when he went to visit.

Penguin News would like thank Bill and Linda for replying so promptly.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

FORSALE

2 bedroom bungalow at 14 Fieldhouse Close or large plot of land. Enquiries to Tel: 20845 D McPhee by 30th September

Pentium computer loaded with windows 95 and novell perfect office lots of memory. nearly new surplus to requirements. £1,100. Contact Jim Moffatt at Lifestyles Tel: 22635

2½ year old Suzuki Jeep for Sale. Telephone 22028

House for Sale at 2A Brisbane Road. Please phone Elaine on 21165 to view the property. The property will include gas cooker, carpets, curtains and washer.

Peugeot Junior 205 car in excellent condition. £2,500 or nearest offer. For viewing contact Katrina or Zachary Stephenson on tel 21241

1 x Double Bed mattress brand new £180
1 x Gas Cooker nearly new £250
4 x Nearly new Continental Tractor Grip Tyres on Rims £380. Telephone 21122

1 Yellow Liverpool Away Shirt New £40. Size Youths Apply Aldridge 21168

The Petty Officers Mess
H.M.S. Somerset
Presents
The Stephen Jaffray Memorial Fund
Family Magic Show
Starring: Emazdad the Magician and Scamp
at the Infant/Junior School Hall at 3.00pm
20th September 1997
ADMISSION CHILDREN: £1.00 ADULTS: £1.50

Need an Electrician?
Call Graeme on 32555. All types of industrial and domestic installation and repairs. Qualified personnel. No. 1 Electrical (Falklands) Ltd. P.O. Box 643, Stanley, Fax: 32555

Is your Freezer broken down? I might be able to recondition your Freezer for one third of the cost of a new replacement. Twelve months warranty on parts and labour (inc Camp) I can also supply any spare for any item of refrigeration equipment. Call Neil on 21041

NOTICES

Auction Bridge results for the 17th September. 1st Mrs R Duncan and T Pettersson 2nd Mrs V Malcolm and R Diggle Booby Mrs D Clarke & B Peck. The next bridge evening is scheduled for the 1st October. Whist is played on alternate Wednesdays, in the Day Centre at 7.30pm. ALL ARE WELCOME

Results of the Harps Knockout Dart tournament held at Port Howard on the 12th September
Ladies: 1st Sharon Marsh 2nd Ellen Davis 3rd Shula Smith 4th Nancy Poole
Open: 1st Wayne McCormick 2nd Ron Rozee 3rd Leon Marsh 4th Plex Simpson
There were 64 entries. Many thanks to everyone at Port Howard for yet another great two nighter.

In the next twelve months Fortuna Ltd. will have available a number of office/retail units in the centre of Stanley. Two units in Waverley House are available now and a third will be available in November. Others will be available in the Globe office development from around mid 1998. For further information please contact Fortuna Ltd on Tel: 22616 or Fax: 22617

Now that the lambing season is here Falklands Landholdings Limited would again like to remind members of the general public that NO pet dogs are allowed on any of their farms at any time. This ruling also applies if you are camping out or staying in one of our outside houses. We would also like to remind people who wish to camp out on or drive over company land, other than the Darwin Road, that they should first obtain permission from the manager of the farm unit concerned or telephone the Stanley Office on 22697 or 22698

In an attempt to streamline our accounting procedures and make the system more user friendly the Department of Agriculture wishes to remind customers that we have introduced a system of cash payment for Veterinary services/drugs which will require payment at the time for consultation.

Customers are requested to make sure they bring cash with them when they visit the surgery. Camp customers are also encouraged to send cash/cheques where possible with orders for drugs, laboratory tests, account books etc., however, instances where this is not possible the usual billing system will still be used.

PERSONAL



For one of my favourite nieces on her 26th birthday on the 20th



Gotcha! Good luck in the new job

To Jenny - Happy Birthday
Love Mum Dad and Craig
XXX

I would like to say thank you to all those who supported my recent exhibition of paintings. Special thanks to Lisa for her article, Ann for her hard work at the Pink Shop, the school for the loan of the display boards and my wife for her support.

Mike Peake

VACANCIES

Fortuna Ltd. will shortly have a vacancy for an Office Assistant. This position calls for a versatile person with the ability to work with a minimum of supervision. The successful applicant will be required to tackle a variety of tasks relating to the company's fishing activities and property rentals, in addition to normal office tasks.

Qualifications should include GCSEs in English and Maths at grade C or above. Computer literacy is essential as is a current driving licence. A knowledge of Spanish would be a great advantage.

For further information and a job description, ring telephone number 22616 or fax 22617 or call in to our office at Waverley House, Phlommel Street, Stanley. Applications in writing should reach that address on or before Friday 26th September 1997

Stanley Running Club
Spring Race Programme
Provisional dates for races leading up to the ½ marathon:
28th Sept. Fun run
19th Oct. Snakes & Ladders Race
9th Nov. Moody Brook Challenge
Training Schedule for ½ marathon:

Week 2
Friday 19- Walk briskly for 45 mins
Sun. 21st - jog for 40 mins
Tues. 23rd - jog 30 mins
Thurs 25th - jog 40 mins
Sat. 27th - Walk briskly 45 mins

CABLE & WIRELESS

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Reduction of Inmarsat Tariffs

Cable & Wireless is pleased to announce that Inmarsat has reduced their charges for calling the Inmarsat system, and we are delighted to be able to pass on this benefit to customers in the Falkland Islands. These reductions that are effective from 1st October 1997 are as follows:

Inmarsat Mobile Numbers beginning with '6' £4.00 per minute
All other Inmarsat Mobile Numbers £6.40 per minute
We have previously charged all Inmarsat calls at £7.00 per minute

POSTSCRIPT from the Baha'is

Science and Religion: From the Baha'i Writings

"If religion were in harmony with science and they walked together, much of the hatred and bitterness now bringing misery to the human race would be at an end.

"Look around and see how the world of today is drowned in superstition and outward forms.

"Put all your beliefs into harmony with science; there can be no opposition, for truth is one. When religion, shorn of its superstitions, traditions, and unintelligent dogmas, shows its conformity with science, then will there be a great unifying, cleansing force in the world which will sweep before it all wars, disagreements, discords and struggles - and then will mankind be united in the power of the love of God."

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Briefly

Slip Slap Slop

"SLIP on a shirt, slop on some sunscreen and slap on a hat." The time of year is approaching when Islanders are once again advised to do the sensible thing, and cover up in the sun.

According to Dr Jon Shanklin of the British Antarctic Survey, the ozone hole is, "rather more elliptical than usual this year, which means that the Falklands are likely to be affected on a regular basis, at least for the moment."

"When it crosses the Islands," said Dr Shanklin, "more UV rays will come through and blocking creams etc are advisable."

In a note to the BAS office in Stanley, he advised, "Ultra Violet levels are unlikely to be as high as during the previous crossing on September 13/14 because the centre of the hole is now on the far side of the Antarctic. The following crossing (approximately October 3/4) is likely to be worse."

Early closure for Loligo fishing season

THE Loligo squid fishing season is to close early, with all licences for type 'X' Loligo licences revoked from 2359 hours on September 30. Vessels affected by the early closure are to be offered restricted finfish licences or refunds.

Concerns over rumoured radioactive cargo

FOLLOWING the 1995 voyage of the *Pacific Pintail*, which sailed close to the Falklands with a cargo of radioactive waste, concerns are now emerging over unconfirmed rumours of a similar voyage involving an English flagged vessel apparently scheduled to carry French nuclear waste through the Magellan Strait en route to Japan. (MP)

Falklands' candidates statements at odds with Argentine hopes

IN a speech to the United Nations Assembly this week, Argentine Foreign Minister, Guido di Tella, reiterated his hope that the Labour Government would not, "turn their back on Argentina... concerning the Argentines wish to negotiate over the Falkland Islands." He criticised Britain, saying, "no member of the United Nations should be allowed to get out of the obligation to resolve a dispute through peaceful means."

Dr di Tella who has in the past admitted that Britain would not negotiate against the wishes of Islanders is unlikely to be encouraged by statements from local candidates for the General Election, who have been united in their rejection of any talks with Argentina (apart from those already occurring on oil and fishing).

In a message to Islanders di Tella said on Tuesday, "To the Islanders, I tell them again, that we promise them that we will fully respect their way of life, culture and institutions, as is laid down in



Bad news for di Tella (above)

our National Constitution."

Election candidate, Jan Cheek's statment, however, carried a similar message to those of other nominees, "Argentina will continue to press for concessions but we must stand firm because we believe in our right to our Islands."

Candidate, Norma Edwards, articulated a commonly held view in the Islands that the 'problem' to which Argentina constantly refers, "is entirely of Argentina's making and they have to resolve it, not us."

Photo: Mercopress/BA Herald

Chile warns tourists

OFFICIALS in the Chilean Ministry of Health have been forced to issue a practical guide for tourists visiting the south of the country, particularly campers and hikers, in a bid to control the expansion of the deadly *hantavirus* that has killed 14 people in the region this year, and 47 since 1991.

Transmitted by wild rodents, the disease has a mortality rate of over 60% with 73% of known cases being males in rural areas. No treatment has yet been discovered to effectively combat the fulminating vascular and respiratory consequences of the virus. (MP)

Golfing double

FORMER Ryder Cup European team captain, Bernard Gallagher, is to visit the Falklands from November 17 to 30. He will be coaching some of the Islands' many keen golfers. Former Governor, Sir Rex Hunt, himself a keen golfer, will be accompanying Bernard.

Citizens out in the cold for Conservation beach clean



Military helpers brave the cold and bundle rubbish into bags at Whale Bone Cove on September 20. Approximately 100 civilian and military residents arrived to assist in the cleaning up of the cove at the Falklands Conservation organised "Beachwatch." Story and photographs on page 4

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THERE is apparently an old military adage that 'one should learn to take orders before one gives them.' This 'proverb' acquired some significance this week when, having asked election candidates to submit a 500 word summary of their policies to *Penguin News*, I have received some election speeches of almost encyclopaedic proportions, once or twice accompanied with the words "do what you want with it." While I realise that précis is not everybody's favourite exercise (but one which may be of value to proceedings in future LegCo meetings) is it not disturbing to know that a number of individuals with ambitions to mould and direct the administration of the Falkland Islands are entirely incapable of fulfilling a basic requirement?

Quite apart from this worry, it is equally, if not more startling, that those same candidates were prepared - despite having been given the opportunity to do so themselves - to allow newspaper staff to cut and rearrange the words on which their success or failure in this campaign may depend. Wonders, I am entirely convinced, will never cease! (These comments do not of course apply to candidates who were travelling to UK earlier this month, and unaware of *Penguin News* guidelines)

Thankfully, and reassuringly, a large proportion of candidates did produce the required summaries - albeit, often with bad grace - and, combined with much ruthless editing from the *Penguin News* staff of other lengthy theses, we were able to provide in one publication, (and at the earliest possible opportunity) a platform, of what we feel is concise, and comprehensive information with respect to candidates beliefs, and one on which the electorate may now build if they so choose.

To move on from my personal disillusionment with the attitudes of various individuals, admittedly, much of what has been written gives the appearance of reasonable sense. And, if the electorate judge the policies of one or two candidates, who have not already served terms as councillors, to be occasionally bordering on idealism, they should bear in mind that to be well-intentioned is not a bad characteristic in a representative, providing it is accompanied by intelligence and honesty. Knowledge of the practical realities, I have been informed by serving councillors (usually defending slow achievement in one project or another) is the prize for having survived six months on council.

Policy surprises appear to be few, and, while such adjectives as 'safe' and 'unimaginative' may well be articulated by some electors, it is likely that several candidates will receive the accolade that clearly, they are in tune with the views of the majority of voters. Attitudes to most issues, particularly, education (vocational training), Argentina, oil revenue, sheltered housing, agricultural diversification, communications, preservation of fish stocks and immigration are often similar; although, on the latter issue, candidate Alan Jones demonstrates he has the courage of his convictions by rejecting the locally favoured policy of a 'natural trickle' of immigration, arguing that a strategic approach is necessary.

That several candidates have considered worthy of mention the view that a proportion of 'full-time councillors' may become a necessity in the future, is not altogether a surprise issue, but certainly one which is gaining unexpected momentum in this campaign. And, that this subject is raised by candidates who already have experience in the office they seek is perhaps significant in that it may indicate genuine concern that Legislative Councillors are in danger of losing control of the more complex projects through lack of time for research and debate, and therefore, informed decision making.

Finally, while it is gratifying to observe the amiable air which exists between candidates (on the surface at least) at such a vital and stressful time, potential councillors are perhaps not altogether above what might be construed 'mildly underhand' tactics. Call me suspicious, but by illustrating their clean bill of health with regard to Standards in Public Life by frantically denying commercial involvement in oil or fishing, are a few candidates slyly suggesting that association with such lucrative businesses go automatically hand-in hand with unhealthy morals?

**General Election
9 October, 1997**

**Exercise your
right to vote!**

Your letters

Hill Cove oil spill: Lack of evidence is not proof of no damage

I WOULD like to comment on a couple of points regarding the recent diesel spillage at Hill Cove.

During the weekend of the spill, a number of birds seen in the vicinity of the discharge were reported as being contaminated by an oily substance. Given the wind direction following the spill, it would be reasonable to assume that any birds killed as a result of oiling would have been blown away from the shore and would therefore not have been found during Monday's visit. The fact that no evidence of oiled birds was found on this visit should not be taken to mean that none were affected. Localised effects are potentially more serious than reports of a few dead shellfish, and in particular the mortality of limpets as a result of the spill had extended for over 200 metres from the point of discharge

by Monday. It would also be unwise to assume that no wildlife colonies were put at risk from the spill. Although there appear to be no concentrations of colonially nesting birds along the southern and eastern shores of Byron Sound, there are certainly major seabird colonies to the north. Given a different set of conditions the situation may have been very different.

Thankfully the impact of this particular spill appears to have been minimal, due in part to a favourable combination of wind and tide. However, it also serves as a timely reminder that we are living with the risk of serious incidents, even before there is any significant offshore oil related activity around the islands.

Jeremy Smith
Conservation Officer
Falklands Conservation

We were all newcomers once

I WOULD like the opportunity to make some observations in connection with Rosemary King's comments about Saint Helenians, reported in an article in last week's *Penguin News*.

Newcomers to the Islands are required to be resident in the Islands for a minimum of seven years before they are eligible to vote.

According to the 1996 census, 680 people had been resident for five years or less (unfortunately the census does not have a category for "seven years or less"), meaning that, theoretically, in a maximum of seven years from census night there could be 680 new voters.

An analysis of population by country of birth in the census shows that 253 people were born in Saint Helena. Therefore at the very most only 253, i.e. 37%, of the 680

potential new voters can be Saint Helenians (it will in fact be less than this as some Saint Helenians have been in the Islands for more than five years and will not belong in the "resident for five years or less" category) and 427, i.e. 63%, will actually be from other countries.

In 1996 just 58% of the population had been resident for more than ten years and no one has to trace their roots back that far to find their families were once newcomers too.

People who view themselves as "belongers" should consider their comments about "newcomers" very carefully, and I do not believe that racial comments can ever be acceptable.

Tom Blake
Stanley

APPLICATIONS are invited to fill a vacancy for a Clerk in the Computer Section of the Falkland Islands Government.

The successful applicant must possess a valid driving licence and have good word processing skills with experience of using Word and Excel.

The job will involve clerical duties and will include vote control. Salary will be paid in either grade H or G, ranging from £8,964 per annum at the bottom of H to £12,720 per annum the midpoint of G, entry point being dependent on the applicant's relevant qualifications and experience.

Interested persons should contact the Computer Co-ordinator, Mr Mike Peake on telephone number 27107 for further details.

Application forms are available from the Human Resources Department, Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4pm on Monday 6th October 1997.

Friend of the Falklands dies

An appreciation of Bill Hunter Christie by Robert Elgood



Bill Hunter Christie (Photo courtesy of Jan Cheek)

Research Institute, Cambridge and he published his findings in *The Antarctic Problem* in 1951. The following year he was called to the Bar.

In 1968 Falkland Islands councillors learned that the then Labour Government was secretly negotiating sovereignty with the Argentine and appealed for help. The United Kingdom Falkland Islands Committee was formed in response to this appeal with the aim of obtaining official recognition of the right of the Islanders to determine their own future. Bill was a founder member, Honorary Secretary from 1968-1978, and played a leading role in this group of remarkable people.

For twenty five years he was

Mr Falklands, consulted and hugely respected by politicians, diplomats and writers, many of whom rejected his opinions but could not ignore them. His views were stubbornly and uncompromisingly held, like those of the Islanders, but he saw further and more clearly than most. It is certainly true that if the British Government had listened to the advice of the Committee there would have been no Argentine invasion in 1982.

A series of discussion papers on military and economic matters were produced by the United Kingdom Falkland Islands Committee and many of the ideas advanced in these were later developed in the Shackleton Reports. A great deal

of the early work to establish a fisheries regime off the Falklands was done by Bill and the South Atlantic Fisheries Committee. The present prosperity of the Islands is the result. To the end of his life he enjoyed telling of a visit to a Foreign Office Minister where a civil servant assured the gathering that "there are no fish in the South Atlantic."

Bill Hunter Christie was a remarkable man with the ability to inspire people, particularly young people, to support the causes he fought for. He involved them and put them to work. I recall in 1982 sitting listening to him addressing MPs in a committee room of the House of Commons. It was a warm, sunny day and I was peacefully looking round the room when I was astonished to hear him say "...and my colleague Robert Elgood knows all about this subject and will speak to you about it..." That was typical of Bill. He possessed an exciting and original mind, great energy and courage. He committed everything to the cause he believed in. This was hard on his family but he was fortunate in having the support of a devoted wife who shared his dedication to the Islands' cause.

In 1993 the Falkland Islanders recognised his work for them by awarding him the Freedom of Stanley. It was an honour richly deserved and he told me that he valued it more than any honour he could ever receive. I liked him enormously, enjoyed his trenchant comments and sense of humour and will miss him greatly as will all who knew or worked with him.

Community School Christmas cards

THIS year's Community School Christmas Card Collection has been designed by students Marie Summers, Liev Poncet (both Year 11) and Mark Gilbert (Year 10).

The cards were chosen from a short list of 24 by popular vote held in the school amongst both the student body and the teaching staff, and are now on sale at Pastimes and at the school.

The price is a mere 30p per card (£3.60 for a pack of one dozen) with all proceeds going to the Stephen Jaffray Memorial Fund, Art teacher. Mrs Tim Simpson, told *Penguin News* only 1,000 of each card has been printed so sales will be on a first come first served basis.

Left: Penguins by Mark Gilbert
Right: Seals by Marie Summers
Below: Afloat by Liev Poncet



Vernon Steen to air my grievance. He said he'd try his best and call me in the morning.

To my surprise and amazed delight, he had not only juggled my flight, but had also contacted the dental department and changed my appointment to suit!

Recently at two separate farms, where parents had contacted the hospital about a sick child and been given advice, Barry Elsbey later phoned to follow up and see how the child was getting along. This was very much appreciated.

These are just two examples of the many who do their best and have the good of others at heart. I think it right that names should be named as well.

C. Winthrop



Pictured left are Ian France and Neil Gilbert, two young Falklands' men currently taking a two year course at Inverness College to become approved electricians. They are apprenticed to No 1 Electrical Limited, the company started by Murray Thain 17 years ago, and which now has 70 employees.

Late letter.....

FREQUENTLY the news we read in the paper and the letters we write are negative, or simply to complain. (Mine included). But how often do we notice or appreciate the quiet thoughtfulness and kindness of those behind the scenes.

I'm moved to write this because of two people I've observed who have shown great kindness and concern in the day to day running of their jobs in the last few weeks.

The first was when I'd needed to get to a dentist rather urgently; had made an appointment, confirmed the plane flight; then, to my distress, found that there was a mistake in the bookings and I'd miss the appointment. Of course I was glowingly upset and phoned

Bottles, bags and a Beachwatch barbeque

Report by Becky Ingham

OVER 100 people turned out in icy conditions on Saturday, September 20, including a coachload from MPA and good support from Hillside Camp (who provided the hot drinks) for this year's Beachwatch Day.

More than 150 bags of rubbish, weighing over two tonnes, were

Pomper (most enthusiastic cleaner upper!).

Most of the rubbish was plastics, bottles, bags and strapping bands which could have come from Stanley or from the sea off ships and fishing vessels. Also found was a large quantity of rope, cord, and sections of fishing net,



Above: Mandy Heathman on her way down to the shore to join the other 100 Beach Watchers

collected from a 1.5km stretch of the beach.

Despite grotty weather, spirits were kept high by the superb barbeque organised by Phil Middleton and the local Scout group.

Prize winners on the day included Laura Hobson (youngest participant), Jayne Miller and John Elligott (guess the weight of rubbish), and Janet Robertson

so again either fishing vessels or FIPASS were the most likely sources. There was a limited amount of medical waste, a few syringes, medicine bottles etc. These, however, could have been present last year when a large amount was found, so may not reflect input from this year alone.

Several people who attended the beach clean last year and this believe that the level of waste is



Wrapped against the cold, two of the younger Beach Watchers

decreasing over those areas of the shore which are cleaned regularly, and that the beaches in the area are showing signs of improvement.

Emphasising the need to continue to try to reduce waste was the presence of three entangled dead birds, one rock shag and two logger ducks which had died as a result of marine debris.

Falklands Conservation are grateful to all those who attended and put in a really excellent effort

Special thanks must go to the following companies for their input and support: Argos Ltd., FIC Ltd., KEMIL, Eurofishing, Stanley Bakery Ltd., BJ's Butchery, SFS, Byron SWA, Synergy Information Systems, Seafish, Polar Ltd., Stanley Scout Group, Department of Agriculture, Consolidated Fisheries, CBFIL and all at Hillside and MPA

GENERAL ELECTION 1997

THE following itineraries are proposed for the mobile polling teams travelling to the camp constituency during the four business days before the Election Day (there will be no voting over the weekend).

On Sunday the 5th October Polling Station materials will be delivered to the Presiding Officer at Fox Bay East. This flight will also carry two mobile teams, one to be dropped off at Hill Cove the other at Port Howard.

Monday the 6th October, weather permitting, mobile teams will visit the following places -

- Aircraft 1 Spring Point, Dunnose Head, Shallow Harbour, New Island, Beaver Island, Weddell Island, Port Stephens, Albermarle, Port Edgar
- Aircraft 2 Chartres, Roy Cove, Dunbar, West Point Island, Carcass Island, Pebble Island, Saunders Island, Hill Cove, Port Howard

- Tuesday 7 October 1997
- Aircraft 1 Lively Island, Bleaker Island, Sealion Island, Speedwell Island, North Arm, Walker Creek
- Aircraft 2 Salvador, Douglas Station, Port San Carlos, San Carlos

On Tuesday the 7th October, two teams consisting each of two election officials will travel by landrover to -

- Rincon Grande, Horseshoe Bay, Port Louis, Johnsons Harbour, Brookfield Farm, Green Patch, Teal Inlet, Riverview Farm

The landrover will return to Stanley via the Estancia. The second team will travel to Hawkbit, Fitzroy and Mount Pleasant Airport returning to Stanley via Bluff Cove.

The Election flights mean, of course, a heavy work-load for the pilots of the aircraft, and that an extremely tight schedule will have to be maintained. In view of this, electors are asked to attend at their particular airstrips where voting will take place - excepting Port Howard and Hill Cove.

On Thursday the 9th October the Stanley Polling Station will be open continuously from 10 am - 6 pm in the Court and Council Chamber. Entrance will be via the east door in the main corridor on the ground floor of the Town Hall.

Polling stations at Fox Bay East and Goose Green will be open continuously between the hours of 9 am - 4 pm on the 9th October. At the close of the poll the ballot boxes from these two stations will be sealed and collected by a team leader and flown to Stanley.

At some point during the day on the 9th October a mobile team will visit those in the King Edward VII Memorial Hospital and the Jack Hayward Housing.

All times quoted above are Stanley times.

J.C. Rowland
Returning Officer

The Internet - Part 2 of 4 by Nikki Buxton



The internet doesn't byte!

BY now, most of us have heard the terms "World Wide Web" and "surfing the Net", but what do they mean? The World Wide Web is a collection of pages, stored on computers throughout the world, and joined by hypertext links. These are documents that are linked so that clicking on a button, icon, or keyword, takes you into the related document. Web pages are written in HTML (Hypertext Markup Language), which helps to standardise these links. The World Wide Web is the fastest growing part of the Internet, due largely to the ease with which Web browsing software can be used.

A Web browser is a program that lets you leap (or "surf") between hypertext links to read text, view graphics and videos and hear sounds. Two of the top Web browsers are Spry Mosaic and Netscape Navigator. With a Web browser and some extra graphics or sound software, you can view pictures in exhibitions, or live pho-

tographs from cameras attached to the Internet, watch clips from videos, or listen to music. Some Web pages have files linked to them, and these can be downloaded onto your computer directly; others may tell you where to find interesting or useful files.

With a credit card by your side, you can book travel and theatre tickets, make hotel reservations, order flowers, chocolates, books, software and much more. (It pays to be a bit wary when giving out credit card details, as there have been several cases of people running scams or hacking into credit card databases over the Internet.) There are interactive games which many people can play at once, pitting their wits against distant, unseen opponents. There are also chat lines, with typing replacing talking. The "chat" varies from academic discussions to gossip between friends.

Next week we will learn about sending e-mail over the Internet.

Summary of election policies by candidates for General Election, October 9, 1997

WITH the intention of providing Penguin News readership with the basic election policies of the majority of candidates at a relatively early stage in this campaign, we invited those standing to submit a summarised version of their manifestos by September 22, 1997. As a result, we hope we have provided readers with a platform of information which they can add to by listening to councillors detailed speeches on FIBS next week, or by approaching them directly.

"Maintain present policy towards Argentina"

Bill Luxton is married to Elizabeth (Lidda). Bill has three sons, Christopher, Michael and Stephen. Bill and Lidda live at Chartres on West Falklands.

Standing for Camp W R Luxton

FOUR years ago the voters in the Camp constituency were kind enough to give me a large vote of confidence at the election. On October 9th I will find out what the verdict is now as I offer myself for another term on Leg Co. In this brief summary I would like to indicate how I would approach some of the matters which will face the new government if you elect me as one of your councillors.

Above all, I would wish the new Council to maintain the present policy towards Argentina. I would never agree to Argentina having any part in our affairs and until they drop their outrageous claim over our country I would not agree to any lifting of the ban on Argentine passport holders being admitted. It is a simple sanction, easy to administer and very effective. They do not like it and this is shown by the continuous campaign against it. During the lead up to the talks at Chevening it looked as if they were at last prepared to give up the claim. We will never know whether it was just a trick to get us talking to them or whether it was a genuine offer that di Tella was, in the end, unable to sell to his own side. I would not consider such secret talks again - any further approach from the Argentines will have to be open. In any case our councillors did exactly the right thing when they walked out. The farming community continues in crisis with people having to leave their farms and work elsewhere in order to make ends meet. The haphazard mish-mash of assistance which has been forthcoming so far is totally unsatisfactory. No one can plan and it changes every five minutes. This is a wealthy country but most of that wealth has so far bypassed the farm-



ing community. If elected I will work for a proper planned and consistent approach to agricultural assistance in order to go some way towards equalising Camp and Stanley incomes. If you elect me I will continue to press for an accelerated camp road building program. After an excellent start we seem to have stalled. I would try to persuade the new Council to take a firm grip of this situation and have two gangs working on each main island at the earliest possible date.

I would also continue to support the provision of the very best education for our children and medical service for all. There is an urgent need to make sure that those living on outer islands or isolated parts share the benefits available to the rest of the community.

Finally, I must mention the source of funds for all these ideas. I would continue to support any local participation in our fishing industry. It must be better to have our own people making profits and paying tax rather than having the fish and the profits going overseas. During the term of the next council we shall know whether the income from oil is to be nothing or enormous - or somewhere in between. Whatever it is, there will be difficult decisions and we must all hope that the council you elect has the wisdom to make the right ones.

"Preserve our unique way of life"

June Clark is married to Norman. They have two sons, Craig and Douglas. June and Norman live in Stanley.

Standing for Stanley B J Besley-Clark

THE reason I am standing as a candidate for LegCo is my concern about the future of the Falkland Islands. We have a unique way of life which I would like to preserve, along with a gradual development for the future.

Housing is a major problem and needs to be addressed sooner rather than later. We need to build more single and two bedroom homes for our own people.

Old Folks Home, Sheltered Accommodation, MPA Road, Link Roads, Stanley Roads, maintenance of our infrastructure, Sewerage, Infant and Junior School, the list is endless. We must produce a manageable and feasible plan to bring to fruition.

Immigration policy: This must be addressed urgently, my views are a tighter control on everyone wanting to immigrate. We should ensure medical and criminal background are looked into properly, amongst other criteria to name but a few.

Education continues to give good results, a high standard is essential for the development of our future. Academic, Vocational and Social education are the way forward. I do not think we are doing enough at all levels.

I have always supported our sports men and women, it is a great social and physical development. I will continue to support them.

The FIDF morale seems good, their recruitment figures have improved, however, like so many other organisations they are having to come to terms with the fact that even leisure time is becoming more competitive.

The economy is everyone's concern, how it is managed, what capital expenditure plans, service provisions, related to the projected income level. With clear concise planning Government would be more effective.

The Camp will continue to need our support if they are to develop. By helping farmers to achieve the

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full potential of their land, we can assist in many ways to make it a viable business, and secure the future.

I welcome the paper put forward on the "Standards in Public Life" to the last ExCo Committee. I feel this has to be put in place as soon as possible, together with additional amendments for a tighter policy, so there can be no misunderstandings in the future.

Our Civil Servants' moral is at its lowest with the introduction of the Hay review. The Councillors must put impetus behind these outstanding grievances and have them actioned.

My views on Argentina have not changed. I would talk on environmental issues. No other talks (secret or otherwise) until they drop their claim to Sovereignty.

The fishing industry still remains the major source for our countries economy. It is essential that conservation of fish stocks remain our highest priority.

With the oil industry a step nearer to drilling we must ensure all legislation is tightly in place, with all the pressures we are likely to receive from this industry.

Councillors must represent the Falklands at every possible venue to state our case, as you can bet the Argentines will be taking every opportunity to state theirs.

I have only touched briefly on those issues which are of major concern. If you wish to discuss any of these or other issues please do not hesitate to contact me on 21536 between 5pm and 7pm any evening, and I will endeavour to do my best for you, the electorate, and the Falkland Islands.

“An Islander by conviction”

William (Bill) Davies has a wife, Chris, and son, Asa. He also has a son and daughter (Andrew and Michelle) by wife, Linda, who died in 1991. Bill and his family live in Stanley

Standing for Stanley W Davies

AS a candidate I look to represent the people of Stanley and the Islands. An Islander by conviction if not birth. I have an affinity with the people and culture, and have no wish to see it spoilt.

I came to the Islands in 1984 as a contractor. On completion of my contract I was asked to return, which I did. I am at present a Prison Officer.

As a councillor I aim to do my best and I see myself as having the attribute of a dogged determination to correct what I feel is wrong.

With regard to Argentina, Carlos Menem speaks of 'recovering the Islands by the year 2000'. I say NEVER - they will remain British.

Housing: we are moving in the right direction, but should not be complacent. We need to plan our requirements; assist the self-builder more; put out smaller-unit contracts for the local small-builder and maximise use of our local work force.

We need to prioritise housing policy (including provision of sheltered accommodation). I am not advocating an influx of contracting companies - let us take stock of what we have, and how best use them. Thus, they will get

work, and we get houses. Oversimplifying perhaps, but we have already started answering the need with East Stanley Development and Eliza Crescent. Let's keep it up.

Appropriate social facilities for teenagers barely exist. With money they could. Councillors who are chosen in this election have the chance to address such needs, and to contribute to a major public relations debut in the sporting world. We should listen to our young people's pertinent views. Our sportsmen/women could be our best ambassadors at overseas events.

Tourism is slowly developing, but for the most part, the shopkeeper sees little money coming in for all the expenditure. We must be more aware of this financial anomaly.

Bodie Creek Bridge - a Falkland heritage - should be put into usable repair.

KTV deserve support. Although a private venture, setting-up assistance could be made available. (What if another round of military spending cuts were to cause SSVC to go?)

Immigration: retain the status quo. Housing is a priority before we allow any influx.

We should not let educational and sporting standards fall, but look after our youngsters - they will run these Islands later in life.

Falklands infrastructure is im-



proving but why the importation of cabins on the south side of the bypass? Services (water, sewerage, electricity) have to be connected to each cabin. Why not build one-bedroomed flats instead? The cost should not be much more - especially if local labour is used - and the buildings would not only be a more permanent structure, but would be more in keeping with that area.

A permanent Lorry Park for Stanley needs organising immediately.

If oil arrives it will come at a cost. We must make decisions regarding accommodating transiting oil rig personnel (if appropriate): will there be an increase in movement at MPA or will Stanley Airport be developed. We need to get the environmental planning right.

“Candidates should be up-front”



John Birmingham is married to Sue, they have two children, Alex and Joe and live in Stanley.

Standing for Stanley J Birmingham

STANDARDS in public life are an important issue, and I think that candidates for this election should be 'up front' with no surprises to reveal later on. I'm not involved with fishing or oil companies, and I have no intention of becoming so.

I have long been a supporter of more sheltered accommodation and a

residential home. Once a new School Hostel is built, Stanley House and its grounds will have huge potential. Plans for sheltered units for the elderly and young adults, and a residential home, should be drawn up as soon as possible. I find it unacceptable that anyone should have to live permanently in the Hospital.

I also believe that it is unreasonable to expect young people to live at home with their parents. We are not keeping up with the demand for single accommodation, and I would like to see more single units being built.

All aspects of education are important, but I am proud of the support that I was able to give the Infant/Junior School during the last council. The next stage is a new block when the FIDF move.

Stanley's roads will form an important part of the four year development plan that is being drawn up. I hope that residents will be made fully aware of which roads are going to be repaired or re-laid, and when, and I hope that other services will be renewed at the same time.

We need to maximise as much as possible the revenue from, not only fishing, but also agriculture, and I am pleased that a large investment is taking place in the fu-

ture of farming. FIDF are being strangled by having to administer projects that should be left to stand alone. They need to regain the initiative.

Oil exploration starts next year, and it concerns me that we still don't have legislation in place to protect the environment. This has to be a priority for the next Council.

Regarding sharing possible oil revenue with the United Kingdom, I stand by the previous Council's commitment to pay for our defence.

I don't agree with the quota approach to immigration envisaged by Coopers and Lybrand. A controlled trickle based on a points system is the fair and acceptable way.

I fully support Falkland Islands participation in overseas sporting events, and there should be annual provision in the budget to part finance this. We get excellent public relations value from such sporting participation.

I consider the Chevening talks to have been a worthwhile exercise. The Argentines are now fully aware that Falkland Islanders have a say in their future. I don't support allowing Argentina any concessions until they drop their sovereignty claim.

We must celebrate the arrival of the millennium, if only to show President Menem that our view of the future is different to his.

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“Will not be party to secret agendas”



Norma Edwards is married to Roger and they have two daughters, Emma and Rebecca. Norma and Roger live at Lake Sullivan Farm on West Falkland.

Standing for Camp N Edwards

I WILL begin this address by asking my constituents to forgive me for being absent during the election and on Polling Day. No-one was keen to attend the Labour and Conservative Party Conferences because of the date clashes, but I believe it was very important that we attend, particularly in a year when we have had a change of Government in Britain. If we had not attended Party Conferences in recent years we would not be enjoying the current level of support.

Winston Churchill once said, "the price of freedom is eternal vigilance." We had better believe it because if we lower our guard in any way the Argentines will move in, and it is You, the electorate who have the task of electing councillors strong enough to withstand the constant pressure that will be put on them to change their views. I get sick of agitators trying to make us feel guilty for a situation that is of Argentina's making. It is for them to resolve - not us. So, if you return me to Government I will be constantly vigilant to protect our freedom.

Most candidates, in the four elections in which I have stood, promised 'open government'. I won't because twice during the past four years this government has been the best 'closed shop' I ever worked for. The way the electorate were kept in the dark on both those occasions disgusted me and I will certainly not be a party to any more secret agendas which are set up. If I am returned to Government this October I will uphold the confidentiality of Government where necessary, but will never be party to withholding information from my constituents which I consider may put their wishes for the future of the Islands in jeopardy.

I will continue to push for more sheltered housing and, after the new school hostel is built, for Stanley House to be converted into a nursing home for our elderly.

I will also continue to support a road building programme and to press for maintenance teams for Camp and Stanley roads. I'll also be pressing for 'flying squads, to repair camp tracks.

We have for the present and foreseeable future a split economy with the wealth in Stanley and the Camp population struggling to get by, particularly those running less than 5,000 sheep. The West and outer islands have had an additional freight burden so the equalisation of freight and fuel costs will have been very welcome. But we will have to invest more in the agricultural community if we want to encourage people back to the land. We may one day have to rely on wool again, and viable diversification. Discovering what is viable will take research, which is costly, but if we ignore the needs of our rural community we will have a large bureaucratic and business centre in Stanley and even fewer people in Camp.

So, choose well on October 9. If you vote me back in I will continue to work for the good of the Falkland Islands to the best of my ability.

“Totally committed to Camp”



Richard Cockwell is married to Grizelda and they have three children, Adam, Ben and Sam. Richard has two children by a former marriage, Giles and Kerr. Richard and Grizelda live in Fox Bay Village on West Falkland.

Standing for Camp R Cockwell

I AM totally committed to the development of Camp and outlying islands. The land is an asset which will always be there, and - if correctly husbanded and developed - can again support the community. If there is no viable oil to be found, and fishing incomes decrease, Camp may again be in the position of having to be the main income base.

A proper plan needs setting up for

the improvement of both agricultural and social infrastructure. Forward planning is essential; continuing improvement and promotion of Falkland wool, financial and technical encouragement for farmers interested in setting up new projects on their farms, sale and purchase of farms, attracting young people to camp, the work of the Agricultural Department, continuing improvement of roads, telecommunications, TV and radio, and so on.

These aims cannot be achieved overnight but unless plans are laid down we shall never achieve the creation and continuation of a viable community.

These are crucial times for the Islands, and it is important to have a strong and democratically unified Council. I am committed to see that Elected Council and the Administration work together and that the Chief Executive and the Administration adhere to the democratic system of Council being the policy makers, and the Administration carrying out Council's policies.

With regard to Argentina, I firmly believe in no relaxation of our attitude unless they drop their claim. Perhaps it may be the time to find out how the electorate feel on this specific issue by means of a survey.

We must continue to be represented abroad as much as possible - we lose credibility if we are not willing to speak for ourselves and put our

point of view wherever and whenever we can.

Other issues of importance are: We must keep careful check on any potential oil revenues and resist any effort to divert large sums out of our control.

We must make every effort to continue to manage the fishing industry with a view to preserving stocks and maintaining our interests, and that we take a very firm stand on the issue of human rights in this field.

Education standards must be maintained. Greater emphasis should be put on vocational training both for students and adults as being particularly suited to our way of life.

We should have a proper plan for transport and internal communications.

Legislation should be set up to protect our unique wildlife and environment.

We need a realistic Immigration policy.

To conclude, with only three representatives in Camp it is important that your elected councillor gets to know all his constituents, and if elected, I promise to visit East Falkland as soon as possible after the election, and regularly after that, and also hold regular meetings at various places on the West.

If my ideas are what you want, then place one of your votes for me, and I will do my best to represent you during the next Council.

“Stability for Landholdings population”

Eric Goss is married to Shirley, and has two sons, William and Morgan. Eric and Shirley live at North Arm on East Falkland.

Standing for Camp E M Goss

IN presenting my statement of policies I am hoping that you, the Electorate, will use it to help form your judgement in selecting the candidates for whom you will vote.

I believe there are investment opportunities here in the oil industry. I would like to see shore based facilities established to generate finance in downstream activity, and there will be a need for transit accommodation for workers which could be used, in the long term, to meet the bed shortfall in the tourism industry.

More people mean we will need more housing. Now is the time to speed up and get something in place before the first semi-submersible rig arrives.

I believe my seven years LegCo experience gives me an advantage that will be a requirement in the next Council because of the reduced representation for Camp, and there are many issues I am pleased to have been party to.

However, my sights are on unfinished business like the length of time taken, so far, to bring stability to the

dedicated people who populate Falkland's Landholdings' farms - bought for the protection of those who were on the land at that time, and to serve as a training ground for future generations. We need acreage to progress pasture improvement on a more ambitious scale than best efforts in the past. It is time we stopped sniping, liberated management from the political yoke, restored faith in the employees and placed our confidence in the new Managing Director.

The demographic drift from Camp to Stanley continues to bother me. I feel we should focus on ways to equalise living standards or identify how we could stop or reverse the trend.

Immigration is under review but must be controlled at an acceptable level. My conscience would not allow me to encourage immigrants from poor countries to come and work for lower wages as it reminds of the times when powerful landowners and absentee landlords exploited locals.

Good progress has been made with Camp roads but we still seem to have overlooked basic maintenance, and I am disappointed that we failed to improve tracks for those at the bottom of the list. If re-elected I will endeavour to get action to improve the problem areas.

Listen carefully to how candi-



dates come across on the Argentine 'pseudo' claim issue. My position hasn't changed and never will. You should all know my birthright is priceless and not for sale. We settled a bleak archipelago devoid of an indigenous people 164 years ago. How can anyone dispute our rights?

I have no investment in fishing, oil, or other business, and from this unique position I offer myself for election for the Camp Constituency. I have a clean bill of health under "Standards in Public Life", as, like many of you whom I wish to represent, my only income is the monthly wage I receive for performing my duty as a farm manager, and none from company dividends or other remote sources.

When polling day arrives, be sure to place your cross alongside Goss.

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Information Pullout



September 27 - October 3

CHURCH SERVICES

CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY: 8am Holy Communion, 10am Family Communion (first Sunday every month - Family Service) 7pm Evening Prayer

TABERNACLE - free church

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm.
ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm Minister: Mike Mitchelmore 21787

St. MARY'S

SUNDAY: 10am (MPA 6.45pm).
Week days: 9am

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

TEL: 74350-SUNDAY 8am Holy Communion, 10.30am Eucharist/Morning worship, 6.45pm Holy Mass MONDAY: 6.30am Mass WED: 7.30pm Holy communion, 8pm Bible Study

BAHA' FAITH

For information on meetings please ring Tel: 21957 (evenings)

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:

Fox Bay +2hr 30m
Roy Cove +4 hrs 30m
Port Howard +3hrs 19m
Teal Inlet +3hrs 30m
Sea Lion Is +1hr 15m
Port Stephens +3hrs 15m
Hill Cove +4hrs
Berkeley Sound +1hr 11m
Port San Carlos + 2hr 55m
Darwin Harbour -56m

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LIBRARY

Monday - Friday
08.45am - 12 noon and
1.30pm - 5.45pm
Saturday: 10am - 12 noon
2pm - 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 Liz Burnett, Tel: 21770 or Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

SQUASH CLUB Thursdays 5-9pm Contact Dik Sawle Tel 21414

NETBALL CLUB Tuesdays 6-8pm, Wednesday 6-7pm All are welcome Contact Sarah Allan 22119

THE FI GUN CLUB New members welcome Contact Ped Tel: 21663 or Graham Didlick 21622 P.O. Box 540

F.I. RIFLE ASSOCIATION Contact Secretary G Check 21402

STANLEY GOLF CLUB Competitions on Sunday at 8.45 am. Contact Mike Summers on tel: 21542

FI MOTORCYCLE ASSOC. All queries & information on races etc contact Andrew Newman 21606 or Rowena Summers 21015

YMCA Accommodation available Contact Terry Peck 21074

ASTHMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets second Tuesday of every third month in Day Centre at 5pm Contact Graham France on 21624

FALKLAND ISLANDS RED CROSS ASSOCIATION New members welcome. Contact Secretary Irene Baker 20839 or Chairman Nick Hadden, 21014

GUILD OF SPINNERS, WEAVERS & HANDICRAFTS Meetings on Wednesday evening at 7.30pm Contact Marj McPhee, tel: 21106

CANCER SUPPORT & AWARE-

NESS TRUST Contact Shiralee Collins, 21597, Sister Bridie 22086, Derek Howatt 21385

FIODA Actors/singers/stagehands contact Alan 21019

DIABETIC ASSOCIATION Meets first Thursday of every month. 7.30pm in the Day Centre

STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB Contact D. Humphreys Tel. 22028 Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm, Fridays 4-5

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB Contact David McLeod Phone: 20836 (day), 20843 (home)

RUNNING CLUB Meets Wednesday 5.30pm, contact Tracy Porter 21574

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION Meets 1st Monday every month @ 2000 hrs, WO1&Sgt Mess, Hillside Camp. All ex or serving Service persons welcome. Contact A Geach, R Fiddes or KD Greenland for info 21454 or 27222.

F.I. WESTERN LINE DANCE CLUB: Meets Drill Hall. Beginners Classes - Sun: 6pm. Advanced Classes - Sun: 7pm. Club Night (All welcome) - Mon: 7pm. Contact Tricia Hanlon 21406

STANLEY SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB Friday 7-9pm Sundays 4-5pm. Contact Angela Lee on 21762 or M. Humphreys on 22028

JELLY TOTS CLUB meets Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays at the Day Centre from 2.30 - 4pm. All welcome

WELL BABY/CHILD CLINIC Day Centre KEMH Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am. Contact Miranda Check Health Visitor 27418

Leisure Centre Term Times - Further information/Bookings: tel 27291

Day	Pool	Courts
Monday	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
Tuesday	9.30 - 10.30	Public
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
Wednesday	7.00 - 8.00	Public
	10.30 - 12.00	Hospital/OAP's
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
Thursday	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	5.00 - 7.00	Private Hire
Friday	10.00 - 11.30	Parents/Toddlers
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
Saturday	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	8.00 - 9.00	Private Hire
	10.00 - 4.00	Public
Sunday	4.00 - 5.00	Adults
	10.00 - 4.00	Public
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults

Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER

10.15 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE
 10.40 GARFIELD AND FRIENDS
 10.55 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 11.20 ELIDOR Roland encounters a bizarre computer game at a friend's house
 11.45 RUN THE RISK
 12.15 THE O-ZONE
 12.35 FRAGILE KINGDOMS
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Tennis from Boumemouth; three-day eventing from Burghley; Racing from Goodwood; IAAF Grand Prix athletics from Japan; Cricket Focus; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.30 TOP OF THE POPS
 7.00 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN The vicious Vixen has been destroyed, but Superman must still discover who is the secret power behind the android
 7.45 CONFESSIONS
 8.25 CASUALTY (New)
 9.15 IT'S ULRIKA Ulrika Jonsson stars in her own show written by Vic Reeves and Bob Mortimer
 9.45 THEY WHO DARE White-water diving in the Alps
 10.00 LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY Highlights from two of the day's top FA Carling Premiership matches

SUNDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

10.50 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.05 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.30 BLUE PETER
 11.55 BIG BREAK STARS OF THE FUTURE
 12.25 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.00 HOT GADGETS
 1.30 THE CHART SHOW
 2.20 BROOKSIDE Mick and Elaine finally have to face the consequences of their actions
 3.30 AS TIME GOES BY
 4.00 THE GREAT ANTIQUES HUNT This week's edition comes from Tenby
 4.45 SMALL TALK
 5.15 WILDLIFE ON ONE
 5.45 THE BEST OF LES DAWSON
 6.15 THE DEEP
 7.10 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.40 THE BLIND DATE EXCLUSIVE
 8.35 HEARTBEAT (New) Blaketon goes on the warpath when Greengrass stands bail for a notorious burglar
 9.25 FILM: DAVE (1993,15) Political comedy starring Kevin Kline and Sigourney Weaver. Dave runs an employment agency and bears such a striking resemblance to the President of the US that he is occasionally called upon to do impersonations
 11.10 FRIENDS: US comedy series
 11.35 MERCURY MUSIC PRIZE Presented by Jools Holland and Tracey MacLeod

MONDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Lance and Hannah's good turn backfires
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 TRACKS
 3.25 GARDEN PARTY
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
 4.00 MORPH TV WITH TONY HART
 4.20 CARTOON CRITTERS
 4.40 WOOF!
 5.10 PIRATES (New)
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Jesse fears that the courts will award custody of Rachel to Kylie
 5.55 TOP GEAR
 6.25 MASTERMIND
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Gary and Judy have some explaining to do. Rita and Mavis plan their new life
 7.45 THE BILL Black and Blue: A jealous nanny wreaks havoc in a family home
 8.10 PAUL MERTON IN GALTON & SIMPSON'S COMEDY PLAYHOUSE The Wrong Man
 8.35 AIRPORT
 9.05 McCALLUM The discovery of a rare case of scalded-skin syndrome exposes a number of deaths resulting from misuse
 10.00 FILM '97
 10.30 BLACK BOX Crash Detectives: Tonight's programme focuses on the investigation of two crashes - the mid-air explosion of flight TWA 800 and a plane crash in an alligator infested swamp
 11.25 FOOTBALL LEAGUE REVIEW

TUESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Toadie and Lance earn some money by acting virtuously
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 THE PRACTICE Life in a busy doctor's surgery
 3.20 CHANGING ROOMS
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: TICKETY BOO
 4.00 ZOT THE DOG
 4.10 TO ME TO YOU

4.40 THE THUNDERLIZARDS
 4.50 BLUE PETER
 5.15 SNAP!
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Marilyn and Fisher decide to go on a macrobiotic diet
 6.00 BEADLE'S HOT SHOTS (New)
 6.30 EMMERDALE Kim spurns Alex's advances
 6.55 SCENE HERE Presented by Lucy Jackson
 7.25 EASTENDERS Grant is determined to look after Kathy
 7.55 999
 8.45 POND LIFE
 9.00 MATCH OF THE DAY Celtic v Liverpool. UEFA Cup, first round, first leg
 10.55 CLASSIC ALBUMS Tonight, hippie band the Grateful Dead
 11.55 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 1ST OCTOBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Phil and Ruth make some personal compromises
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 HOME GROUND
 3.25 WHEEL OF FORTUNE
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: OZZIE THE OWL
 4.00 RUGRATS
 4.25 CAPTAIN STAR
 4.50 IT'LL NEVER WORK (New)
 5.20 THE SCOOP (New)
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Alf deals with his grief
 6.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
 6.30 EMMERDALE There's an unexpected turn of events at the Dingle wedding
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Mavis has a nightmare day when the Battersby family turn up on her doorstep to view her house
 7.45 THE BILL A Bunch of Fives: When Beech is found beaten unconscious, uniformed officers and CID join forces to find his attackers
 8.10 CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL At Alder Hey Children's Hospital in Liverpool
 8.40 FRIENDS
 9.05 AIN'T MISBEHAVIN' Comedy drama series set in World War Two Britain, starring Robson Green and Jerome Flynn
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 FILM WIDOWS PEAK (1993,PG) Black comedy starring Mia Farrow and Joan Plowright, 1920's Ireland
 12.10 SUNNYSIDE FARM (New) Farming brothers Ray and Ken are delighted by the arrival of a beautiful neighbour
 12.40 CHAMPION'S LEAGUE HIGHLIGHTS

THURSDAY 2ND OCTOBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Anne takes a short cut to easy success
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 THE CALL OF THE SEA
 3.35 GLORIA'S TIME OFF WITH Lesley Joseph
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
 4.00 THE TREACLE PEOPLE
 4.15 REBOOT
 4.40 BLUE PETER
 5.05 RETURN TO JUPITER
 5.30 HOME AND AWAY Shannon feels that there is no inspiration in her life
 5.50 MASTERCHEF
 6.30 EMMERDALE Zak and Lisa begin a Yorkshire honeymoon
 6.55 RONNIE BARKER - A LIFE IN COMEDY
 7.25 EASTENDERS Grant and Peggy both demand some answers from Phil
 7.55 TIGER BAY Charlie has terrible news to break to his daughter Kim
 8.25 GET FIT WITH BRITTAS
 8.35 3D Today, with just days to go before the British Grand Prix, 3-D asks why there are no women drivers in Formula One racing
 9.00 SMITH & JONES
 9.30 ROOM 101 Tonight, Neil Morrissey
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 THIS LIFE Egg's expectations for the opening night at the cafe prove to be over-ambitious
 11.10 PANORAMA Reporting on the events that led to the death of the Princess of Wales in Paris
 11.50 EUROTRASH Antoine de Caunes presents alternative European culture

FRIDAY 3RD OCTOBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Sarah's finances take a battering
 2.30 COUNTDOWN
 2.55 COMEDY CLASSIC: YES, PRIME MINISTER
 3.25 YOU'VE BEEN FRAMED
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: DINOBABIES
 4.15 RUPERT
 4.35 PENNSYLVANIA PET SHOP
 5.00 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
 5.15 KNIGHT SCHOOL (New)
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Joey has had enough of Tiegan
 6.00 SPACE CADETS
 6.25 AUNTIE'S TV FAVOURITES
 6.55 SCENE HERE Presented by Lucy Jackson
 7.25 EASTENDERS Polly's awkward questions at the opening of Walford's new sports centre force George to make his position very clear to Councillor Dixon
 7.55 CATHERINE COOKSON'S THE WINGLESS BIRD
 8.45 SEE YOU FRIDAY

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

9.05 THE MAN WHO MADE HUSBANDS JEALOUS
 10.00 RAB C NESBITT
 10.30 BODYGUARDS
 11.25 TFI FRIDAY

SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER

10.15 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE
 10.40 THE BLUE ROSE
 10.55 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 11.20 ELIDOR Elidor's evil warriors try to break into the house
 11.45 RUN THE RISK
 12.15 THE O-ZONE
 12.35 FRAGILE KINGDOMS
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Racing from Newbury and Longchamp; Rounds 21 and 22 of the British Touring Car Championship from Brands Hatch; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.25 TOP OF THE POPS
 6.55 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN
 7.40 CONFESSIONS
 8.20 CASUALTY Ideological rivalries between the A & E senior staff prove to be unnerving for the department as a whole
 9.10 BREAKOUT One-off drama
 10.35 JOBS FOR THE GIRLS
 11.35 MATCH OF THE DAY Highlights from two of the day's top FA Carling Premiership matches, plus a round-up of all the goals, news and talking points

SUNDAY 5TH OCTOBER

10.55 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.10 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.35 HOW 2 (Repeat)
 11.45 BLUE PETER
 12.10 BIG BREAK STARS OF THE FUTURE
 12.40 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.15 HOT GADGETS
 1.45 THE CHART SHOW
 2.25 BROOKSIDE The Johnsons are astonished - have they been given back their freedom?
 3.35 AS TIME GOES BY
 4.05 THE GREAT ANTIQUES HUNT From Warwickshire
 4.50 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE (New)
 5.20 THE CARLING PREMIERSHIP Chelsea v Arsenal
 7.10 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.40 SURPRISE, SURPRISE
 8.35 HEARTBEAT
 9.25 BORN TO RUN (New) First in a six-part drama about love, money and marathon running. Car dealer Byron Fitch makes an offer to his demanding mistress Judith. He'll leave his wife if she can turn his elderly mother Lili into a marathon runner
 10.20 FRIENDS US comedy series
 10.45 NETWORK FIRST All in the Genes: Documentary about breakthroughs in genetic science and the ethical questions they raise
 11.40 TOTP 2 TBA

The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY September 27

6.00 News BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.30 News and Sport from five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Tristram Shandy
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 Murder at the Vicarage 3/5
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY September 28

5.00 News: BFBS
 5.03 Music fill
 5.15 The Archers Omnibus
 6.00 News BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service-St. Mary's
 8.00 Sports Roundup
 8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didlick
 8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.00 News Desk
 9.30 Juste Plaine Madness
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

MONDAY September 29

10.03 Morning show - Lorna

12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The Late Afternoon Show
 6.00 Country Crossroads
 6.30 The Grumbleweeds
 7.00 Hooplie to Harrier Pt 5/10
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 BBC Story of Pop
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 Boogie up the River
 10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY September 30

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Review of CD's of the week
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 St. News
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert -Del Amitri
 7.30 News and Sports
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Venom
 8.30 Paths of Inspiration

9.00 News desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 9.00 The Human Child
 9.30 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

WEDNESDAY October 1

10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 B.F.B.S Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Late Afternoon Show
 5.45 The Folk Show Rpt
 6.30 Just a minute
 7.00 Sad Cypress
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Classic Concerts
 9.00 News Desk from BBC
 9.28 Rpt. weather & flights
 9.30 Listen with Les
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News from BFBS

THURSDAY October 2

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Annos
 B.F.B.S Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Music Fill
 5.30 On Stage: Tom Jones
 6.30 Memories are make of this -

with Tony Burnett
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Pot Luck with Myriam
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt weather and Flights
 9.30 Cont. with Pot Luck
 10.00 News BFBS
FRIDAY October 3
 10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Announcements, BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The late afternoon show
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 The late afternoon show - cont
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 Headbangers Ball
 7.30 Five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights Annos
 8.30 Rpt News Magazine
 8.00 Announcers half hour
 8.30 Country Crossroads
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 Music Fill
 10.00 News B.F.B.S.

All programmes are subject to change. Any changes will be broadcast on FIBS

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SATURDAY

0000 News & Mc Mark Page 0200 News & Eurozone 0400 News & Benny Brown 0600 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0830 News Magazine 0903 Sports n all 1100 Sport on 5 1400 News & Mc Mark Page 1600 News & Benny Brown 1800 News 7 Eurozone with A Donovan 2000 News & Rockola 2200 Steve Mason

SUNDAY

0000 News & Weekend World - Jamie Gordon 0200 TNews 7 UK Music Week - Gary King 0400 News & Bob Harris 0700 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0800 Steve McQueen 1003 UK Music Week 1200 Lunchtime Show 1400 News & Weekend Word - Jamie Gordon 1600 Bob Harris 1900 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 2100 News & Essential selection 2200 News & London Tonight

MONDAY

0000 London tonight continued 0100 News & Gold - Dave Windsor 0200 Today Programme - Radio 4 0400 News & Essential selection 0500 News & early breakfast from London 0600 The Breakfast Show Dusty Miller 0900 Dave Windsor-Gold 1000 News & FIBS Morning Show 1200 News 3" FIBS Announcements 1215 The Archers 1230 BFBS Reports 1300 Newsplus 1330 Sid Olivera 1603 Essential selection 1703 Connect UK - Andy Wright 1900 Evening show 2100 News & Rock Show 2300 News & London Tonight

TUESDAY

0000 London Tonight 0200 As Monday 0300 News & Gold Dave Windsor 0400 As Monday 1900 Evening show from MPA 2100 News & Rockola 2203 News & London Tonight

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THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

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Summary of policies by candidates in the General Election.

“Not prepared to sign away oil”



Sharon Halford is married to John and they have two daughters. Sandi and Sara. The family live in Stanley

Standing for Stanley S Halford

I HAVE decided to stand for re-election because I believe in continuity. My circumstances have not changed; I have no interests in any companies other than Falkland Farmers. With an increasing workload I believe Councillors commitment should be more than part time and if elected I would remain out of full time employment during my term in office

The standard of our long term future could become apparent with the possibility of oil being discovered. or not, the new council will face decisions which will have far reaching consequences

What will we do with any revenue we may earn

Are we prepared to sign documentation agreeing to split any revenue with the UK prior to knowing what quantities and quality of oil may be found

Our infrastructural needs should be kept within our means. no oil may result in a need to revisit our priorities in this area with a view to slowing down in some areas

I do not believe in counting one's chickens before they hatch and feel the same about signing away something we may not acquire

I am not prepared to change my views on Argentina. No Argentinians should be allowed access to the Falklands when travelling on Ar-

gentine passports except bona fide relatives on next of kin visits. We are not obliged to allow anyone into the Falklands regardless of their passport if it is considered not to be in the National interest

Since Chevening the Argentine Foreign Minister has accepted and stated that nothing will happen without the agreement of the Falkland Islanders. I have not in the past nor would I consider in the future discussing our sovereignty with Argentina. Talks on fishing, oil, conservation and the environment will however need to continue

Immigration is of paramount concern to me. Whilst we need to import certain skills we should adopt a very strict points system that would not be discriminatory. Any immigration means the need to reassess many services including housing which is vital for residents as well as immigrants

I believe we should continue to

Support our fishing industry with the overall emphasis being on conserving our stocks both within territorial waters and on the high seas. Argentinian co-operation is necessary for this but no agreement after much talking can only suggest their total lack of commitment

Maintain our excellent medical and educational systems with some minor fine tuning to allow for training those who are not academically gifted

Review our old age pensions on an annual basis

Continue with plans for more sheltered and residential accommodation for those in need both young and old

Aim at careful planning that could be followed through thereby avoiding another Landholdings land release saga

Our major asset is our land therefore it is important to look for ways to improve and enrich this whilst continuing to support those who farm and keep it for us

Reading my brief views I hope you consider me worth supporting

“Reassess role of councillors”

Mike Summers is married to Jaqui, and lives in Stanley

Standing for Stanley M V Summers

1. THE role of councillors in the process of Government needs to be reassessed. Whilst councillors are responsible for creating policy, they are not accountable to the electorate for the effective execution of that policy since they have no direct role in its implementation. There needs to be a clear written statement of the role of councillors within the Government structure, including the making of policy and their responsibilities for seeing that it is properly carried out. This is the essence of democratic accountability

2. This will result in more work for councillors who are increasingly hard pressed to deal with ever increasingly complex decisions. There is a need to examine the options to assist councillors, including the possibility of some full time members, greater specialisation by individual councillors, and the creation of a Civic Committee of 3 Stanley Councillors and others to deal with Stanley matters

3. The strength of the economy is the key to Falklands success: income from wages, pensions and private sector profits rely on this strength. The economic planning process must be pushed forward to enable better informed decisions on the rate of capital expenditure. Faster expenditure results in higher costs, more temporary workers and less economic retention. Slower rates means that some

projects will have to wait longer, and I tend to favour caution. The completion of an economic plan based on known census and capital expenditure demands, policies for fishing, oil, agriculture and tourism, and agreed levels of service provision would give us a clear view of the best route ahead

4. A strong immigration policy with rigorous selection and follow up procedures is required

5. Expenditure in the Operational budget should be assessed according to whether it is essential/desirable, and whether it provides longer term benefit

6. Revenue sharing from oil should be at our sole discretion, and based on payment for defence, followed if funds allow, by educational and medical programmes in UK. The amount and timing of any contribution should be entirely our choice

7. In education we must aim for higher academic standards together with focused vocational education programmes at senior level. At infant and junior level firm plans are required for the relocation of FIDE and redevelopment of the site for the school. An agreed slot in the capital programme must be obtained

7. In international affairs my stance is:

- absolutely no compromise on sovereignty

- no further direct talks with Argentina at political level until they drop their claim

- continued discussions at official level on fishing and oil

- no admission of Argentinians other than next of kin

- official level involvement in high seas fishing and environmental matters for the protection of our livelihood



8. My personal qualities are - extensive knowledge of fishing, oil, agriculture and tourism industries, and the economy - experience of the structure and workings of government - knowledge of all the major issues which face us and 20 years political involvement - strength of character, educational background, and experience of negotiations at all levels - 6th generation Islander with 14 years international experience

“Managers must be allowed to manage”

Alan is married to Jennifer, they have two sons, Phillip and Simon. The family live in Stanley

Standing for Stanley A Jones



I'M Alan Jones and I'm standing for the Stanley Constituency. I have lived in the Falklands for 12 years with my family, first at Fox Bay Village and latterly Stanley

I have some experience in politics which includes serving in several key roles at constituency level for the Labour Party, as well as being a Senior Representative for the Association of Professional, Executive, Clerical and Computer Staffs

Community work has always been important to me: I was Chairman of Fox Bay Village Council and Chairman of the Civil Servants Association. Currently I am

Chairman of the F.I. Branch of the Royal British Legion and Chairman of FIODA Theatre 2000

That's me, now my views

Decision making in the Islands must be elected council's responsibility. This can only be achieved with full-time councillors - possibly two or three - who would carry most of the increasing work-load, make bold decisions and give us action. This will be one of my priorities

I think a public enquiry should look at the Hay Review. The system is flawed, was badly managed and has neglected some important aspects, e.g., a career and training

“Long term solutions for problems in Camp”

Richard is married to Toni. They have two children, Caris and Liam, and live at Port Sussex Farm on East Falkland

Standing for Camp R Stevens

I HAVE seen my role as a Camp councillor as identifying the problems in camp and working for long term solutions and development

We must not weaken our stance on sovereignty, but take the initiative and carry on allowing Argentinians in as long as they use a non-Argentine passport. This has enabled Argentine media to visit. We have had some positive press in Argentina which helps to dispel some misconceptions. Those who advocate unrestricted access to Argentinians to educate them, forget the 70's and early 80's when thousands came to shop. This did not stop the war. It also sends the wrong signals to the outside world

We do have to discuss fish and oil. We have taken the responsible route on fish by asking for a long term agreement. We must also demand high standards from Argentina with oil in the joint area

I believe oil, if it is in commercial quantities, will make us less vulnerable to outside pressures. I believe that UK are entitled to some percentage but we should cover our own long term needs first. We should have some say where the money is to be spent in the UK

On the political front we have to develop. The system at the moment is inadequate. Weighty subjects need more debate in house and with the public and we need to move towards full time councillors

Communications: I have worked for the VHF upgrade which needs to be completed. The next stage is to negotiate a minimum response time for faults in camp. This is important for all

I have supported two gangs, East and West, and would work towards completion of major roads Island wide in this next session. We now



need to develop maintenance contracts - job opportunities in Camp. Campers outside the road network living on small islands should receive reduced FIGAS fares

Now is the time to negotiate scheduled ferry runs with Byron Marine to correspond with peak movements of tourists, local and overseas, shearers and school holidays, to alleviate the congestion which FIGAS struggles with each year

I will push for councillors to meet at least once on the East and once on the West each year, or each Camp councillor being responsible for visiting an area each year

Farming: I will support funding for reseed in advance of finding a suitable legume, machinery pools and FIG covering the risk on new ventures

I would like to see FIG buy trees in bulk and sell at cost or even subsidised, and make available to all inhabitants

I would like to see FIG control FLII, so that commercial practices do not reduce the population any further

Camp wages are not very attractive, wool prices are not very good. The last council spoke unanimously about getting people out to camp. The new school hostel demonstrates the commitment to Camp, however, unless more young families are tempted out to Camp and the existing people remain, we will not have to build anything too big

Alan Jones ... continued

structure for civil servants, streamlining of the Administration, the re-assessment of the Chief Executive's role - his private sector commitments should be handled by FIDC. Managers should be allowed to manage, and take responsibility for discipline. It is time we had Industrial Relations legislation to protect employees from the kind of dictatorial attitude that imposed the Hay Review and General Orders without proper consultation. A wages commission should be set up. It is improper that wages are negotiated with senior civil servants. Industrial Relations will be another of my priorities

Trickle immigration won't work. You cannot plan for the fu-

ture without knowing numbers and this means a strategic policy

The Infant/Junior School cannot cope with increasing numbers, and soon the Community School will also be too small. There are several options which need to be discussed by everyone - discussed and actioned very soon

I believe students and parents should decide which college students attend for Further Education. No financial ceiling should be placed on Local Authority funded colleges

We must give urgent consideration to providing leisure interests for the Islands' youth

Government should give more financial assistance to sport for

“More financial help for senior citizens”

Ben Claxton is married to Margaret. They have two sons and two daughters. Ben and Margaret live in Stanley

Standing for Stanley Ben Claxton



THE following are issues I would like the next Council to address. Except for the first, they are not necessarily in order of priority

Our Senior Citizens are the people who have helped the Islands survive and many times in their lives have suffered hardship and belt-tightening. Though pensions compare favourably with those in the UK the cost of living is 40% higher. There should be more financial help for Senior Citizens

Children get a good basic education here and overseas. However, when they are qualified they do need jobs. Students who want to become tradesmen need proper professionally organised training from qualified instructor tradesmen

The Infant/Junior School is still inadequate, even after the new extension, and I would like to see more resources available for pre-school education

A healthy private sector is the backbone of any economy and every encouragement must be given, though we must take care not to create monopolies. Competition is the only sure way of keeping prices down. Also income from fishing will not last forever and could disappear for many reasons. Government, farmers and private enterprise should be making more efforts to diversify, which could lead, as I said in 1993, to the Islands becoming partly self-supporting in basic foodstuffs

There is a 90% chance that oil will not be discovered so we should be concentrating on more important aspects of the future well-being of the Falklands. If it is, there should not be a pre-dis-

covery formula with Britain. If it is, we should be looking to employ (in one/two years) an oil-industry-wise executive to look after our interests

Sovereignty is not, nor ever will be, for discussion. Talks at lower levels on oil, fishing etc., should continue, and we should have an observer at talks between FCO and Argentina

Wind power is now being investigated. Solar power should be looked at too

The monsoon ditches along the MPA road are unnecessary and could be filled, or part filled, at very little cost. Likewise if small holes were to be filled as they appear savings could be made on spares for vehicles, plus road gang labour, amongst other expenses

Rather than refurbish the Town Hall perhaps a new Civic Centre could be built, with a pool/snooker room, bowling alley, running track etc. This could cater for the young and old of our community

We need more sheltered accommodation, similar to the Thatcher Drive units, designed and built around what the elderly, and their families, want

We still seem to be no nearer to formulating an immigration policy. Workers at MPA should not have the vote unless they intend to stay here permanently. As a small community we cannot risk having voters who are just here for the money and then gone

If elected I would represent your views, what you want. I would be only one among eight but I would be a people's councillor, the voice of the people, not just an individual

If you want someone you can trust, without fear or favour, then vote for me. But whatever you do, please, use your vote

If elected I will uphold the present policy on dealings with Argentina

I urge you to listen to the radio broadcast and read my manifesto in full. If you agree with my views then perhaps you will consider giving me, Alan Jones, one of your votes

Summary by J Cheek on page 10

Continued: Summary of candidates policies

"Continue policy of Councillors not attending talks with Argentine politicians"

Jan Cheek was married to the late John Cheek. She has two daughters, Rosalind and Miranda. Jan lives in Stanley.

**Standing for Stanley
J L Cheek**

THE limit of 500 words means I must concentrate on just a few main issues here. For any further information on anything after you have heard my FIBS address please call me at Tel 21372 or Fax 21940.

We must continue the policy of councillors not attending talks with Argentine politicians and officials. Talks on overlapping stocks should only involve our civil servants.

We should not permit entry to those using Argentine passports except when humanitarian considerations require it, for example the family war grave visits.

These are two of the strongest ways for us to demonstrate our refusal to bow to pressure or blackmail from outside. Argentina will continue to press for concessions but we must stand firm because we believe in our right to our Islands.

If and when Argentina becomes a mature and confident democracy it can demonstrate its good faith by dropping its outdated and unfounded claim.

Caution is needed in the

economy, we are spending more than we can afford, because unless there is oil in exploitable quantities, revenues will fall in real terms while operating costs rise. We rely almost entirely on fishing revenue which should be realistically viewed as uncertain. This year's poor loligo catches should be seen as a warning as we already use the entire illex revenue to maintain the Civil Service at its present level.

I believe it is irresponsible to try to please everyone by committing funds to so many capital projects when most of them will be a further drain on the economy. The new council will have the difficult task of sticking to a clear priority list and ensuring that projects will be a viable use of the taxpayer's money.

We must give education and medical services priority in expenditure. They have improved much in recent years and are a way in which everyone can benefit from revenues. However there is no room for complacency, there are many areas where development is possible. I would like to think that our professionals are aware of this and would welcome constructive criticism.

Leading up to oil licensing we have received many assurances that legislation necessary to protect our environment will be in place. I want to make sure that the legal and physical logistics of enforcement are thought through and that we are not



just going through the motions. We may need potential oil revenues but not at the expense of our special way of life.

Having often raised the issue, I welcomed the recent attention being given to Standards in Public Life. Those standards will only rise if councillors lead the way by complying with the letter and the spirit of the rules. If elected I will always declare an interest in fishing and any other matters in which I have any business involvement. Whether the interest or possible benefit is great or small, the principle is the same and interest must be declared.

Please exercise your democratic right to vote, the future is in your hands.

Late letter

LegCo candidates not the only members of community to defy natural selection

I REFER to E. Anderson's comment entitled "Survival of the (Un) fittest" in *Penguin News* of September 19, 1997. May I suggest that Legislative candidates are not the only high profile members of your community to have demonstrated the ability to defy natural selection.

Captain R McGill
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News from South America provided by Mercopress

New Chilean Antarctic Base
THE Chilean Army inaugurated last September 11, a new station in the Antarctic continent. The *General Ramon Canas Montalva* station is the former British refuge *View Point Hut* and is located to the East of Dose Bay in the Weddell Sea next to the Trinity peninsula. The Army has plans to establish a twelve months camp in the new station and in the not too distant future a landing strip. The new refuge is part of an expansion programme undertaken by Chile to celebrate its half century in the Antarctic continent.

Chubut Fishermen Reject Agreement with Europe
The Trade Federation of the province of Chubut in Patagonia officially requested the Argentine government to repeal the present fisheries agreement with Europe since, it has only benefited Spanish banks and fishing companies. In the same document the Federation demanded an end to the squid licensing system which it claims only favours Japanese and Korean contractors.

The Federation also claims that the Spanish trawlers have over fished and are directly responsible for the drop in the capture rate and size of hake in much of the South Atlantic. As far as squid is concerned, the Federation indicates the present system has had a negative effect for Argentine companies and crews.

In 1994 Argentina and Europe signed a five years fisheries agreement to encourage the creation of joint ventures with European funding, and conservation of resources in the South Atlantic.

In related news, in Rio Negro (Patagonia) officials announced a two month ban on fishing in the San Matias Gulf area to protect spawning hake.

A seabird monitoring project, proposed by Falkland Conservation and recommended by the Forum as a priority is expected to begin this summer and a draft Exploration Drilling Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and an Oil Spill Contingency Plan (OSCP) will be circulated to environmentalists shortly for their consideration.

Department of Oil: Stand at the American Association of Petroleum Geologists Exhibition in Vienna (AAPG)

The Department of Oil had a stand in the International Pavilion at the AAPG exhibition in Vienna in early September. The objective was for the Falkland Islands Government to continue to promote offshore oil exploration in Falklands waters and to inform oil companies of present activities and future plans for the area. A wide interest was shown in the Falklands offshore particularly with first drilling pending next year.

after Amerada Hess have completed the first well. Five wells are planned for the first phase of exploration which is likely to last until the first half of 1999.

FOSA Supply Contract
A contract for the supply of goods and services required to support the drilling programme has been let on behalf of FOSA but no decisions have been made on awarding a contract. The vast costs involved with drilling wells in the South Atlantic requires operators to examine all options and the process is ongoing.

Environmental Matters
A meeting of the Falklands Environmental Forum was postponed in early September due to the absence of a number of members from the Islands. A chairman is still being sought for the Forum.

A meeting is now planned for early December.

Meanwhile, a considerable amount of work is being carried out by the operators' environmental representatives and Falklands Conservation to safeguard the environment.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, Penguin News are unable to provide a summary of the election policies of Mr Lewis Clifton. We hope to rectify this in next week's publication

Falkland Islands Offshore Oil Exploration Newsletter (Sept/Oct)

FOSA Contract Signed
AMERADA Hess, Shell, LASMO, and IPC have announced that they signed the Falklands Offshore Sharing Agreement at the end of August. FOSA comprises representatives from each Operator and working groups have been appointed to address the activities leading to exploration drilling. These include environmental, communications and logistics work groups.

Dolphin Drilling Ltd. Contracted to Drill in Falklands Waters
Amerada Hess has signed a three year rig contract with Norwegian based Drilling Ltd., for the Borgny Dolphin, which will drill the first well in the Falklands in May 1998. The rig, an enhanced Aker H3 design, will go into a yard in Western Norway for the upgrades necessary to enable it to drill in water depths up to 500 metres, and for full recertification, in October this year. Other FOSA operators will be assigned the rig

Students study job options on Employment Day

YEAR ten students from the Community School were able to enjoy a day with a difference on Friday, September 19, thanks to teachers combining with government officials, Falklands Conservation, FIDC and private companies, to organise Employment Day 1997.

Employment Day has been part of the Community School careers programme for several years, and was designed to give students the opportunity to visit government departments and private businesses to see them in action and, also, to gauge the level of interest they may hold as future potential employers.

Deciding this year on an innovative approach it was suggested that the abattoir and quarry projects currently being progressed by FIDC and PWD would provide an ideal opportunity for students to experience the team interaction side of work as well as seeing the large number of trades, skills, expertise, and sheer number of people involved.

Following a briefing from Ian



Above: Year Ten disembark from the bus at Pony's Pass Quarry

Dempster, Projects Manager for the abattoir, the students were taken to the PWD Design and Planning office, where Tony Lee and Graeme Fiddes explained the need for detailed, accurate plans, and then onto a meeting with Edgar Sutton at the windswept Pony's Pass Quarry.

Edgar showed the students how

the plans they had studied at the Design office were translating into reality at the quarry, before Bob Hancox went on to explain road design, route planning and construction, emphasising that there is more to roads than just the top layer, and that civil engineering is not just for men.

At the new abattoir site Becky

Ingham, of Falklands Conservation talked to the students about the environmental impact of new schemes. The trip was then enlivened by Mandy McLeod discussing the agricultural and retail aspects of the abattoir development.

After lunch the diversity of career interests within year ten were clearly demonstrated by the eleven sites selected for further visits. Students dispersed, courtesy of transport provided by Lorraine McGill, to FIGAS, Civil Aviation, Fisheries, Agriculture, the Secretariat, Treasury, KEMH, the Printing Office, Police Station, Malвина House Hotel and Cable & Wireless.

The next phase of the careers programme will involve students in a full-time, temporary, work experience placement in November. Careers Officer, Phil Middleton, was keen to express his gratitude for all those who took time out from busy days to talk about their work, show groups around and answer questions.

Craft Fair Creativity

THE Falklands Craft Fair 1997 was held in the Community School street over the weekend September 20/21, with items made, spun, knitted, crocheted, built, woven, embroidered, or simply photographed on display for public admiration.



Above: Visitors to the Craft Fair are captivated by entries in the Model Section



Above right: Caris Stevens points to her prize-winning entry



Mike Hughes accepts a cheque for £1,000 on behalf of the Seamen's Centre. The cash was raised from customers of the Oasis, at MPA, and Gordon the Gopher who travelled to such exotic places as Ascension to help the cause.

Shaun Jaffray in the Children's Model section, to the wildlife pictures vividly drawn by Chelsea Parsons in the Art category.

Altogether there were sixty five sections in fourteen categories. Points were awarded for placings in the various sections and then totalled to produce an outright winner from each category and then overall points winners.



Category Points Winners

- Section A: Homespun Wool - The Hardcastles.
- Section B: Knitting - Phyllis Jaffray.
- Section C: Weaving and Basketwork - Liz Burnett.
- Section D: Sewing and Crochet - Bernadette Paver.
- Section E: Embroidery, Tapestry and Cross-stitch - Phyllis Jaffray.
- Section F: Soft Toy Making - Emily Goodwin.
- Section G: Rugmaking and Macrame - Viv Perkins.
- Section H: Hornwork, Gearmaking, Leatherwork and Skins - The Hardcastles.
- Section I: Woodwork, Metalwork and Glasswork - George O'Connell.
- Section J: Pottery, Jewellery and Sculpture - Marion Purvis.
- Section K: Modelmaking - Shaun Jaffray.
- Section L: Art - Carolyn Normand.
- Section M: Photography - John Adams.
- Section N: Any Other Handicraft Item - Caris Stevens.
- Cable & Wireless plc Challenge Cup and Miniature for Adult With Most Points Overall - Phyllis Jaffray.
- FIDC Challenge Cup and Miniature for Adult Runner-Up - The Hardcastles.
- FIC Ltd Challenge Cup and Medallion for Child With Most Points Overall - Ashley Jaffray.
- FIC Ltd Challenge Cup and Medallion for Children's Runner-Up - Caris Stevens.
- SCB Rose Bowl and Miniature for Person with Most Points in Sections A, B and C - The Hardcastles.
- George Porter Challenge Cup for Person With Most Points in Sections H and I - Kevin Marsh and Colin Davies.

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Sale of Surplus Government Vehicles

The Falkland Islands Government has for sale 8 Lots of surplus vehicles located at the Central Store, Stanley. The vehicles may be viewed by arrangement with the Supplies Officer, Central Store during normal working hours. Tender documents are available from the Secretariat and tenders endorsed 'Sale of Surplus Government Vehicles' should be returned to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat, to reach him on or before Friday 3 October 1997. The Falkland Islands Government reserves the right to reject any tender received.

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NOTICES

There will be a meeting in the Day Centre at the KEMH on Monday 29th September at 7pm for anyone interested in Healthy Eating and Weight Control. All welcome from Emma, Health Promotion Counsellor at the KEMH

Attention - all keen walkers - Is anyone interested in forming a Rambler's Club in Stanley - Please contact Emma Tel 22111 (home) or 27420 (work)

At 7pm Thursday 2nd October there will be a meeting of Stanley Watersports Association in the Refreshment Room of the Town Hall

POOLES ICE CREAM

It's that time again and Pooles Icecream will be on sale outside his gate at 31 Fitzroy Road 3pm - 5pm Mon to Sat. Starting Mon 29th Sept

Department of Oil Public Meeting on Offshore Health & Safety

To be held on Thursday 2nd October at 6pm in the Geography Room of the Community School Robert Paterson and Moira Jones of the Health & Safety Executive will make an illustrated presentation on health and safety on oil rigs and the lessons learnt from the North Sea Piper Alpha disaster

The presentation will last about an hour

THE GARDEN CENTRE WILL BE CLOSED FOR REPAINTING FROM MONDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER TO FRIDAY 3RD OCTOBER
SHOP REOPENS SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER AT 2.00PM

FIDC OFFICE MOVE

We would like to inform all interested parties that the Falkland Islands Development Corporation has moved its offices to the refurbished Globe warehouse on Philomel Street. The move took place on 24 September 1997. Our telephone and fax numbers remain the same.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Parish Council for allowing us to use the Parish Hall over the past few months.

Due to overseas leave, the next flea market will be held in the Community School on Saturday 8th November. 2-4pm. Please contact me on Tel No. 21857 after 21st October to book a table. Many thanks, Anya Cofre

Stanley Nursery School, St. Mary's Annex has a few vacancies for 2-4 year olds.

Charges: £4 for 3 hour session 9 - 12 noon. Mid morning snack provided. Telephone 21851 or 21477 or call in at the Nursery any morning for details. Before and after school childminding: Charges £1 per hour. I will collect children from school. Telephone 21851 or 21477

NOTICES

Would the person(s) who removed a quantity of tongue and groove flooring from the Gordon Lines area please return it or contact Neil McKay without delay

To Rent: Three bedroom house in Stanley. Available November 1997. For further details please contact Ledingham Chalmers, Telephone 22690 Fax 22689

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Falkland Islands Government invites tenders from suitably qualified companies or individuals for the provision of a Training Needs Analysis for the Falkland Islands. Tender documents are available from the Secretariat, Stanley and completed tenders complying with the issued documents should be returned to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat, Stanley, to reach him on or before 4.30pm on 10 October 1997. Further information can be obtained by contacting the Director of Education, Stanley, during normal Office hours. The Falkland Islands Government reserves the right to reject any tender received

PERSONAL



On behalf of the Stephen Jaffray Memorial Fund, we would like to say a big thank you to Emazdad and all who helped him for the wonderful Magicians Show on Saturday 20th Sept. We are very grateful for the £350.30 raised towards the fund. Thanks also to Katrina for organizing the show with Emazdad and Jean Smith for the use of the hall

Belated 21st Birthday greetings to Cara. Hope you had a great day, love from Judy, Ginge and boys in Plymouth

POSTSCRIPT from the Cathedral

- What is your life? Are you a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes... You ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that" - James 4.16.

Now that the dust has settled on the grave of the Princess of Wales, it's time to reflect on what happened. We live in an age where many people move frequently in pursuit of better jobs or to be close to the school they want for their children and for a variety of other reasons. However, everything except our relationship with God must be held provisionally. In the end the practical concerns of this world will be meaningless and that end can happen very abruptly. The plain truth is that very few of us expect to be ambushed by death, and how shocked we are by the realization that we are unprepared for this, the most important journey of our lives.

Prayer

Father, help us to turn our eyes upon Jesus, and to see all our decisions and plans in the context of His eternal gift to us. Amen.

VACANCIES

The Falkland Islands Company Limited has an immediate vacancy for a part-time clerical assistant in the Spares Section. The requirement will be for approximately 3 hours per day on weekdays, mainly assisting with the preparation of orders and invoices and working with the spares database. Computer literacy would be an advantage although training will be given where necessary. Applicants should contact Stephen Luxton on 27678 for further details of the post

NOTICES

Stanley Running Club Spring Race Programme

Provisional dates for races leading up to the ½ marathon:

28th Sept. Fun run
19th Oct. Snakes & Ladders Race

9th Nov. Moody Brook Challenge

Training Schedule for ½ marathon:

Week 3

Sat. 27th - Walk briskly for 45 mins

Sun. 28th - Fun run - Stanley Leisure Centre 11.30am

Mon. 29th - jog 30 mins

Wed. 1st Oct - jog 5 miles slowly

Fri. 3rd - Run 45 mins

Sat. 4th - jog 20 mins

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Summers denies use of ExCo information for personal gain

CANDIDATE for the General Election and Ex-Councillor Mike Summers this week denied suggestions made by the Director of Public Works that he had used confidential Executive Council information for private gain.

In a letter to *Penguin News*, (Page 3) Mr Mike Forrest suggested that Mr Summers, having become aware of privatisation plans for the quarry (as a result of a PWD recommendation to Executive Council in December 1996 following ARC Southern's approach to PWD with a view to them opening a quarry) had used the information to the benefit of a company in which he was involved, called GP Investments.

Substitute signature!

Mr Forrest said that after the meeting, a letter had been sent to ARC on March 3 expressing interest in opening a dialogue on the possibilities of the future private operation of the quarry. The letter was from GP Investments, but was sent from Mr Summers' fax number and although apparently signed by Mr Stuart Wallace, Mr Forrest says, "The signature is not Stuart Wallace's, in fact the writing is not dissimilar to Mike Summers."

Mr Forrest also said he understood Mr Summers had not declared his interest in GP Investments when privatisation recommendations for the quarry first came to his attention as a member of Executive Council.

No declaration because no involvement

Having been invited to comment on the letter, Mr Summers said he had not declared an interest in the company because he was not seeking an involvement in privatising the quarry. He qualified this by saying that at a meeting of GP Investments on December 17 he had

advised the partners that he would not be able to participate in this business as the matter of the quarry had already been raised by Bill Luxton in GPC.

Privatisation discussed in early 1996

Mr Summers went on to say that GPI was set up in early 1996, and during the early days, "if Mike Forrest's memory is not too selective he will recall that the possibility of privatisation of the quarry was discussed way back then; it is hardly his brainchild." (Mr Forrest was originally a member of GPI). After the company was set up, Mr Summers said, he was involved in correspondence for GPI regarding an attempt to set up a joint venture with an outside construction company, but following this, he added, he was not involved greatly in GPI due to his election to council in October 1996.

Wallace raised subject of quarry

At the December 17 meeting of GPI, Mr Summers told *Penguin News*, Mr Stuart Wallace had again, "raised the possibility of finding a partner to offer to run or privatise the quarry." Mr Summers, despite his statement that he would not participate, agreed to draft a letter along the lines of those he had written for the earlier venture. This, he said, was simply secretarial assistance. There was nothing in the letter to ARC, he added, that was remotely confidential. Mr Wallace undertook to obtain the address and name of the appropriate person at ARC from the DPW (in Decem-

ber before the ExCo at which the DPW's detailed proposal was presented) however, explained Mr Summers, Mr Wallace did not provide contact details until late February, just before he left the Islands on a business trip, and did not sign the letter. As a result, Mr Summers redated and signed (unconventionally) Mr Wallace's name, and sent the letter on his partner's behalf.

"This may in the event have been unwise but it was certainly not immoral," opined Mr Summers.

Defends integrity

Defending his integrity, Mr Summers said that at the meeting of ExCo on February 20 he had argued that a company who managed the quarry should not be allowed to bid to be a private operator as they would then have an unfair advantage. "Why," asks Mr Summers, "if I had some personal interest in working with ARC, would I argue that they should be debarred from the business Mr Forrest alleges I was pursuing... and having obtained this decision, which was wholly against the interests of GPI, if I were the sort of person who divulged ExCo information I could have told them, but did not (otherwise Stuart Wallace would not have contacted them again in April)."

Responding to Mr Forrest's question "What else have GP Investments and Councillor Summers been involved in?" Mr Summers commented that mainly due to his no longer being able to run GPI, "it was decided to put the partnership into dormancy. There have been no other meetings or activity

on this or any other matter since then."

Wallace responds

On the subject of the involvement of consultants, their identity and the possibility of the privatisation of the quarry, Mr Stuart Wallace told *Penguin News* that this, "was all public knowledge at the time our group discussed the matter."

He went on to say, "Mike Summers acted as the Group's secretary at that time and would normally have written and signed any letters on our behalf. In this case he had indicated that he would not be participating personally in any quarry related business. I had undertaken to finalise and sign the letter in question, but forgot. To expedite matters Mike, as our secretary, signed on my behalf... We had no access to any information from ExCo and so had to rely as usual on rumour and conjecture."

Plan for the future

AT a press conference called to announce that the newly formed Islands Planning Committee held their first meeting on September 23, Chairman, Andrew Gurr, explained the fundamental aim of the committee is to plan for the future of the Islands, though, he said, "we cannot plan the future perfectly because events change things."

In spite of this pre-condition the committee's terms of reference, approved by Executive Council, are wide ranging and include, "just about everything," from the economy of the Islands to energy to law and order.

Mr Gurr expects the committee to have evolved the "bare bones" of the plan within six months with the fully detailed plan emerging in a year and a half.

They will be trying, said Mr Gurr, to understand what people want and guide government departments accordingly. "We are not a decision making committee," Mr Gurr explained, "but we may be able to highlight options for Executive Council to action."

Where there's smoke...



Stanley's fire-fighters swing into action to deal with a smoke incident. Fortunately only an exercise the incident demonstrated the fast response of the emergency services. (Oct 1)

Summary of Election policies from Lewis Clifton on page 11



WHILE aware that the Stanley electorate have been claiming themselves hard pressed to satisfactorily allot their five votes to suitable candidates, some residents may still be surprised at the extent of that dissatisfaction: the prevalence of which was revealed when *Penguin News* conducted a survey of the electorate's attitude to the 1997 General Election.

In the results of the survey (see centre pages) only a staggeringly small amount, 23.3%, of those questioned said they would be using all five of their votes; and, while it is easy to empathise with the dilemma of those individuals who feel unable to assign the majority of their votes, they should perhaps bear in mind that their action may do little more than allow a number of candidates to be successfully elected on the strength of very few votes.

Electors should therefore carefully consider the possible consequences of not using all five of their votes - one of these being the potential election of a candidate they least favour, as opposed to one they might marginally prefer.

ON the matter of Mr Forrest's letter regarding Mr Summers, in the interests of fairness and timing (with regard to the election) *Penguin News* felt it appropriate that Mr Summers be given the chance to respond in this issue.

TO answer the question posed by my honourable parent in the first paragraph of the letter entitled 'Truth a novel concept', I feel obliged to point out that the editorial comment to which he refers, a growing number of Islanders feel it would be a positive move should private individuals or groups (but non-governmental representatives) attempt to become involved in 'educating' Argentine citizens with regard to the Falklands way of life, was based entirely on comments made to me in conversation with local people over the past months. In the interests of clarity, I must add that the 'growing number' is in itself extremely small, but compared to some years ago when no Islanders uttered such suggestions, it does accurately qualify as a 'growing number'. Whether or not the concept in question is a useful one is arguable, but I would doubt that it is a harmful one.

While there is actually little in Mr Watson's letter with which I am inclined to argue, on the matter of Argentine reports about the Islands, from my experience of having read translations of most, I can state that while there is still a certain amount of nationalistic nonsense written about our situation by the more histrionic of Argentine journalists - on the whole, reporters who have actually visited the Islands have gone on to report reasonably accurately on what they have been told by the ordinary resident and Islands' officials.

Data Entry Clerk, Fisheries Department

The Fisheries Department has an immediate vacancy for a Data Entry Clerk. The main duties of this position will be the routine entry of information from catch logbooks.

The successful applicants should have basic computer and typing skills. Salary is in grade H ranging from £8,964 per annum to £11,208 per annum. Entry point will depend on the successful applicants qualifications and relevant experience.

For further details of the post contact the Data Manager, Mrs Greta Skene at the Fisheries Department on telephone number 27260 during normal working hours.

Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4 pm on 10th October 1997.



Probably the Islands' most photographed resident this week. A frequent visitor to Stanley's sea wall, 'Sammy' made a guest appearance mid-week but eventually found the attention a little wearing. One observer is reported to have commented, "if he lies there doing nothing long enough he'll be voted in to council."

Your letters

Truth a novel concept

I WOULD like to take issue with your comment in *Penguin News*, number 29, that a growing number of Islanders approve of the concept of educating Argentinians with regard to the Falkland way of life. Presumably hoping that this will lead to a dropping of their sovereignty claim. What evidence do you have to support your comment?

In my view, as one who has closely followed the political scene with regard to the Argentine for over 30 years, there is as much chance of the Argentines dropping their claim as there is of the sun rising in the west. Those that cling to this belief must be totally naive, uninformed or have some personal or financial interest in contacts with Argentina.

Although a believer that anonymous comment is best disregarded, I have to ask the anonymous Camper what evidence is there that the Robertson/Bound lecture tour made one iota of difference to the status quo. I find Rodney's view that Argentine reporters might write the truth about us quite a novel concept!

I cannot see how we can make exceptions to the rule barring Argentine passport holders from entering the Islands. Either the ruling exists or it doesn't. Make one or two exceptions and the trickle becomes a wave becomes a flood.

However, if, as you assert, this mood of educational contact is growing, I have to ask, were there no lessons at all learned from Chevening? There the extent of Argentine deviousness, deceit and skulduggery was available for even the most blinkered pro-Argentine to see.

Having been associated with the F.I. Committee/Association in one form or another for many years, I must agree with and commend Peter Pepper for his letter and revelations about the South Atlantic Council. They are and always have been very bad news for our Islands. No doubt the SAC will be delighted at the possibility of oil support services going to Argentina. Comodoro Rivadavia of all places - what irony.

Neil Watson
Former Chairman Falkland
Islands Committee.

Forsyth denies secret lobby

YOU published in your issue of September 19 a letter from Peter Pepper under the heading "SAC (South Atlantic Council) a secret lobby?". I attach a copy of my letter of September 18 to Peter Pepper which I hope will correct this impression.

Dear Peter, I have been consulting on the subject of the release of names of our members. I think you will find that it is standard practice for societies like the SAC not to release names of members without their consent. (This is so, for example, with the Anglo Columbian Society of

which I am chairman).

I take your point about Falkland Islanders not wishing to participate without knowing who they are participating with. Subject to agreement with the Executive Committee we will send a circular to our members requesting their assent to release of their names, in appropriate cases (ie, not to commercial enquirers).

The majority of our members do not have Argentine business interests. Obviously they are interested in South Atlantic matters or they would not be members!

Alastair Forsyth

Holiday Scheme unfair

I REFER to His Excellency, the Governor's comments on the 'Holiday Credit Scheme' in his last ExCo roundup.

I always thought that the administration of this scheme would be a nightmare, however, the exclusion of all employees benefitting from a company passage is discrimination. If the Administration wish to spite those Government employees who refused to sign onto Hay, that is an internal FIG matter.

It is unfortunate that Honourable members did not undertake proper research into the terms and conditions of the Private Sector employees who do not enjoy over-inflated civil servant salaries before making such wide ranging rules.

If this exclusion is adopted, I presume Councillors, who receive an accompanied overseas trip once during their term of office, will also be excluded?

Brian Summers
Stanley

Write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley, Falkland Islands

"We need councillors who put our interests before their own"

IN your August 15, 1997, issue you published a letter from Councillor Mike Summers. Your article was headed, "I have never crossed the boundaries of propriety says Councillor Summers". In his letter Councillor Summers invited debate from members of the public on the issue of Standards in Public Life, and urged persons to make their views known.

I am writing in response to that invitation.

Last December the Public Works Department recommended to Executive Council that Pony's Pass Quarry be privatised. A detailed paper was presented to Executive Council in January, and at the February meeting Executive Council were advised that PWD had been approached by ARC Southern with a view to them operating the quarry. It was this approach which had generated the original proposal. At that time, whilst the involvement of ARC with PWD was in the public domain, the privatisation discussions with ARC were not, and had been kept confidential within the Department.

Executive Council met on February 20. On March 3 ARC were

faxed a letter from GP Investments, expressing interest, "in opening a dialogue (with ARC) on the possibilities of future private operation of the quarry". The letter was signed Stuart Wallace. The address of GP is given as Waverley House. The fax transmission number on the letter is 22161, which is Mike Summers'. The signature is not Stuart Wallace's. In fact the writing is not dissimilar to Mike Summers'.

The letter describes GP Investments as, "a newly formed group whose purpose is to identify, evaluate and, if feasible, participate in business opportunities in the Falklands." It further states, amongst other things, that, "the group see opportunities in several areas including the new hydrocarbons exploration industry, infrastructure development, and services to MOD at Mount Pleasant," and, "It is the Falkland Islands Governments' policy to encourage local businesses to undertake as much of the economic activity as is possible either directly or with outside partners in joint venture...and there is no doubt that local operatives under the guidance of some more commercially

minded management, with specialist technical backup from yourselves, could be highly successful." GP Investment's aims are very wide ranging. The intention appears to be to get involved in a number of activities.

There is something very seriously wrong here. Section 18 of Standing Orders for the Legislative Council clearly states that whether or not he has recorded his interest in the register of interests, he must always do so when speaking or voting on a subject in which he has an interest. If Councillor Summers was already seeking involvement with ARC in privatisation of the quarry before it was discussed at Executive Council, did he say so when the PWD paper was first presented? I understand he didn't. The alternative is that he wrote to ARC after the matter was discussed at Executive Council? If so this would, in my opinion, be a case of a councillor using confidential information for private gain. Why sign the letter Stuart Wallace? Stuart is a big boy and can write his own letters. What was Councillor Summers' involvement? What else have GP Investments and Councillor Summers been involved in?

Standing Orders are inadequate. They state members may enter their interests in a Register, they are not required to do so. As stated, Members must declare an interest when voting or speaking on an item in which they have an interest. However, if they don't there are no penalties. In other words not a lot can be done about contraventions. This must be changed. Urgently.

Michael J. Forrest

ExCo salutes Christie

Copy of a letter from Executive Council to the F.I. Association

WE were very saddened to hear of the death recently of Bill Hunter-Christie, one of the founding fathers of the Falkland Islands Committee and the Association, and in the 1970's one of the Falklands' greatest friends in need.

The triumvirate of Christie, Barton and Mitchell, with the invaluable assistance of Michael Clarke-Hutchinson, reacted swiftly and in the event successfully, at a time of severe political crisis for the Falklands, to mobilise support and prevent a disastrous deal with the Argentines which would have quickly resulted in our handover.

For many years thereafter Bill

Surely we are entitled to expect our elected Members to declare everything rather than the minimum that they perceive as being necessary, or merely what they wish to disclose, or what they think they can get away with.

If a councillor is involved in a business there is clearly no harm as long as the voters know. We all have to work. However, if a councillor wishes to be involved in a business, or a number of businesses, covering widely different areas, he will have that many interests to declare that he will be of little use to the electorate. In such a case the individual should consider whether he should be a councillor at all, unless, of course, he sees it as an avenue to furthering his own position.

We are at a cross-roads with the possibility of significant changes and business opportunities in the Islands over the next few years. In that time we will need councillors who will put our interests first, not their own. We don't want representatives who become involved in businesses by virtue of their role as councillors.

I have not written this letter lightly. I could have sat back and said nothing like a lot of people who are afraid to rock the boat. There are, however, principles at stake. Our elected members need to be aware that there are people who are prepared to stick their heads above the parapet, are prepared to stand up for what is right, and are prepared to expose crossings of the boundaries of propriety.

worked with dedication and enthusiasm in the interests of the Falkland Islands, on many occasions putting the well-being of the Islands before his work and private life. It was Bill's sense of commitment and of right which motivated many of those now running the Association.

Bill Hunter-Christie was without doubt one of the greatest of Falklands' friends, and we mourn his passing.

We would be grateful if you would pass our condolences to his family.

Executive Council
of the Falkland Islands

Celia Szusterman

Room for a little one?

ARRIVING on the *Anne Boye* this month are four miniature horses, the property of Susie and Ian Hansen of Main Point Farm, West Falklands. It is the couple's intention to breed the miniatures, and at first only sell colt foals.

Miniature horses generally vary in height from 14" to 24". They should have a high head carriage and be kind in temperament. They make good pets, relating well to humans, and they enjoy pulling tiny traps and being ridden if large enough. The draft type of miniature horse was used in the coal mines and the more elegant type has been the pride of many important families throughout the world.

Susie Hansen explains how she became interested in miniature horses:

I FIRST became really interested in miniature horses when I began corresponding with Janice Barnett Deakin from Cornwall several years ago. However, it was only when Janice made us a special offer in 1993 that we became serious about importing them.

Initially I only wanted one or two as pets, it was only after much interest from other people and having realised how popular they were world wide that we considered importing them in to the Islands to breed.

We had also been offered stock



Susie and Ian's miniature stallion Stardust



Penguin Profile: 3 from the Environmental Research Unit, PO Box 434

ALL penguins are capable of diving to depths of over 100m, and the larger penguin species, such as

King Penguins, can dive to depths of over 300m. However, because they have a relatively small body size compared to seals and cetaceans, penguins are not able to store enough oxygen to sustain them during such dives. The underwater pressure compresses the air held in the lungs and air-sacs, and consequently these airways can only provide about a third of the oxygen requirements needed for deep dives.

Haemoglobin in red blood cells holds a certain amount of oxygen in all animals, so as to circulate oxygen from the lungs to other parts of the body. In penguins, the blood has a much higher concentration of haemoglobin than is necessary solely for circulatory needs, and this is used as an oxygen store for underwater dives. In addition the muscle tissues have high concentrations of myoglobin, which

also stores oxygen in the very place that it is most needed, underwater swimming.

Nevertheless, despite these adaptations penguins are still unable to hold sufficient oxygen within their bodies to sustain deep dives. They have therefore evolved physiological adaptations that enable them to use anaerobic respiration (the production of energy in the absence of oxygen).

In humans, when muscles become overworked, the build up of lactic acid resulting from anaerobic respiration quickly causes pain and muscle fatigue. In penguins however, the muscle tissues contain high levels of an enzyme called *lactate dehydrogenase*, which allows muscles to continue working anaerobically, and to tolerate a build up of lactic acid. This stored lactic acid is later expelled from the body when normal breathing is resumed, during periods of surface rest or shallow diving.

And now a question: Are penguin eyes primarily adapted for good vision on land, or at sea? Answer in Penguin Profile: 4.



Susie talks to the animals at Kilcummer Stud

from Mrs Tikki Adorian, of Toyhorse International in Sussex. When visiting England last year we decided to visit both studs, with the end result being that both ladies offered us "special" deals as these would be the first miniature horses to be imported into the Islands, and they felt that we should start off with top quality stock and thus offered us some of their best blood lines. As a result we decided to purchase a colt and filly from each stud.

Toyhorse miniatures have won many awards and some of their colts and fillies are selling for £3,000 and above! In 1996 Toyhorse *Countess Natushka* won the Guinness Book of Records Challenge. (Mrs Adorian appeared on Pet Power with *Countess Natushka*). Toyhorses won and were placed in many other shows in Britain and a Toyhorse bred stallion won the supreme championship in Holland beating 73 other stallions.

Janice Deakin of Kilcummer Stud in Cornwall owns *Gremlin* who was third smallest horse in the world at the 1996 Guinness Book of Records Challenge, and second smallest stallion in the world. She very kindly sold us *Gremlin's* first colt foal *Gremlins Tornado*, at an extremely generous price for his breeding. We actually saw *Gremlin* last year and he is gorgeous! Janice breeds a lot of spotted miniatures many of which she exports to America. The spotted miniatures tend to be a little bigger than the plain colours. A registered miniature must be under 34 inches.

The four we have arriving on the October *Anne Boye* are all registered miniatures, three are plain colours but the filly from

Champ in the making

GRANDDAUGHTER of Islanders, Maud and Charlie McKenzie, Sara Darts is showing superb athletic form since joining the Havant Athletic Club near Portsmouth in May of this year.

The twelve year old daughter of Darlene (an Islander) and Peter Darts (a Royal Marine) has competed in a number of competitions including the Wessex Young Athletics League and Southern Women's League, where she has shown prowess in javelin and sprinting.

In the July edition of the Athletic Club magazine Sara is re-

Kilcummer stud is sired by a registered spotted stallion and his dam was imported from Holland. The blanket spotted colt from Toyhorse International is also sired by a spotted stallion.

It is our intention to breed the miniatures and initially sell just colt foals and keep the fillies for breeding purposes. Already we have had a lot of interest and some firm orders placed for offspring. They will be approximately 17 months old when they arrive in the Falklands, so we would not expect to mate them until the following summer.

I am told that colt foals are often left entire without any problems. From what I saw of them last year they are certainly very good natured. I sat in a paddock surrounded by a stallion, his mares and foals with them all virtually walking over the top of me. The foals seem naturally inquisitive and very friendly. Some people even keep them in the house! I doubt anyone will be too surprised, once they get here, to arrive at Main Point and find a horse strolling around the kitchen!

I have been asked a lot of questions about miniature horses since people have heard about us getting them. Basically they are just like a normal horse but much, much smaller! Gestation period is the same, life span is the same and basic care is the same. They just take less food than a big horse, but they still need good quality grub, worming, exercise and so on. They can be happily kept in small areas so long as they have the right diet and sufficient exercise. They make ideal pets and best of all they won't buck you off!



Sara, Darlene and Daniel

corded as having been only 0.1 second away from the Club 150m record.

Sara's brother Daniel (15) is also a valued member of the same club.

FIG launches new publication

Report by Graham Bound for Mercopress

IN THE continuing battle for the hearts and minds of the British people, the Falkland Islands Government have fired the latest shot. The Islands' official London Office, Falkland House, located just a stone's throw from the Houses of Parliament, has published a new pamphlet that colourfully sets out their case.

It is no coincidence that the publication has been issued as the major British political parties convene their annual conferences.

The Islands have a team of elected councillors, officials and paid political consultants conducting an elaborate lobbying opera-

tion at the labour conference in Brighton (where Prime Minister, Tony Blair, made an important speech. The new leaflet will be circulating widely at the conference.

The expensively produced (though slim text), heavily illustrated with colour photographs of the Islands' fishing industry, sheep farming, Stanley and the wildlife, appeals fundamentally for international political support, saying, "Falkland Islanders seek the support of citizens and governments all over the world who share their ideals of self-determination and self sufficiency."

It goes on to say, "the Island-

ers wish for nothing more than the right to live in freedom in the country of their birth. They believe individuals in small countries deserve the same human rights as large nations."

The public relations company which designed the leaflet wrote extensively about the Islands' British history, which they believe supports the Islanders' claim for self sufficiency. "Britain made the first recorded landing on the Islands in 1690 and the first British settlement was established in 1766. Since 1833 British administration has been uninterrupted except for the Argentine invasion of 1982."

The Islands today are described as equally as British as they were in the past. "96% (of the 2,200 inhabitants) are British. Many are sixth or seventh generation Islanders, their way of life strongly reflecting their British origins."

The case for democracy is also argued: "Islanders enjoy internal self-government under the 1985 constitution. Only the elected councillors have the right to vote (on government business)."

A glowing picture is painted of the Islands' economy and their development. The leaflet records that the Islands are economically independent of Britain in all areas except defence, which costs the British Government some £70 million per annum. However, it is pointed out that this figure represents only half of one per cent of Britain's overall defence expendi-

ture." Some of the developments that have improved the Islanders' quality of life are listed: There is a multi-million pound telecommunications network, which, as from this year, will include access to the internet: A satellite television service brings up to the minute news to Stanley: And a road network is gradually finding its way to the most isolated small farming settlements.

The Lan Chile air service between the Islands and Chile is also mentioned as a prime example of progress.

There is even a positive portrayal of traditional sheep farming: an industry that had fallen on hard times in recent years, and has led to an exodus of people from the "Camp" into Stanley.

According to the publication, farming still manages to generate some £3.5 million to the community. The thriving fishing industry, however, brings in an estimated £20 million.

One of the most interesting nuggets of information is tucked away at the end of the text. As proof that the Islanders have arrived in the digital age, Falkland House has an e-mail address. Presumably, if there is not enough information in the leaflet to satisfy a reader's appetite, he or she can request more. For those who have an on-line computer it is simple: just send queries to rep@figo.u-net.com.

The Internet - Part 3 of 4 by Nikki Buxton



The internet doesn't byte!

ELECTRONIC mail, or email for short, is a message sent to another person on the Internet. Each user is given an email address by their service provider. Think of the email address as your post box in the Post Office, and the email as the letters you receive in that box. An email can be easily copied to other users; and when you receive an incoming message you can attach a reply to it, or forward it to another email address.

To send someone an email, you need to know their email address. These follow the format of the username at the start, separated by an @ sign, and the host name last. For instance, mine is synergy_info@compuserve.com with synergy_info as the user name and compuserve.com the host

name. Currently, those of us in the Falklands using the Internet must dial the UK or another country and connect to a provider there. This costs £1.50 per minute of connect time, so the new Cable & Wireless tariffs are welcomed by those of us currently using the Internet on a regular basis.

The email messages are written in plain text (ASCII), with no formatting or graphics. You can also attach documents or graphics files (called binary files) to an email message. Binary files are those that hold documents, programs, graphics, sounds, and other non-text data. As an example of what is possible, you can write an email to your Granny in the UK and attach a scanned photograph of yourself as a graphics file.

FALKLAND ISLANDS COMMUNITY SCHOOL COMMUNITY CLASS SCHEDULE

For Classes beginning Monday, September 22, 1997

Monday	Mathematics for all Numeracy to GCSE pre 'A' level and Additional Maths 6.00 - 7.30 Pat Stephenson - Maths Room
	Portuguese for beginners 6.00 - 8.00 Katherine Broughton - Languages Room
Tuesday	Art Classes - come and enjoy yourselves 5.00 - 6.30 Tim Simpson - Art Room
	Pastry Making For the enthusiast, shortcrust, suet, sweet, choux and flaky puff Recipes, demonstrations and practical sessions 7.00 - 8.30 Linda Burnard - Home Economics Room
Wednesday	English for foreign speakers 6.00 - 7.30 John Fowler - English Room
	English up to GCSE examination 6.00 - 7.30 Veronica Fowler - English Room
	Book Keeping 6.00 - 7.30 Charles Coutts - Maths Room
	Woodwork for all 7.00 - 8.30 Tim Stenning - Workshop
Thursday	Portuguese for beginners 6.00 - 8.00 Katherine Broughton - Languages Room
	Afternoon: Day Release Classes For all aspects of Word Processing, Disk Management and Use of Computers Elizabeth Villalon - Business Studies

Charges £2.50 per session
10 sessions @ £25 - (Cheques payable to FIG)

Adult Learn To Swim Sessions For The Absolute Beginner
No experience required
Monday and Thursday 8.00 - 9.00 Rosie Hickey
£2 pay on the door at the Leisure Centre Reception

For more information contact the school on
Tel: 27290 or Fax: 27148

Tutors are always welcome with new ideas for classes.
We would welcome tutors for basic spoken Spanish, and Word Processing

Stanley

WELL, we now know where our respective Legislative Council hopefuls stand on many of the issues confronting the Falklands today. The initial speeches have been broadcast, abbreviated versions published in Penguin News. Now we sit with breath well and truly bated as we listen to the question and long-winded answer sessions on FIBS. Still to come are the six minute speech slots each candidate will be allowed on FIBS early next week. And with less than a week to go to Polling Day the tension is mounting.

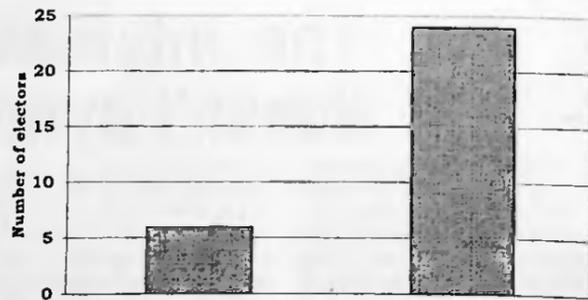
There is little doubt that a sharp divide exists in the way the Stanley constituents are approaching this election, and how their counterparts in Camp are. That the Stanley electorate are far less decided at this stage is, perhaps, unsurprising given the larger choice they have to make, though, as Graph One illustrates, many voters would have wanted an even larger number, and a wider range, of candidates from which to make their selection.

Damning indictment of candidates?

At first glance the graph would seem to be a damning indictment of the men and women who are standing for election, but a truer picture emerges from the comments that accompanied the brief 'yes/no' answers to the original question. Comments like the one from a voter who said he would have liked to have seen more "politically able" candidates standing. Another was convinced the paucity of nominees stemmed from the wide-spread knowledge that the growing workload on councillors is already too heavy for part-timers to sustain. There were calls for more candidates from the Government sector given the predominance of FIG employees in the workplace.

Still others expressed disappointment that no "younger people", or more, "genuine Falkland Islanders".

1 Stanley electorate: Are you happy with the number and suitability of candidates standing



Comments from Stanley electors What candidates didn't say (but still could)

- "What are candidates views on the creation of a monopolies commission?"
- "The OAP's home did not get sufficient attention."
- "I want to hear more of the candidates views on facilities for adolescents."
- "Nobody has mentioned the problem of sewage and waste management."
- "What about re-populating Camp, do candidates really think it could happen?"

were standing, while two were happy with numbers but wanted "a better calibre" of candidate. And one elector was adamant that the Islands now need "properly qualified" councillors but declined to define what she meant by "qualified".

Still votes to be won

Graph Two is (dare I say it) a graphic illustration of the indecision prevalent among Stanley voters at the time of our survey, and, if looked at in conjunction with Graph Three, less a hint than a brightly lit neon sign to candidates that the race is not yet over and there is still a hard core of fence-sitters there to be won over. Only 47% of voters declared their minds made up; a further 27% have decided on the destination of some of their votes but not all, and a similar number are completely undecided. Extrapolated over the total electorate (of 1,114) in Stanley that translates into a healthy 297 undecided voters waiting to be wooed by the right candidates.

Influential speeches

It is fairly easy to find, in Graph Three, a strong argument in favour of carefully thought out, and even more carefully presented manifestos from prospective councillors. It should be both interesting and instructive to candidates to know their speeches did influence the thinking of electors included in our sample, 60% in fact.

Also worthy of note is the fact that that influence was not always positive. One voter said she would not be voting for a candidate she had intended to support because she felt that candidate's manifesto was "dictatorial". Another said the manifestos are an important part of the election process, "provided

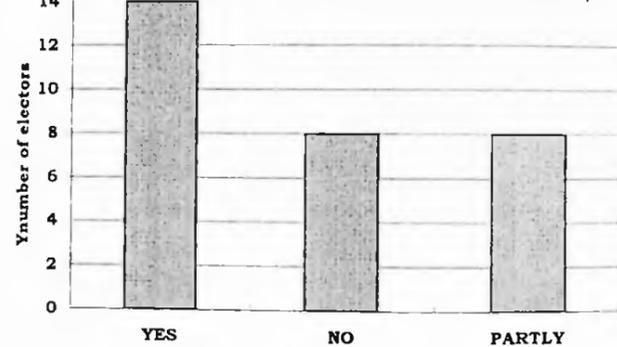
people listen, whilst most people we spoke to said the statements "confirmed" views already held.

Votes wasted

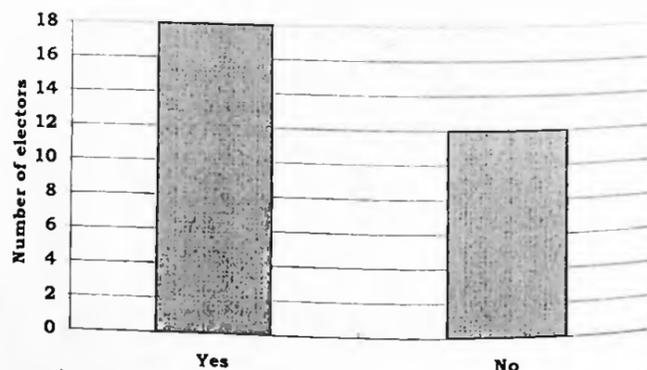
Perhaps the most interesting, and revealing, fact to emerge from our survey is illustrated in Graph Four. Of the thirty Stanley electors questioned only seven said they would be using all five of their votes - a tiny 23.3%. Three said they would cast only four votes while almost a third of the sample said they would be leaving two votes unused.

Simple maths shows the 22 undecided electors have 110 votes between them, of which they intend to cast only 77, leaving 33, or 30%, unused. If we assume an almost unheard of 100% turnout on Polling Day and ignore the eight people who were unsure how many votes they will be using, we can extrapolate the expected number of votes that will be cast as 3,899, a startling 1,671 boxes on ballot papers being left blank.

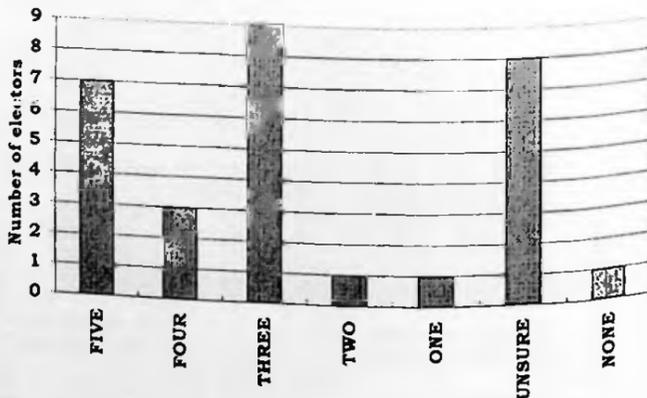
2 Stanley electorate: Have you decided who you will vote for? (The 'Partly' column indicates the number of people who have decided on some of their choices but not all)



3 Stanley electorate: Did candidates' manifestos materially affect your decision or indecision?



4 Stanley electorate: How you intend to use your five votes

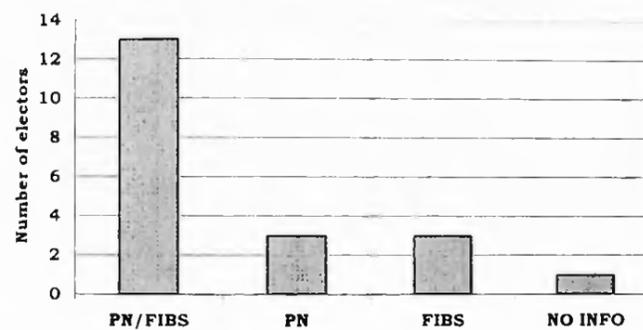


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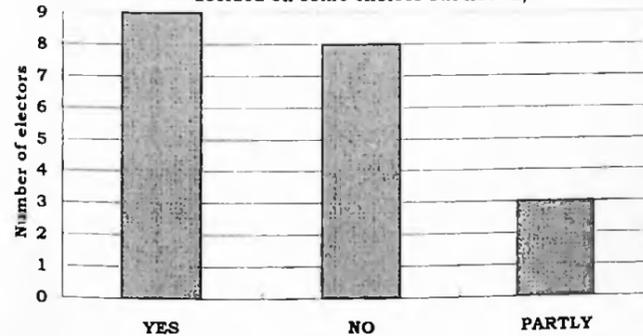


THE Falkland Islands are currently in the grip of election fever - or are they? Penguin News this week conducted a survey of fifty electors, twenty from the Camp constituency and thirty from Stanley. A series of answers was obtained from a number of pertinent questions to produce the graphs below, close analysis of which would appear to reveal some surprising conclusions.

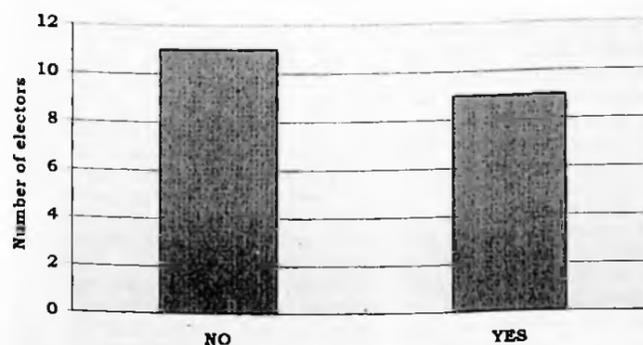
1a Source of Camp electors information regarding candidates' manifestos. (Five Camp residents added they had spoken with candidates or received a campaign letter)



2a Camp electorate: Have you decided who you will vote for? (The column entitled 'partly' denotes electors who have decided on some choices but not all)



3a Camp electorate: Did candidates' manifestos materially affect your decision or indecision?



The Camp

with other election nominees (See Graph 1a).

Decisions already made by many electors

Despite this anomaly with regard to campaign effort, and, although there are further comments and addresses to be made by candidates on FIBS, 45% of Camp electors questioned, have already decided for whom they will vote (see Graph 2a) with another 15% questioned saying they have decided how to use one or more of their votes but not the remainder. However, the undecided 40% of voters questioned indicate that there is still room for electioneering in the Camp.

Few wasted votes in Camp

In contrast to Stanley, it appears there will be few wasted votes in the Camp where the majority of the cross section questioned said they will put all votes to good use. Again, also unlike Stanley, many electors indicated that their indecision was influenced by their view that "all the candidates are quite good."

55% not influenced by speeches!

In search of an answer to the question, 'how important are manifestos in this election campaign?' Penguin News asked those electors who had already decided for whom they would vote, "Did you decide before or after hearing speeches," while undecided voters were asked, "Were the speeches the cause of your indecision?" The results, are shown in Graph 3a, and surprisingly, 55% of electors questioned said their decisions (or indecision) were not at all influenced by speeches. These statistics differ from Stanley where a slightly greater proportion of electors are basing their decisions on nominee's addresses. Clearly, many people in the Camp feel they know their candidates well enough to base their

decisions on personal knowledge of the suitability of candidates. (NB. Some of those who stated they had made their decision after having heard the addresses said, "I already had a rough idea... the speeches just confirmed it".)

Camp approval for candidates

On the subject of suitability, Camp residents (80%) appear to be inordinately pleased with their choice of candidates. (See Graph 4a) One elector stated, "I was pleased that all councillors were strong on Argentina, education, the continuation of road work and support for farmers," while another said, "If candidates stick by their beliefs it will be good news for the Camp." Other nominees have gained approval with their attitude to the burning issue of freight rates, "I'm glad some candidates picked up on the subject of freight rates, which are extremely important to Campers, especially those who want to diversify," said a Wester.

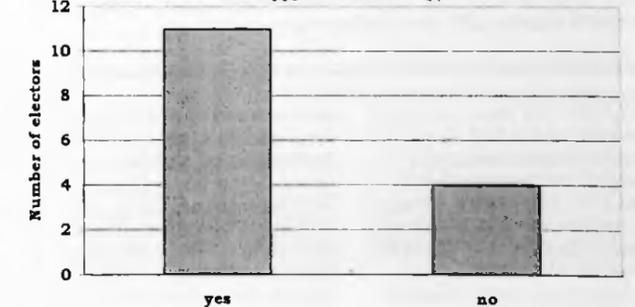
And some disapproval

Not all were approving however; one gentleman expressed his dismay with the words, "Speeches were interchangeable, as usual they promised all things to all men." Another commented, "I thought one or two speeches were reasonable, others were abysmal!" It was also suggested that, "the same old faces are standing... I might give the new man a chance."

Although there are only five candidates standing, many electors say this was not unexpected as 'council business clashes with farm work.' 55% were happy with the number of candidates they had to choose from.

Finally, it is important to note, that every Camp elector approached said he or she would be voting at the 1997 General Election.

4a Camp electorate: Are you happy with the number and suitability of candidates standing? (Five people were unhappy with number but happy with suitability)



Comments from Camp electors What candidates didn't say (but still could)

- "My final choice will depend on what they say in later speeches about the future of Landholdings."
- "We need to know more about their opinions on Landholdings and what is going to happen."
- "I want to know how they would react to di Tella wanting to visit"
- "I want them to say more about pensions and welfare for invalids."

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CHURCHSERVICES

CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 8am Holy Communion, 10am Family Communion (first Sunday every month - Family Service) 7pm Evening Prayer

TABERNACLE - free church

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm.
ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm Minister: Mike Mitchelmore 21787

St. MARY'S

SUNDAY 10am (MPA 6.30pm).
Week days: 9am. Sat. also 5pm

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

SUN 8am Holy Communion:
10.30am Eucharist/Morning worship: 6.30pm Holy Mass;
MON: 6.30am Mass
WED: 7.30pm Holy communion:
8pm Bible Study Tel: 74350

BAHIA FAITH

For information on meetings please ring Tel: 21957 (evenings)

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:	05	0203	0.6	WED	08	0340	0.7
	SUN	0811	1.5		1021	1.4	
		1421	0.4		1632	0.5	
		2049	1.4		2328	1.2	
Fox Bay +2hr 30m		Sunrise	0610		Sunrise	0604	
Roy Cove +4 hrs 30m		Sunset	1911		Sunset	1916	
Port Howard +3hrs 19m							
Teal Inlet +3hrs 30m							
Sea Lion Is. +1hr 15m							
Port Stephens +3hrs 15m	06	0232	0.6	THURS	09		
Hill Cove +4hrs	MON	0842	1.5		0426	0.2	
Berkeley Sound +1hr 11m		1457	0.4		1058	1.4	
Port San Carlos + 2hr 55m		2131	1.3		1743	0.5	
Darwin Harbour -56m		Sunrise	0608		0047	1.2	
		Sunset	1913		Sunrise	0601	
					Sunset	1918	
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		1540	1.5		1913	0.5	
		2222	1.3		Sunrise	06559	
SAT		Sunrise	0606		Sunset	1920	
		Sunset	1915				
		Sunrise	0615				
		Sunset	1909				

LIBRARY

Monday - Friday
08.45am - 12 noon and
1.30pm-5.45pm
Saturday: 10am - 12 noon
2pm-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 Liz Burnett, Tel: 21770 or Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

SQUASH CLUB Thursdays 5-9pm Contact Dik Sawle Tel 21414

NETBALL CLUB Tuesdays 6-8pm, Wednesday 6-7pm All are welcome Contact Sarah Allan 22119

THE FI GUN CLUB New members welcome Contact Ped Tel: 21663 or Graham Didlick 21622 P.O. Box 540

F.I. RIFLE ASSOCIATION Contact Secretary G Cheek, 21402

STANLEY GOLF CLUB Competitions on Sunday at 8.45 am. Contact Mike Summers on tel: 21542

FI MOTORCYCLE ASSOC. All queries & Information on races etc contact Andrew Newman 21606 or Rowena Summers 21015

YMCA Accommodation available Contact Terry Peck 21074

ASTHMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets second Tuesday of every third month in Day Centre at 5pm Contact Graham France on 21624

FALKLAND ISLANDS RED CROSS ASSOCIATION New members welcome. Contact Secretary Irene Baker 20839 or Chairman Nick Hadden, 21014

GUILD OF SPINNERS, WEAVERS & HANDICRAFTS Meetings on Wednesday evening at 7.30pm Contact Marj McPhee, tel: 21106

CANCER SUPPORT & AWARE-

NESS TRUST Contact Shiralee Collins, 21597, Sister Bridie 22086, Derek Howatt 21385

FIODA Actors/singers/stagehands contact Alan 21019

DIABETIC ASSOCIATION

Meets first Thursday of every month. 7.30pm in the Day Centre

STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB Contact D. Humphreys Tel. 22028 Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm, Fridays 4-5

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB Contact David McLeod Phone: 20836 (day), 20843 (home)

RUNNING CLUB Meets Wednesday 5.30pm, contact Tracy Porter 21574

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION Meets 1st Monday every month @ 2000 hrs. WO1&Sgt Mess, Hillside Camp. All ex or serving Service persons welcome. Contact A Geach, R Fiddes or KD Greenland for info 21454 or 27222.

F.I. WESTERN LINE DANCE CLUB: Meets Drill Hall. Beginners Classes - Sun: 6pm. Advanced Classes - Sun: 7pm. Club Night (All welcome) - Mon: 7pm. Contact Tricia Hanlon 21406

STANLEY SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB Friday 7-9pm Sundays 4-5pm. Contact Angela Lee on 21762 or M. Humphreys on 22028

JELLY TOTS CLUB meets Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays at the Day Centre from 2.30 - 4pm. All welcome

WELL BABY/CHILD CLINIC Day Centre KEMH Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am. Contact Miranda Cheek Health Visitor 27418

Leisure Centre Term Times - Further information/Bookings: tel 27291

Day	Pool	Courts
Monday	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
Tuesday	9.30 - 10.30	Public
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
Wednesday	7.00 - 8.00	
	10.30 - 12.00	Hospital/OAP's
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
Thursday	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	7.00 - 9.00	Private Hire
Friday	10.00 - 11.30	Parents/Toddlers
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
Saturday	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	8.00 - 9.00	Private Hire
	10.00 - 4.00	Public
Sunday	4.00 - 5.00	Adults
	10.00 - 4.00	Public
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults

Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER

10.15 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE
 10.40 THE BLUE ROSE
 10.55 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 11.20 ELIDOR Elidor's evil warriors try to break into the house
 11.45 RUN THE RISK
 12.15 THE O-ZONE
 12.35 FRAGILE KINGDOMS
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Racing from Newbury and Longchamp; Rounds 21 and 22 of the British Touring Car Championship from Brands Hatch; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.25 TOP OF THE POPS
 6.55 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN As mysterious mogul Leslie Luckabee continues to wreak havoc, his evil cohort, the ugly Mr Smith, is intent on destruction of another kind
 7.40 CONFESSIONS
 8.20 CASUALTY Ideological rivalries between the A&E senior staff prove to be unnerving for the department as a whole
 9.10 BREAKOUT Drama: Doctors are mystified when a rare illness strikes three seemingly random people.
 10.35 JOBS FOR THE GIRLS
 11.35 MATCH OF THE DAY Highlights from two of the day's top FA Carling Premiership matches

SUNDAY 5TH OCTOBER

10.55 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.10 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.35 HOW 2 (Repeat)
 11.45 BLUE PETER
 11.10 BIG BREAK STARS OF THE FUTURE
 12.40 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.15 HOT GADGETS
 1.45 THE CHART SHOW
 2.25 BROOKSIDE The Johnsons are astonished - have they been given back their freedom?
 3.35 AS TIME GOES BY
 4.05 THE GREAT ANTIQUES HUNT This week's edition comes from Warwickshire
 4.50 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE (New)
 5.20 THE CARLING PREMIERSHIP Chelsea v Arsenal
 7.10 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.40 SURPRISE, SURPRISE
 8.35 HEARTBEAT A special constable disappears after an argument with a pig farmer
 9.25 BORN TO RUN (New) First in a six-part drama about love, money and marathon running.
 10.20 FRIENDS: US comedy series
 10.45 NETWORK FIRST All in the Genes:
 11.40 TOTP 2 TBA

MONDAY 6TH OCTOBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Marlene lends her support to Darren
 2.30 GARDEN PARTY
 2.55 TRACKS
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
 4.00 MORPH TV WITH TONY HART
 4.20 CARTOON CRITTERS
 4.40 YOU'LL NEVER BELIEVE IT! (New)
 5.10 PIRATES
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Lachie and Mandy finally meet
 5.55 TOP GEAR
 6.25 MASTERMIND
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Fred has a proposition for Mavis
 7.45 THE BILL Short, Sharp, Shock: The father of a mugging victim takes the law into his own hands
 8.10 PAUL MERTON IN GALTON & SIMPSON'S COMEDY PLAYHOUSE I Tell You It's Burt Reynolds: Another re-interpretation of a classic comedy sketch. Paul finds that a family on holiday stuck in a rain-soaked Spanish villa have nothing to do but watch television until a major row blows up over whether Burt Reynolds is playing a bit part in one of the old movies they're watching
 8.35 AIRPORT
 9.05 McCALLUM Following the deaths at the sweat shop, Joanna's life could be at risk if she has been infected by the drug-resistant bacteria
 10.00 FILM '97
 10.30 BLACK BOX A Wing and a Prayer: Tiny flaws in ground maintenance can result in mid-air disaster. A minor problem missed by maintenance men caused a DC10 in America to lose control

when an exploding engine severed their hydraulic lines
 11.20 FOOTBALL LEAGUE REVIEW

TUESDAY 7TH OCTOBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Anne lands herself in more hot water at school
 2.30 CHANGING ROOMS
 3.00 VANESSA (New)
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: KIPPER
 4.10 TO ME TO YOU
 4.40 NAME THAT TOON (New)
 4.50 BLUE PETER
 5.15 SNAP!
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Tiegan opens up to Joey
 6.00 BEADLE'S HOT SHOTS
 6.30 EMMERDALE Jo and Alan take their romance on the road
 6.55 SCENE HERE Presented by Caroline Young
 7.25 EASTENDERS Tiff finds that there is one rule for the Mitchells and another for her family
 7.55 999
 8.45 SELECTION BOXES
 9.20 PRESTON FRONT Lloyd's new neighbours are unhappy when he plans a party, while Hodge gets the surprise of his life
 10.00 BREAKING THE NEWS
 10.55 CLASSIC ALBUMS Tonight, Stevie Wonder's Songs in the Key of Life
 11.55 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 8TH OCTOBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Anne confesses all to Ruth
 2.30 HOME GROUND
 3.00 THE CLOTHES SHOW (New)
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: OZZIE THE OWL
 4.00 RUGRATS
 4.30 ANIMAL ARK (New)
 4.55 IT'LL NEVER WORK
 5.15 THE SCOOP
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Selina agrees to move out with Jesse
 5.55 TOMORROW'S WORLD
 6.30 EMMERDALE Pollard is horrified to learn of the side effects of the 'pick-me-ups'
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Sally has her revenge on Natalie. Fred and Maureen tie the knot
 7.45 THE BILL Get You Back: A teenage girl with a broken nose claims she was assaulted by her ex-boyfriend
 8.10 CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL At Alder Hey Children's Hospital in Liverpool
 8.40 FRIENDS
 9.05 PEAK PRACTICE (New) Six months after leaving The Beeches in the lurch, Andrew returns to Cardale. But can he persuade Will and Erica to have him back
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 FILM: HURRY UP OR I'LL BE 30 (1973.15) Comedy. With his 30th birthday approaching, printer George Trapani resolves to turn the family firm around and find contentment
 12.00 SUNNYSIDE FARM Ray must decide where his loyalties lie when the gorgeous Wendy asks him to save Todger's Copse, the local wood, while Mr Letchworth, the landowner, is offering him money to see off the protesters

THURSDAY 9TH OCTOBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Toadie and Lance plan a pool party
 2.30 VISIONS OF SNOWDONIA (New)
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 4.00 BANANAMAN
 4.05 THE TREACLE PEOPLE
 4.20 REBOOT
 4.45 BLUE PETER
 5.10 RETURN TO JUPITER
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Travis is bitten by a snake. Kylie assures Jesse that the hearing is a waste of time
 5.55 CALL MY BLUFF (New)
 6.30 EMMERDALE Pollard confronts Marlon about the pills
 6.55 AUNTIE'S SPORTING BLOOMERS
 7.25 EASTENDERS George Palmers loyalty to Dixon is proving problematic as the corrupt councillor's world starts to fall apart
 7.55 TIGER BAY The Tiger Bay community gather together for Betty's funeral, but Kim is refusing to attend
 8.25 GET FIT WITH BRITTAS
 8.35 3D Today, a report on recent moves to use fuller-figure models in

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

fashion magazines

9.00 SMITH & JONES
 9.30 ROOM 101 Tonight, Terry Wogan
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 THIS LIFE Francesca convinces herself Miles doesn't want to go through with the wedding
 11.15 PARTY POLITICAL BROADCAST By The Labour Party
 11.20 HORIZON Smallpox on Deathrow: Exploring the future of the smallpox virus, one of the most horrific killers in history. Eradicated in 1977, it survives only as laboratory samples under high-security guard
 12.10 THE CHAIR Psychologist Oliver James talks to hypnotist Paul McKenna

FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Toadie and Lance's party ends in disaster
 2.30 AN INSPECTOR CALLS (New)
 2.55 GLORIA'S TIME OFF WITH...
 3.10 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: DINOBABIES
 4.15 RUPERT
 4.35 PENNSYLVANIA PET SHOP
 5.00 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
 5.15 KNIGHT SCHOOL
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Travis tells Rebecca he plans to stick with her for a long time

6.00 CRIMELINE
 6.10 THEY WHO DARE A look at how mountaineers are adding new dimensions to their sport by timing their ascents and descents against the clock
 6.25 AUNTIE'S TV FAVOURITES
 6.55 SCENE HERE Presented by Caroline Young
 7.25 EASTENDERS With the story on Palmer and Dixon going down the drain, Polly clashes with Tony over her plan to salvage her expose
 7.55 CATHERINE COOKSON'S THE WINGLESS BIRD Charles has tuberculosis and spends months recovering in a sanitarium. Agnes is shaken by the changes in Reg after his experiences in the war. She and Charles finally marry, but their honeymoon is interrupted by tragic news
 8.45 SEE YOU FRIDAY Lucy travels to Newcastle for the weekend to see Greg. But things don't go quite as expected
 9.10 THE MAN WHO MADE HUSBANDS JEALOUS Kitty is attracted to Lysander, but she is married to Rannaldini, who treats her very badly. Marigold and George think they may have an answer
 10.00 RAB C NESBITT
 10.30 BODYGUARDS A businessman, due to give evidence at a Government arms inquiry, is put in the Close Protection Group's care. An attempt on his life suggests inside knowledge, and Shaw and Worrell have to go it alone
 11.25 TFI FRIDAY
 The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY October 4th

6.00 News BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.30 News and Sport from five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Headerash
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 Murder at the Vicarage
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY October 5th

5.00 News BFBS
 5.03 Music fill
 5.15 Dessert Island Discs
 6.00 Music Fill
 6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service-Cathedral
 8.00 Sports Roundup
 8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didlick
 8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.00 News Desk
 9.30 Juste Plaine Madness
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS
 MONDAY October 6th
 10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS

12.05 Lunchtime announcements

12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The Late Afternoon Show
 6.00 Country Crossroads
 6.30 The Grumbleweeds
 7.00 Hoplite to Harrier
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 BBC Story of Pop
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 Boogie up the River
 10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY September 30

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Review of CD's of the week
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 St. News
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert -Blur
 7.30 News and Sports
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Venom
 8.30 Paths of Inspiration
 9.00 News desk from the BBC

9.28 Rpt Weather & Flights

9.00 The Human Child
 9.30 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS
 WEDNESDAY October 8
 10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 B.F.B.S Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Late Afternoon Show
 5.45 The Folk Show Rpt
 6.30 Just a minute
 7.00 Sad Cypress
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Classic Concerts
 9.00 News Desk from BBC
 9.28 Rpt, weather & flights
 9.30 Listen with Les
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News from BFBS
 THURSDAY October 9
 10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Annos
 B.F.B.S Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Music Fill
 5.30 On Stage: Joe Longthorne
 6.30 Memories are make of this - broadcast on FIBS with Tony Burnett

7.30 News and Sport

7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Pot Luck with Myriam
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt weather and Flights
 9.30 Cont. with Pot Luck
 10.00 News BFBS
 FRIDAY October 10
 10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Announcements, BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The late afternoon show
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 The late afternoon show - cont
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 Headdress Ball
 7.30 Five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights Annos
 8.30 Rpt News Magazine
 8.00 Announcers half hour
 8.30 Country Crossroads
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 Music Fill
 10.00 News B.F.B.S.

All programmes are subject to change. Any changes will be broadcast on FIBS

.....AND OVER TO B.F.B.S.

SATURDAY

0000 News & Me Mark Page 0200 News & Eurozone 0400 News & Benny Brown 0600 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0830 News Magazine 0903 Sports n all 1100 Sport on 5 1400 News & Me Mark Page 1600 News & Benny Brown 1800 News 7 Eurozone with A Donovan 2000 News & Rockola 2200 Steve Mason

SUNDAY

0000 News & Weekend World - Jamie Gordon 0200 TNews 7 UK Music Week - Gary King 0400 News & Bob Harris 0700 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0800 Steve McQueen 1003 UK Music Week 1200 Lunchtime Show 1400 News & Weekend Word - Jamie Gordon 1600 Bob Harris 1900 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 2100 News & Essential selection 2200 News & London Tonight

MONDAY

0000 London tonight continued 0100 News & Gold - Dave Windsor 0200 Today Programme - Radio 4 0400 News & Essential selection 0500 News & early breakfast from London 0600 The Breakfast Show Dusty Miller 0900 Dave Windsor-Gold 1000 News & FIBS Morning Show 1200 News 3" FIBS Announcements 1215 The Archers 1230 BFBS Reports 1300 Newsplus 1330 Sid Olivera 1603 Essential selection 1703 Connect UK - Andy Wright 1900 Evening show 2100 News & Rock Show 2300 News & London Tonight

TUESDAY

0000 London Tonight 0200 As Monday 0300 News & Gold Dave Windsor 0400 As Monday 1900 Evening show from MPA 2100 News & Rockola 2203 News & London Tonight

WEDNESDAY

0000 London tonight 0200 Today Programme - Radio 4 0300 News & Gold 0400 As Monday 1603 Essential Selection 1703 Connect UK with Andy Wright 1900 Steve McQueen 2100 News & Rodigans Rockers 2300 News & London tonight

THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

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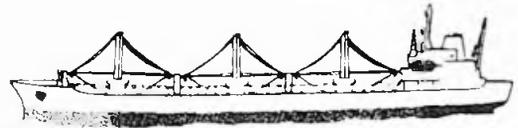
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Flying Fyfe coasts home in Fun Run

STANLEY Running Club's Spring race series kicked off in fine style on Sunday, September 28, with a one and a half mile Fun Run starting and finishing at Stanley Leisure Centre.

The runners were sheltered from the light but chilly south-westerly wind as they set off through the forest behind Government House. David Fyfe shot into the lead with Evan Jones, Chris MacDonald and William Normand close behind. Tanzi and Roselene Gough hard on their heels. The

twenty five competitors were soon strung out past the Museum and back along Ross Road towards the hospital.

Many parents accompanied their children - three year old Imogen Goss completing the whole course with mum, Amara, and grandad, Patrick Watts. Even at that tender age Imogen was not the youngest competitor, that honour being taken by six month old Frederick Allan, though he did opt for an easier trip - a pushchair powered by dad, Mike. Commenting after the race a relaxed Frederick said, "it's the only way to travel!"

Each year the Spring race series has introduced a new batch of runners to the challenge of completing the Cape Pembroke Half Marathon. This year new faces include Jane McGill, Cheryl Roberts, Miranda Cheek (an experienced Great North Run participant), Jo McInnes and David Fyfe. All ran well and so are on target with their training.

Anyone who would like advice on training for the Half Marathon, which takes place on December 7, should contact Sarah Allan at Stanley Leisure Centre, or go along to Stanley Running Club which meets every Wednesday, 5.30pm at the Leisure Centre. Entry forms will soon be available from Stanley Leisure Centre and the Gymnasium at MPA.



Report Sarah Allan: Photographs: Fran Biggs
Top: Winner, David Fyfe.
Below: 1st and 2nd (Girl's) Claire Kilmartin and Margaret Normand
Left: Winner (Women's) Sarah Allan



Fun Run Results

Men	Women
1 David Fyfe 7m 24sec	1 Sarah Allan 9m 42sec
2 David Higgins 12m 14sec	2 Trudi Clarke 10m 04sec
3 Peter Biggs 12m 42sec	3 Jane McGill 10m 20sec
(accompanied by son)	
Boys	Girls
1 Evan Jones 9m 37sec	1 Claire Kilmartin 11m 12sec
2 William Normand 9m 59sec	1 Margaret Normand 11m 12sec
3 Andrew Normand 10m 25sec	3 Tanzi Gough 13m 04sec

Note: Evan Jones (1st in the Boys section) was second overall, William Normand 4th, and Andrew Normand 8th.

FOLLOWING the discovery of a number of cracked tiles in the Leisure Centre swimming pool, Stanley's swimmers will have to wait until Wednesday, October 8, to enjoy their next plunge, instead of the originally hoped for Saturday, October 4.

Leisure Centre Manager, Paul Riddell, told *Penguin News* the pool had initially been closed and drained to allow the Public Works Department to undertake necessary work on the pool roof; removing rust and painting the roof works and structural girders; for which scaffolding had to be erected. (The filtration plant also required some major works with new pipes being installed). Only when the works had

been completed and refilling the pool had begun were the cracked tiles noticed. In consultation with Manfred Keenleyside, of PWD, Paul took the decision to re-drain the pool and remove the offending tiles rather than risk having to lift and replace tiles after the pool had been filled, or, worse, possibly risk a member of the public sustaining cut feet or other injury.

Complimenting the dedication of Tony McLaren and Paul Howe, who have been working very long hours to complete the repairs, manager, Paul Riddell, pointed out that he is aiming to re-open the pool at 5.00pm on Wednesday, October 8.

Falklands Overture



ISLANDER, Robbie Triggs recently released a classical music album entitled *1982 The Falklands Overture*. The overture, composed, performed and produced by Robbie, covers the period from the Argentine invasion in April 1982 through to the Liberation in June of the same year.

The cover of the CD (above) shows a map of the Islands, and included in the 14 tracks are titles such as *The First Three Weeks*, *Tumbledown*, *Battlefields* and *The Liberation March*. Robbie who left the Islands in 1976 is the eldest of

a musical family of four, and is the brother of folk singer Lizzie Elliot and musician Mike Triggs. Robbie now lives in Santa Monica, California.

The CD released by Robbie's own record company B&M Music is a tribute to the memories of the brave men who died during the armed conflict in the Falkland Islands, and is dedicated to Baroness Margaret Thatcher.

If anyone is interested in obtaining a copy of this CD they should contact Lizzie Elliott on 21765. (Report by FIBS)

Governor's report on the meeting of Executive Council - September 25

THE Executive Council meeting on Thursday, September 25, which is the subject of this article, was the last before the General Election on October 9. That being so, in accordance with convention we avoided addressing any major politically contentious issues, confining ourselves to routine matters, or business which simply cannot wait until the new Executive Council takes office after the election. All the regular official members of EXCO participated except for the Financial Secretary, who was substituted by his deputy, Peter Woodward, and the Government Secretary, Pete King, who was indisposed. The three Executive Councillors present were Sharon Halford and Mike Summers, and Richard Stevens standing in for Norma Edwards, who is away attending the British Party Conferences. Far from completing our business by mid-morning, as I had thought we might, we actually went on until about 1 o'clock.

Several points came up under matters arising from previous meetings which are worth mentioning:

Disposal of oil at Albermarle

First, councillors asked where matters stand over the disposal of the remaining oil at Albermarle. The answer is that quite a bit of the oil has been incinerated at Albermarle itself, and we are now actively considering how to dispose of the rest. One possibility would be to bring it into Stanley in drums and burn it in the high temperature incinerator here, but there may be other options. At all events, it would be good to bring this long running saga to a close.

FIGAS

Secondly, the Chief Executive reported on some thinking which FIGAS are doing in to improving the already very good service which they provide to the community. Scheduled flights would be one possibility, though that would undoubtedly require more pilots and cost more money.

But I am glad that such options are being considered.

Wildlife and Conservation Legislation

Thirdly, EXCO were glad to hear that work has now started on producing the Wildlife and Conservation Legislation which we really need, and for which the Standing Report provided essential groundwork.

UN Decolonisation Committee

And fourthly, EXCO had a discussion about the idea proposed by some of the elected Councillors that we might invite some members of the UN Decolonisation Committee to come and observe our general election. The conclusion we came to, taking account of the advice we have received, is that this might not be wise, and should not be pursued at present.

Supplementary Appropriation Bill

Turning now to the substantive Agenda, EXCO started off by approving a Supplementary Appropriation Bill, authorising some unforeseen supplementary Government expenditure, which will go to Legislative Council straight after the election.

Charges for Services at FIPASS

The next item concerned charges for various services at FIPASS under the new Management Agreement with the FIC. Details will be published, but the charges will be broadly the same as those applied by the FIC at present. I might just mention that wool storage will be free of charge. The new charges will apply from 5 November, and will be reviewed annually.

Assistance for Farming Community

EXCO then approved two new types of assistance for the farming community, the first an Agricultural Labour Subsidy which in effect reverts to the former scheme under which repayment can be claimed for retirement pensions contributions, the second a subsidy to compensate for increased shear-

ing charges by contractors, geared to the number of sheep shorn this coming season. The Department of Agriculture will put out details.

STABEX

EXCO went on to take note of an information paper by the FIDC on the various STABEX projects, particularly the abattoir, where it has to be said that progress has been bedevilled by a nightmarish amount of Euro-bureaucracy and moving of goalposts, and renewable energy, where a lot more progress has been made. I will see what more can be done to cut through the red tape on the abattoir.

FIDC Report

EXCO also had before them a six monthly report by the General Manager of the FIDC on all the activities which the FIDC are engaged in. The range is really rather impressive - to mention only a few, rural energy grant schemes, support for the acquisition of a new Fisheries Protection vessel, the Seaman's Centre, oil support services with Chile, the Dairy Paddock development, the Abattoir, the Falklander Sweater project, and a variety of training schemes. Tourism promotion also, of course, comes under the aegis of the FIDC.

Falklander

Speaking of the Falklander project, EXCO also took note of a proposal to devolve this completely to the private sector, as was always the intention. I wish the two companies concerned the best of luck, and would like to thank the Falklander staff and everyone else, who have been involved in the project.

Falklands Conservation

We then approved an application from Falklands Conservation to visit Beauchene Island towards the end of the year to conduct a survey of the Striated Caracara, alias Johnny Rook. As always this expedition will be subject to tight controls to minimise any adverse human impact on the almost completely pristine environment of the Island. EXCO also had available to it a report produced by the Australian ornithologist, Dr Graham Robertson, following his visit to Beauchene Island earlier this year, in which he put forward a number of proposals with the same aim. Where appropriate we will fold these into a code of conduct covering any such visits. I ought to say that Government have every intention of keeping the number of such visits to Beauchene to the very minimum.

Holiday Credit Scheme

Next, EXCO approved some amendments to a draft set of rules for the Holiday Credit Scheme under which entitled residents will earn points enabling them to undertake a visit to the UK (or else-

where) every three years. The rules will now be finalised and then published. That should happen shortly. I might just mention one exclusion which Councillors agreed, that anyone who has an overseas passage entitlement by virtue of the terms of his or her contract of employment with any employer will not come within the scheme, and therefore gain no entitlement to credits under the Island-wide scheme.

Keppel Island

The next subject we dealt with was a proposal to list the historic buildings and structures on Keppel Island. EXCO agreed in principle that a number of the buildings at the settlement should be designated as being of special architectural or historic interest, and therefore given suitable protection. We have no reason to expect the Island's owner, Mr Fell, to object.

National Stud Flock

EXCO noted with pleasure a quarterly report on the National Stud Flock indicating that things are going very well at Saladero.

Speed Limit

Motorists will be interested to know that EXCO approved a recommendation that the speed limit on a section of the Mount Pleasant Ring Road should be raised from 30 to 40 miles an hour.

Oil

On the oil front, the regular monthly report by the Director of Oil described all the current activity, including the signing of a three year rig contract by Amerada Hess for the Borgny Dolphin semi-submersible rig, which is now going to Norway for an upgrade so that it can drill in the deep water around the Falkland Islands. As already announced, exploratory drilling is due to start in May next year. EXCO also discussed the location of oil support services during the exploration phase. Naturally we hope, for good commercial reasons, that the oil companies will base much of their support operations in the Falklands rather than anywhere else, so that we get maximum economic and commercial benefit here. In accordance with the Joint Declaration, this is really a matter for the oil companies' commercial judgement, but the FIDC are doing everything they legitimately can to tilt the scales in our favour.

Which leaves one last point - the recent oil spill at Hill Cove, on which the Commander British Forces confirmed that an enquiry is in train. Everything possible had been done to deal with the spill, which fortunately caused next to no environmental damage.

Penguin News would like to thank HE the Governor for this summary of the Executive Council meeting

Late letter

Words of gratitude

MY wife and I have received a letter from Ronnie M. Malicdem, the Philippine seaman who was seriously injured and was brought into the hospital for treatment. You printed a couple of small articles about him and his situation. He is well and is undergoing further surgery and would like to thank the surgical team for their work, the Doctors and staff that showed such compassion and care and made

him feel as comfortable as they could, and to all the other people who gave up a little of their time to make him feel less lonely so far from his home and family.

I hope you can find a small space to place this show of gratitude that we pass on from such a brave but unfortunate person.

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Final summary of election policies

"Must take bold and visionary steps to promote and safeguard future"

Standing for Stanley
D L Clifton

I BELIEVE in the Falkland Islands and its future: a new cross-road with significant possibilities but one bound with uncertainty and hesitation. We must take bold and visionary steps to promote and safeguard our future.

I believe that people are better at running their own lives than governments, and I believe that the activities of the state should be kept to a minimum. Government needs to support private sector activities and not exercise political interference. We need to promote enhanced wealth-creation.

My book does not accommodate the Argentine sovereignty claim. The status quo is a good, fail-safe, umbrella.

Re-evaluation of our political and public relations lobby machines is long overdue. We must displace the growing band of doubters and critics.

Argentina must seriously and meaningfully commit to urgently establish and enforce a conservation and management regime in respect of our straddling squid and fish stocks.

We should not be sidelined, or misguided, when considering the potential benefits oil might bring. We need an environmental regime in the Special Area, to which Argentina must meaningfully subscribe.

We need to practice more science to better understand our off-shore marine environment; our fisheries; and, to further protect our marine wildlife for which the Falklands is internationally renowned. We need to begin practising the concept of sustainable development.

Councillors need to seriously address the shortfalls of the so-called socio-economic report and commission a sociological study. We need to bench-mark what constitutes our society.

A "zero-based budget" should be introduced for the 1998/99 financial year to check the public perception of "free-spend" era. This tool will exercise feasible and sensible house-keeping measures and the public will be assured that expenditure levels are then justified by financial need.

The Capital Works Programme must be re-prioritised to immedi-



ately accommodate a new Infant/Junior School that meets visionary demands. The Old Peoples Home needs fast-track construction. The principle of a minimum national wage to be implemented. The reconstitution of a Town Council, with all its requisite powers and accountability function, supported by an annual budget. The "trickle-in" immigration policy is beneficial because contract workers can always be temporarily employed at no "cost" to the natural belongers.

We should not agree to any oil revenue sharing formula with HMG, until we know if there are commercially exploitable reserves. We have much of our own house to put right first.

I propose a "Millennium Project" in the form of a new, all-accommodating sports facility, which will equip our aspiring sportsmen and sportswomen with the experience and opportunity they deservedly seek.

We cannot contemplate making Councillors full-time, until they use the Constitution to work the cabinet-style government afforded us. Councillors need to engage in transparency and openness to effect good governance. We need one single all-encompassing national constituency by 2001.

I applaud the progress to introduce better standards in public life. A Register of Members Interests is long overdue.

I have served Council previously; petitioned the United Nations; worked as London Representative; served on the Falkland Islands Association; and I have one decade of lobbying experience in London's political and diplomatic arena.

Please vote on October 9th.

General Election 9th October 1997

Attendance at the counting of votes. It has been drawn to my attention that some members of the public may wish to be present during the counting of votes on Thursday evening 9th October 1997. Under section 120(2) of the Electoral Ordinance 1988 no person other than -

The Returning Officer and her clerks

The candidates and their spouses

The Election Agents for the Counting Agents

may be present at the counting of votes UNLESS PERMITTED BY THE RETURNING OFFICER TO ATTEND. There is no automatic right of attendance.

As there is limited space in the Court and Council Chamber the number of members of the public allowed to attend will have to be kept to a minimum so that the efficient counting of votes will not be impeded. Any person who is not entitled to attend but wishes to do so must contact the Returning Officer before 4pm on Friday 3rd October 1997 so as to obtain his permission to attend which will only be given if room is available.

JC Rowland

Returning Officer

General Election 9th October 1997

The Returning Officer would like to remind the electors of their voting rights as follows:

For the Stanley Constituency

- Any voter may vote for up to five persons whose names appear on the ballot paper.

- Any voter may vote for fewer than five persons if he or she wishes

- So a voter may vote for

- **Five persons**

- **Four persons**

- **Three persons**

- **Two persons or**

- **One person**

For the Camp Constituency

- Any voter may vote for up to three persons whose name appear on the ballot paper

- Any voter may vote for fewer than three persons if he or she wishes

- So a voter may vote for

- **Three persons**

- **Two persons or**

- **One person**

Election talk

On FIBS: Friday October 3, 6.30pm: Stanley candidates questions and answers. Friday Oct 3, 8pm: Camp candidates questions and answers.

Sunday October 5, 5pm: Second speeches from Camp candidates.

Monday October 6, 6.30pm: Second speeches from Stanley candidates.

Public Meeting: Monday October 6, 7pm in the Junior School Hall.

Swimming Pool Notice

Due to circumstances beyond our control the Swimming Pool will not be reopened on Saturday October 4 as previously advertised.

The Pool will open on **Wednesday October 8 at 5pm**

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

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The property known as **The Traveller's Rest Public House**. Interested parties should contact Marc Hoy on 31023 or Dawn Hoy on 22277. The sellers do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any tender

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NOTICES

Stanley Running Club
Spring Race Programme
Provisional dates for races leading up to the ½ marathon:
19th Oct. Snakes & Ladders Race
9th Nov. Moody Brook Challenge
Training Schedule for ½ marathon:
Week 4
Fri. 3rd Oct. - Run 45 mins
Sat. 4th - Jog 20 mins
Sun. 5th - Jog 1 hour (off road)
Mon. 6th - run 30 mins
Wed. 8th - jog 6 miles
Thurs 9th - Jog 30 mins

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NOTICES

Another good gathering enjoyed an evening of Auction Bridge on the 1st October. Prize Winners were: 1st Mrs J Middleton & D Petterson, 2nd Mrs V Malcolm & R Diggle, Booby M Murphy & C Clifton. The next bridge evening is scheduled for Wednesday 15th October. Whist is played on alternate Wednesdays in the Day Centre. All bridge players extend a "bon voyage" and "safe cruising" to Elise and Gordon Schmidt

A public meeting will be held on Monday 6th October at 7pm in the Junior School Hall where it is hoped that all candidates in the forthcoming election will be present to answer electors questions. This is your opportunity to ask those difficult, embarrassing questions of potential Councillors. The meeting will be chaired by Barry Elsby, Janet Pomper and Magnus George. All electors are strongly encouraged to attend this important pre-election meeting.

From Jan Cheek

Will anyone who wants a copy of my election manifesto who has not already requested it, please contact me this weekend. I am not sending it to the entire electorate in deference to those who dislike receiving unsolicited mail. I may be contact on tel. 21372 or fax 21940. If I am unavailable at any time messages may be left on either telephone or fax.

Blood Donors Screening Sessions
Would all registered blood donors attend the casualty department KEMH between 0800 - 1600 hrs from Monday 6th of October to Friday 10th of October, for the usual blood donor screening, please bring your blood donor card along with you. Anyone wishing to become a registered blood donor should also attend the casualty Department during these times, if you are interested but want more information then contact Geoffrey Benjamin in the Pathology Department telephone 72367 or 27422

Accommodation in Stanley required for 18 year old male GAP student arriving 14th October. Please contact Fiona Didlick, FIDC, tel 27211

Lorry for Hire (including Driver) £25 per hour. For more details contact 21473 or 41194

A REMINDER TO ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS

It is not too late to enter your photographs for this year's Photographic Exhibition!
If you have photographs and have not had time to mount them yet please contact a committee member or phone the OIL DEPARTMENT and your entry will be included in the catalogue.
The exhibition will be held in the Community School over the weekend of 25/26 October. More details will follow shortly about opening hours but if you have not got out those photographs there are still a few days left!

PERSONAL



Happy 9th Birthday
Christine - with lots of love
from Bernice and David

Happy
Birthday for
the 6th Oct.
How the
years fly by
from Heather



To Rent three bedroom house in Stanley. Available November 1997. For further details please contact Ledingham Chalmers. Telephone 22690. Fax 22689

Tyssen, Gina and Kaylee Smith would like to say a big thank you to Jane Cotter, Pam Freer and Dr Barry Elsby for the safe arrival of Phoebe Casey May. Your care has made all the difference

As our contract here in the Falkland Islands is drawing to a close, **TILBURY DOUGLAS CONSTRUCTION LTD** would like to take this opportunity of thanking their many friends and colleagues for their support and goodwill over the last twelve months - it has been very much appreciated

VACANCY

Falkland Landholdings Ltd., Goose Green Farm have immediate vacancies for two General Farm Hands. Anyone interested can contact Tony McMullen on 32270 for further details.

VACANCIES

Wanted - Person for Little Chartres to cook for 2 weeks mid November. There will be 2/3 days during this period when shearers will be present. Good rate of pay and return airfares for capable person. Enquiries to Lyn Blake phone 42206 evenings.

LEIF'S has a Vacancy for a shop assistant to work mornings commencing at end October. Applicants should be over 18, energetic and have a sense of humour. A current driving licence would be an advantage but not essential. Interested persons should phone Leif at home on 21147 during the afternoon for further details

As a direct result of increased activity and further development potential in the tourism sector, **Sullivan Shipping Services** have an immediate requirement for a dynamic manager, to both consolidate and develop the company's tourism related business. This is a new position which is guaranteed to provide a high degree of job satisfaction and challenge for the right applicant, who is certain to be a hard working, self motivating individual, with an outgoing personality and good communications skills. For further information, please contact John Pollard on 22626 or 22627 during working hours

FALKLAND CONSERVATION
Require a Field Assistant for approximately 5 weeks commencing from the 20th October 1997. The work will involve assisting with the survey of Striated Caracara on offshore islands. The ideal person will have a scientific background and some sea going experience would be advantageous. Travel and subsistence will be provided, as well as a basic weekly wage. Applications in writing to Falklands Conservation, PO Box 26, Stanley.

Gordon Forbes Construction (Falklands) Ltd invite applications from experienced Backactor and Dozer Operators for their West Tracks contract commencing shortly and running for next two seasons. Applications should be made in writing with full details of previous experience to Gordon Forbes Construction (Falklands) Ltd PO Box 28, Stanley

POSTSCRIPT from the Tabernacle

Before the next publication of the Penguin News there will have been the election of new Council members. We have read their election promises in the paper and heard them spoken on the radio. But can we believe all that is written and said? Can these promises truly be kept? I am sure they have been, in the most part, sincerely made by the campaigners but are they possible to deliver? We often make promises that, due to changing circumstances, we are unable to keep. Even some of the previous Councillors admit that they were not able to fulfil all the promises they made during the last election. In who then can we put our trust? Who has our very best as their desire? Who has the manifesto to satisfy each one of us and to provide for our greatest needs?
The only one we can truly trust is God. He always keeps his promises. He never fails to deliver.
"Not one of all the Lord's good promises to the house of Israel failed; every one was fulfilled." (Josh 21:45 NIV)

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Norma Edwards



Richard Cockwell



Bill Luxton



Sharon Halford



John Birmingham



Jan Cheek

Three join old guard in election '97

Stanley constituency

THERE can be few surprised voters in Stanley this morning following yesterday's election in which Jan Cheek came close to gaining a landslide victory in the Stanley constituency, while Lewis Clifton comfortably regained the seat he relinquished some years ago, and Mike Summers buried recent worries under the 559 votes that also returned him to Council.

They join two other re-elected councillors, John Birmingham and Sharon Halford in the new Administration.

As predicted by the *Penguin News* survey last week a large proportion of voters declined to use all their votes with just 3,264 being cast out of a possible 5,570.

Jan Cheek said she felt, "numb", after the count. "All indications from talking to people," she told *Penguin News*, "showed me they liked the things I was talking about. I hope they will now believe I can do something about those things." She added, "I would like to thank all those who supported me, especially the people who persuaded me to stand again, and, of course, all the electors who voted for me."

John Birmingham said quietly that he was pleased to have been re-elected. "I appreciate the people who thought enough of me to give me their vote on this day, and I thank them. It seems to me," he went on, "to show that people are happy with the middle path." He was also full of praise for the work done by the organisers of the election. "Could I thank," he said, "the Returning Officer, his staff, and all involved, for a very well run election operation."

Sharon Halford was surprised to see three Stanley councillors returned to LegCo in one election.

"I'm glad to be back," she said, "but I can't guarantee anything will change - I'm only one voice in eight. I do understand from the head of the Civil Service, though, that Standing Orders may only take one week to be amended, so I will be pressing hard for more freedom of speech for civil servants."

Asked what he felt may have inspired those who decided to support him, Lewis Clifton suggested it may not have been a single issue but perhaps a combination, "the mixed bag of external and domestic policies I offered.. because if you don't deal with one the other is largely irrelevant."

Mike Summers was reluctant to guess at the reasons for his success, but said he felt he was strong on organisation and planning, referring to his emphasis on an economic programme.

Asked if he would support the concept of civil servants airing their views in the media or other public forums, he indicated that it was not a simple matter, but added he could see no reason why civil servants could not comment on subjects not pertaining to their own place of

employment.

Camp constituency

Even before Returning Officer John Rowlands had officially announced the number of votes achieved by candidates standing for the Camp, witnesses to the count in the Court and Council Chambers in Stanley were clearly aware that three 'Westers' had triumphed in this constituency. Bill Luxton of Chartres obtained the greatest number of votes, 203, with new-to-politics Richard Cockwell, of Fox Bay, achieving 182. Norma Edwards, of Lake Sullivan Farm, came a close third with 174 votes. 720 votes were cast in the Camp and of the remainder East Falkland candidates, Richard Stevens and Eric Goss, polled 87 and 74 respectively.

Delighted but, "humbled," at the extent of his support, Richard Cockwell, talking to *Penguin News*, wished to assure residents on East Falklands that although they were now represented by councillors all residing on West Falklands, "I am here to repre-



Mike Summers



Lewis Clifton

sent everybody." Asked why he thought such confidence had been placed in him, he said, "perhaps because I have pledged myself to the regeneration of the Camp... I want to help bring about an upturn as opposed to just marking time as it is now." He went on to say, "I want to take on the administration and bring about a council led Government as opposed to one led by the administration."

Bill Luxton felt voters may have responded so positively because of his tendency to, "always say what I think." Like Richard Cockwell he wanted to reassure residents on East Falklands that he would take great care to represent the whole of the Camp.

Norma Edwards, speaking from a Hotel in Blackpool where she is attending the Party Conferences, was extremely happy that electors had not been put off voting for her despite her absence from the Islands at the time of the Election. She felt it an absolute necessity, she said, that the Islands be represented this year because of the change of Government in Britain. She added that Baroness Margaret Thatcher had asked to be taken to the Falklands stall at the conference and had chatted to the Islands' team for some time.

Baroness Thatcher, she added, had sent her best wishes to the Islanders and had made enquiries about developments within the Falklands. Norma will return to the Islands on Tuesday morning (Oct 14).

All three successful candidates thanked electors for their support.

720 votes cast in the Camp constituency

W R Luxton - 203
R Cockwell - 182
N Edwards - 174
E M Goss - 74
R Stevens - 87

3264 votes cast in the Stanley constituency

J Cheek - 627
M V Summers - 559
D L Clifton - 558
J Birmingham - 472
S Halford - 450
B Claxton - 292
J Besley-Clark - 166
A Jones - 98
W Davies - 42

School poll results

VOTING in the Community School election echoed the 'real thing' in the Stanley constituency with the same five candidates 'elected'. In this case however, Mike Summers triumphed with Sharon Halford, Jan Cheek, John Birmingham and Lewis Clifton following behind.

In the 'Camp constituency', Bill Luxton was once again front runner, followed by Richard Stevens. However, unlike the true election, Eric Goss and Norma Edwards tied for third/fourth place. There was an impressive 91.6% turnout to vote, but school staff were not permitted.

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IF the answers to questions posed at the public meeting last Monday evening, are anything to go by then presumably the Islands have much to look forward to in terms of a new council; particularly with regard to the sympathetic attitude to the Camp (from Stanley candidates on this occasion); enormous emphasis on 'more open government' and healthy support for suggestions that Standing Orders should be adapted to allow Civil Servants to express their views via public forums, without fear of repercussions from their employer.

However, while Camp residents may be reassured by promises of future support for their situation (after all as one candidate at the meeting pointed out, 'the social and economic state of the Camp is a national issue which affects us all') success with the latter two aims could be predicted to run into difficulties, post-election.

The whole concept of 'open government' is very much a subjective one (thus a relatively safe campaign vote-grabber) and there is little doubt that the public and the government perception of 'openness' will differ greatly on future occasions, such differences probably rationalised by phrases like, 'politically or commercially sensitive issues', thus hasty campaign promises of 'no secrecy' might be explained away with the words 'political reality'.

Political expediency like this may at first glance seem improper but confidentiality in some governmental issues, it should be remembered, is often vital to the well-being of the country. Provided we have voted wisely our council should be composed of representatives who appreciate the sharp differences between those issues and matters which should essentially be in the public domain.

Leniency towards civil servants expressing their views via the media was an almost universal, and deservedly supported concept by candidates and public alike, last Monday. It was, however, slightly less reassuring to note, that a number of nominees gave the appearance of viewing the matter as a relatively simple one. (Answering the question, 'what shall we do about Standing Orders?' one candidate offered the not so carefully considered solution, "chuck them out the window") Thus, once again having used a particular stance on a controversial issue to gain votes, it may be something of a surprise to those same councillors (if elected) to encounter unexpected complexities. In this case those involved in drawing an appropriate line between necessary confidentiality and freedom of speech. While, as an editor of a newspaper, I am all for knowing everything, I fear that the good intentions expressed by candidates will flounder and be lost in the proverbial sea of bureaucracy. Like other residents, though, who may have also been persuaded to vote for certain individuals, as a result of such a morally correct intention, I hope to be proved unnecessarily pessimistic.

Finally, despite the assertion by one candidate that 'public meetings do not achieve what they set out to because most people do not like airing their views in public,' this meeting may have proved particularly crucial in the decision making process for a large section of the gathering. While the floor was, as is quite normal, monopolised by a few members of the audience, others later confided that the occasion had been the vital factor in their final selection of candidates.

'Communication,' as in the art of, appears to have been the key. The effect of listening to, and being heard by, nominees first hand; observing their willingness to respond to questions or statements; their reaction to confrontation; and, importantly, their ability to 'think on their feet' either hardened preconceived opinions of candidates, or at the very least provided important insights into the attributes - or otherwise - of those less well known.

Therefore, in this case the candidate 'listening to' the elector, was as important as the candidate 'talking to' the elector, and if such close communication brought satisfaction to the elector and success to the candidate, it could perhaps be construed as a valuable lesson to councillors, with regard to the relationship between the government and the public, over the next four years.

ON the matter of Mrs Sally Blake's accusation that *Penguin News* acted irresponsibly in publishing Mr Forrest's letter last week, I feel obliged to point out that the decision to print the letter was not taken lightly. On receipt of legal advice concerning the letter, *Penguin News* were advised that not to publish might be unwise, with such an action possibly resulting in accusations that the newspaper had suppressed information which would generally be considered "in the public's interest" (as well as the possibility of a further accusation that the paper was favourably biased towards Mr Summers' election campaign). Having made the decision to publish, *Penguin News* immediately contacted Mr Summers with an invitation for him to respond to the letter in the same edition. Mr Summers accepted the offer and the information he provided was, we believe, treated entirely objectively within the article.

May I end by asking if Mrs Blake is seriously suggesting items of national interest should be suppressed, when bringing news to the public is *Penguin News* express reason for being?

Your letters

Trial by newspaper not in best interests of electorate or government

FURTHER to your front page article and Mr Forrest's letter, October 3rd 1997, I do not believe it appropriate the allegations of serious misconduct on the part of a member of executive council should be made by the Head of a Government Department via the letters page of the *Penguin News*.

As Director of Public Works with responsibility for the management of the quarry, Mr Forrest had a clear duty to inform his senior officer of the facts stated in his letter. Mr Forrest does not state how long he has been in possession of this information, but it is now seven months since the alleged incident, during which time Councillor Summers has continued to serve on Legislative and Executive Council. Mr Forrest's apparent failure to take any action, until

now, amounts to negligence on his part.

If however, I have misjudged Mr Forrest, in that Senior Government officials were made aware of this information, then the fault lies with the Head of the Falkland Islands Government in failing to order a formal investigation into the incident.

It is apparent that there is an urgent need for procedural guidelines on the implementation of the Policy on Standards in Public Service and a commitment on the part of Senior Government to ensure its correct and just enforcement.

Trial by newspaper is not, believe, in the best interests of the electorate nor Government

Lidda Luxton
Chartres

Falklands status?

I READ with great interest Rosemary King and Tom Blake's remarks in *Penguin News* on voting rights. I think it may not be fully understood by your readers that under the amended provisions of the Constitution which came into force on 1st September 1997 the only persons who will in the future have the right to have their names placed upon the Electoral Register are people whose names are on this year's Electoral Register (that which came into force on 1st September) or who are Commonwealth citizens over eighteen and have "Falkland Islands status". In the past a person could automatically obtain "Falkland Islands status" by being ordinarily resident in the Falkland Islands for seven years and intending to have his or her permanent home here. That is no longer the case. A person who has not Falkland Islands status by reason of birth, marriage or naturalisation will in the future not obtain Falkland Islands status (and thus the vote) unless the person is a commonwealth citizen who has been ordinarily resident

for at least seven years and who has been granted Falkland Islands status pursuant to an Ordinance enacted for the purpose. The rights of persons who already have Falkland Islands status are of course preserved.

The legislation will of course apply just as much to persons born in the United Kingdom and other Commonwealth countries as it will to persons born in St. Helena. The Ordinance has not yet been enacted and its detailed provisions will be a matter to be considered by the Legislative Councillors about to be elected.

Incidentally, in relation to Tom Blake's letter, the 680 people who had been resident at the time of the 1996 Census for five years or less included a number of returning Falkland Islanders (who had been living overseas for a number of years and who already have the vote) and a number of people who are not Commonwealth citizens and unless they become naturalised can never obtain the vote.

Yours sincerely,
D.G. Lang QC
Attorney General

Dismayed at Penguin News

I WAS dismayed when I received my copy of *Penguin News* this weekend.

The letter from Mr Forrest, with reference to Mr Mike Summers, should have been published (if at all) weeks or months ago, NOT in this election week.

I consider it very irresponsible of Mr Forrest, and much more so of *Penguin News*. *Penguin News* should not have published the letter or the article at this time.

Sally Blake
Hill Cove

(See editorial for response - Ed)

Write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley, Falkland Islands

Update on Ronnie

FURTHER to your article in June, and Ped's letter last week, about Ronnie Malikdem, an update may be of interest. He was the young Phillipino fisherman who suffered serious injuries on board ship.

After initial treatment at the KEMH he was medivaced back to the Philippines via the UK. He spent several days in hospital in the UK but the nature of his internal injuries meant that definitive sur-

gery could not be carried out at once. I understand that he is now awaiting surgery in the Philippines.

I have received a letter from Go-Rising Trading, the Taiwanese fishing company which ran his ship, assuring me that his medical expenses will be met. There is of course no free health service in the Philippines.

Dr Richard Davies

Highest cost for Islands Internet?

AS a far flung Islander I am pleased to see the Falklands will be joining the Internet soon. However, I am surprised by the charges announced by C & W. Local papers here often have letters suggesting the UAE charges are among the highest in the world, although I do not know if this is true. It looks as if the Falklands will streak well into the lead!

Initial charges here are £50, including all necessary software and e-mail address, although I did get a special off of £25 at last year's Gulf Computer Exhibition. The monthly access charge is £14.60 for ten hour blocks. There is no

additional per minute connection charge. From the C & W press release it seems the same ten hours per month would cost £70.

I am about to upgrade to twenty hours per month - new users will be surprised how quickly time goes when you start reading the Daily Telegraph, browsing mail-order brides, booking holidays etc! Also you will probably have access to naughty time-consuming sites which are censored or barred here!

Finally, once you are connected anyone interested in e-mailing me can reach me at dhardy@emirates.net.ae

David Hardy

Whatever happened to Bransby Samantha?

WHILST promoting the Falkland Islands at a show in Gillingham, Dorset, recently we were approached by a Mrs E.C.M. Williamson, of Fudge Cottage, Corscombe, Dorchester, Dorset, DT2 0NZ.

Back in 1983 she gave two Dartmoor ponies, *Bransby Samantha* and *Shillston Rocks Fastnet Fury*, to the Islands. She

thought they went to a Smith at Johnson's Harbour.

We said we would ask around as she was still quite upset at never having heard if the ponies even survived the journey to the Falklands.

Yes, it is a long while ago, but when people this end make a connection, they don't forget!

Brian Paul

Matter closed

I HAD not intended to say anything about the press reports concerning the alleged conflict of interest by Mr Mike Summers. However, in the light of the public controversy I feel I should now issue a short statement, as follows:

I was informed of the allegations against Mr Summers some time ago. I looked into the matter within the parameters of the existing guidelines of Executive Council concerning conflicts of interest

and declarations of interest. Mr Summers gave me a frank explanation exactly along the lines of what has appeared in the *Penguin News*. I responded to that, and then told him that as far as I was concerned the matter was closed.

Given the imminence of the general election any further comment by me would be wholly inappropriate.

The Governor

Stanley goes to the Proms

THE Last Night of the Proms has, by virtue of its continuing popularity, become an institution in Britain; an emotional, almost revered occasion televised to the Nation and watched by millions.

Now, thanks to the British Forces Falkland Islands, Stanley and MPA are to enjoy, live, a version of the famous concert, the first in Stanley Town Hall, the second two days later in the Gull and Penguin Club.

The primary aim of the concert in the Gull and Penguin Club is to complete a worldwide link of almost 500 locations enabling the Hallelujah Chorus to be sung continuously around the globe for a non-stop 24 hours.

Organised by the Voices For Hospice charity the Mount Pleasant concert will raise funds from voluntary contributions for Richard's House, the first children's hospice to be built by the charity in London.

Funds raised from the concert

in Stanley (scheduled to start at 7.00pm on October 16) will go to local charities the Community Chest and FIODA Theatre 2000, who are helping local organiser, Marilyn Hall stage the event.

Marilyn told *Penguin News* she is expecting a full house on the night and hopes the audience enter into the 'Proms' atmosphere by wearing evening dress and singing along with all the old favourites for which it is hoped song sheets will be provided.

The band, the King's Division Normandy Band, will be accompanied by internationally renowned singer, Margaret Probyn, who will lead the singing, the highlight of which will be the *Hallelujah Chorus*.

As is traditional at the 'Proms' some of the audience will be seated, some standing. October 16, in the Town Hall, promises to be a memorable occasion. Tickets are now available from either Marilyn Hall or Sharon Middleton.



PICTURED above is Lesley Titterington, who has just returned from the UK to take up the newly created position of Courts Administrator.

While in Britain Lesley spent several weeks studying the legal system and court procedures. This included spells at Manchester Crown Court and Stockport

Magistrates Court as well as a week with the Crown Prosecution Service, and the Probation Service.

Lesley, who has seven years experience as a legal secretary behind her and has lived in the Falklands for nine years, is married with two children, Emma, 11, and Robert, almost nine.

Islander dies

FALKLAND Islander, Terry Biggs, has died at the age of 75 in Sarnia, Ontario, Canada. Terry passed away on Friday, October 3.

Islanders will no doubt remember Terry as a fine singer who participated in local productions such as the original production of *The Pirates of Penzance* which was staged in the 1940's.

Terry and his wife Ione Biggs (nee Spencer) left the Islands over forty years ago to make a new life

in Canada. He had had a varied career in the Falklands with the civil service, his last post in the Islands being clerk in the King Edward Memorial Hospital. Before his retirement he ran a real estate agency in Sarnia.

He is survived by his wife, Ione, four children and numerous grandchildren, his brothers, Pat and Jerry, who also live in Sarnia, and sister, Eileen Vidal here in the Falklands.



The Falkland Islands Company

The FIC is pleased to advise that effective Wednesday 8th October, Pastimes will remain open during the lunch hour.

It is also planned that from Monday 3rd November, Pastimes will remain open until 6pm each weekday evening.

We hope these new extended opening hours will give our customers more time to 'browse and buy' and take advantage of the new stock regularly arriving in the shop.

What about starting your Christmas shopping?



Christmas is coming!

HR Shipping Services are now receiving until 22nd October for Voyage 249

ETA Stanley 28 November

**BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT
AT CHRISTMAS**

For bookings please contact:

Ruth Fowler
Liner Department
HR Shipping Services
TDK House
5/7 Queensway
Redhill
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Tel: +44 1737 769055
Fax: +44 1737 765916

Robert Rowlands
Stanley Services
Airport Road
Stanley
Falkland Islands

Tel: +500 22622
Fax: +500 22623

Thanks to 78 Squadron



L-R: Flt Ian Hardy; Mrs Sheila Stewart; Flt Lt Matt Clement; Brig Iain Campbell; Sqn Ldr Tim Wilkinson (OC Theatre Operations Centre).

SHEILA Stewart of Argos Maruha Limited presented a cheque for £500 to the RAF Benevolent Fund on September 22 in recognition of a recent successful Search and Rescue Operation carried out by 78 Squadron.

On September 1 1997, the Rescue Co-ordination Centre at MPA received warning, via FISHOOPS in Stanley of a marine incident aboard the Japanese *MS Chyo Maru 5*.

78 Squadron were scrambled and 7 minutes later a Sea King helicopter captained by Flt Lt Matt Clement was airborne and en route to the vessel which lay approximately 42 nautical miles to the East of Stanley. Initial reports suggested that one of the vessels crew had suffered a cerebral haemorrhage. The helicopter arrived at the scene just 30 minutes after takeoff. After some difficulty due to weather conditions and the gantries, cranes

and cables on the ship a winchman and first aid kit were transferred aboard.

Having prepared and stabilised a somewhat reluctant casualty for evacuation, and despite the hazards at the time, both were successfully transferred to the aircraft. The casualty arrived at KEMH and was later returned to Japan where he was operated on to remove a benign brain tumour. He is said to be making a full recover.

The director of Argos Maruha Ltd., Laurie Butler said, "It is a great comfort, not only to the men who crew the vessels fishing in our water, but also to their relatives in their home countries, to know that should the need arise, there are dedicated, supremely professional men and women who, in all kinds of sea conditions, will do their utmost to bring them assistance."

Info/Photo: PIO/HQ BFFI

US will not interfere in Falklands 'dispute' unless invited by Britain and Argentina says envoy McLarty

WITH the United States President, Bill Clinton, due to visit Argentina later this month, Argentine newspapers have continued to press the presidents staff with questions regarding Mr Clinton's intentions regarding the possible 'mediation' in the conflict between Argentina and Britain over the Falklands.

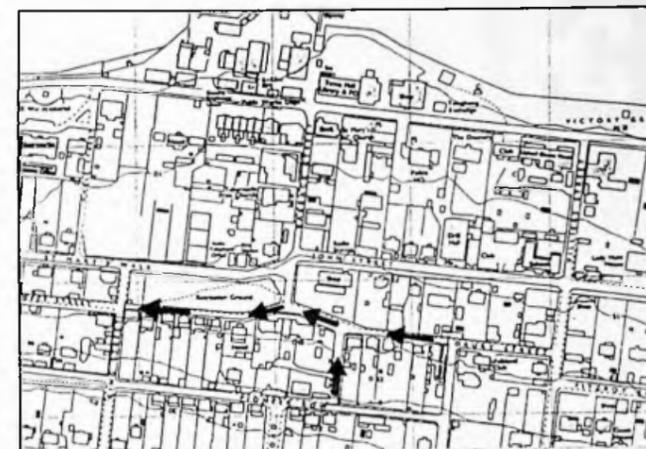
US envoy Thomas McLarty said in a teleconference on October 6, "The United States would be delighted to mediate... but only if both nations request it." One paper, *La Nacion*, described his statement as an "elegant way to reject the remarks that President Carlos Menem has made in favour of Clinton becoming involved."

McLarty added, "Our basic

stance is that we have two very valuable allies and friends that are Argentina and Great Britain... we would be willing to help and support but we do not want to invite ourselves to this table unless the two parties request it." He highlighted again that, "this is a bilateral issue between Argentina and Great Britain."

However, in statements to Foreign Correspondents on the same day as McLarty's response, Menem said that he is not considering the possibility of asking President Clinton to mediate in the 'dispute.' He went on to say that Argentina would continue with its policy of pressing for sovereignty talks in the United Nations.

Two more one way streets for Stanley



HACKETTS Hill and Drury Street are both to be deemed one way streets, coming in to force on October 20, 1997. The changes come as a result of the *Stanley (Various Roads) One Way (Amendment) Order* of March 27, this year.

Hacketts Hill (otherwise known as Halketts Hill) will become one way along its whole length and may only be used in a South to North direction or down

hill. The one way section of Drury Street will be extended so as to be continuous from its junction with Brisbane Road (The Rose Hill), to its junction with King Street. This section of the road may only be used in an East to West Direction.

The Public Works Department will erect all the necessary signs for the guidance of drivers.

(See above diagram for clarification)

Wellington's provide facelift for Siggy's house

SENIOR Citizen Siggy Barnes of Stanley is this week enjoying the company of six members of Waterloo Company, Duke of Wellington's Regiment, as they tackle the task of refurbishing her house and garden on John Street, Stanley.

The six, Corporal Kevin Peters, Lance Corporal Andy Rhodes, Privates Anthony Thorpe, Steven Guirey, John Burrows and George Robertson, are taking a short break

from military duties to scrape and repaint the house, mend some broken fences and generally tidy up the garden; all physical jobs Siggy finds difficult or impossible to get done herself.

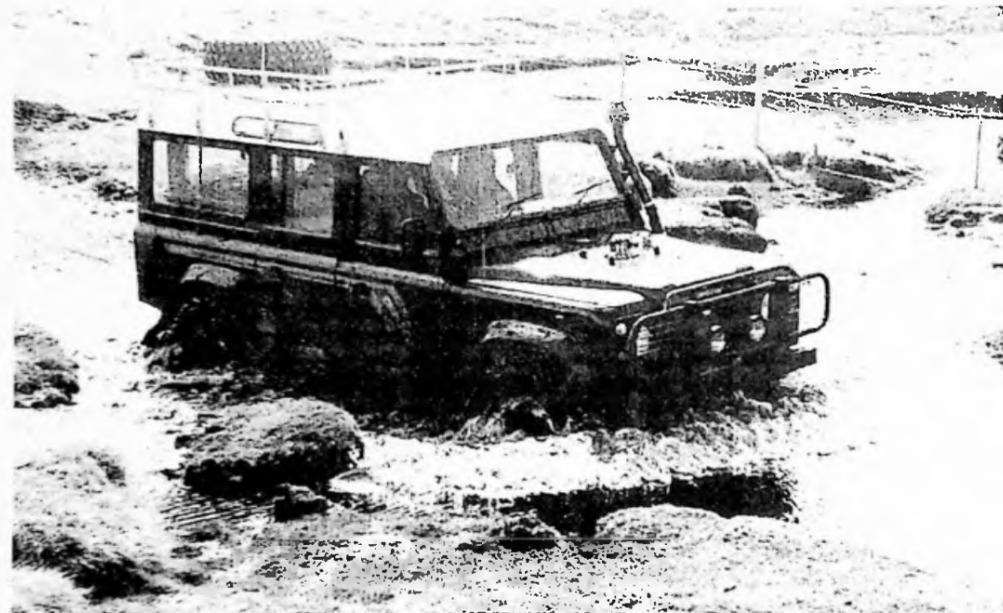
On Monday Siggy may have to make tea for even more young soldiers as they hope to have a full platoon working on the house so the project should be completed by the end of next week.

Below: *The Magnificent Six take a breather*



'Mobile polling days' Photographs by Graham Middleton and Derek Clarke

Election flight '97



POLLING CLERKS and team leaders involved in overseeing voting in the Camp via the 'mobile polling stations' completed a 'highly successful exercise' this week, not least as a result of the careful planning by Returning Officer, John Rowlands, and the efficiency of the Falkland Islands Government Air Service, said one team member.

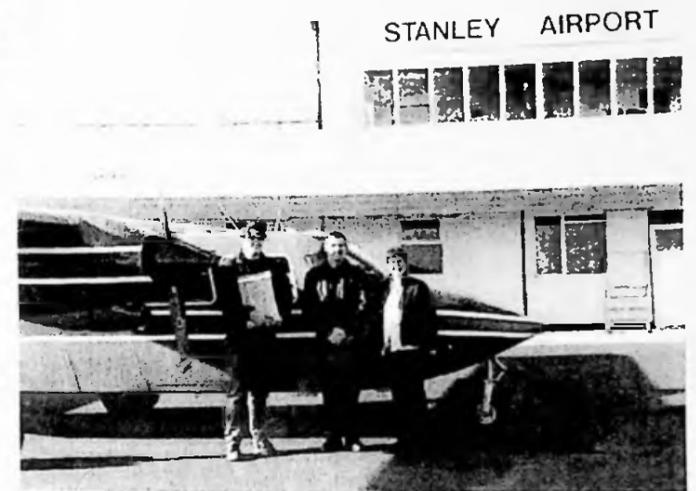
In what might be viewed in some countries as an 'unconventional' way of collecting a constituency's votes, earlier this week teams of polling clerks (made up of Justice Department staff, and others with past experience of this operation) travelled either by Landrover to the North Camp on East Falklands, or to the remaining outlying settlements on the East and West, by Islander Aircraft. Blessed with good weather on all days, approximately forty different locations (not including actual Polling Stations at larger settlements) were visited, where residents on the 'Election Flight' routes had been asked to assist in the smooth running of the exercise by being available to vote at the airstrip.

General Manager of FIGAS, Vernon Steen explained that the aircraft involved had been modified slightly inside to allow a table to replace row three of seats. On entering the aircraft, electors sat opposite two members of the polling team, where their names were registered. A small curtain was then pulled between the elector and team so that votes could be recorded in private; giving, said one team member, the appearance of, "a confessional".

Helen Blades, who helped on the day, described the atmosphere at landing strips as quite jocular and 'very open', with some voters pointing out that the curtain was unnecessary 'as they didn't mind if people knew which candidates they believed in.' She went on to say that Camp electors were enthusiastic about the occasion, and suspected that very few neglected the opportunity to vote.

Team members heaped praise on FIGAS pilots (Morgan Goss and Derek Clarke) describing them as efficient, helpful and very good natured about the whole operation; gratitude to residents for being quickly available to 'make their mark' was also expressed.

In summing up, Returning Officer, John Rowlands said, "feedback suggested it went very well, however, if there are any queries, or suggestions from the Camp constituency people are welcome to write in to me."



Above: Election Flight: Colin Patterson-Smith, Derek Clarke (pilot) and Chris Davis.

Far left: Polling team, Peter Biggs and Mike Luxton overcome the odds to reach the North Camp electorate.

Far left middle: 'Election Flight: Adrian Minnell witnesses the sealing of the ballot box at San Carlos.

Far left bottom: Jenny Smith at Johnsons Harbour makes her choice.

Left (top): Election Flight: Leona Whitney and granddaughter - Douglas Station.

Left (bottom): Elaine Turner, Rincon Grande

Below: Trudi McPhee votes in the great outdoors

Bottom: Election Flight: Voters gather at San Carlos airstrip

Tenders invited from Standard Chartered Bank

Standard Chartered Bank invite tenders from suitably qualified contractors to carry out various maintenance and remedial building tasks at Flagstaff House, Villiers Street, Stanley.

These tasks include exterior painting, wood treatment, repairs to roof tiles, repointing of chimney stack and the removal of a redundant chimney.

Full details of the work to be completed and tender terms are available from the Manager, Standard Chartered Bank on fax no. 22219 or telephone 22220



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Information Pullout



October 11 - October 17

CHURCHSERVICES

CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY 8am Holy Communion, 10am Family Communion (first Sunday every month - Family Service) 7pm Evening Prayer

TABERNACLE - free church

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm.
ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm Minister: Mike Mitchelmore 21787

St. MARY'S

SUNDAY: 10am (MPA 6.30pm).
Week days: 9am; Sat. also 5pm

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

SUN: 8am Holy Communion: 10.30am Eucharist/Morning worship; 6.30pm Holy Mass.
MON: 6.30am Mass
WED: 7.30pm Holy communion; 8pm Bible Study Tel. 74350

BAHA'IFAITH

For information on meetings please ring Tel: 21957 (evenings)

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:

Fox Bay +2hr 30m
Roy Cove +4 hrs 30m
Port Howard +3hrs 19m
Teal Inlet +3hrs 30m
Sea Lion Is. +1hr 15m
Port Stephens +3hrs 15m
Hill Cove +4hrs
Berkeley Sound +1hr 11m
Port San Carlos + 2hr 55m
Darwin Harbour -56m

October

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0716 0.9
SAT 1344 1.4
2031 0.5

Sunrise 0557
Sunset 1921

12 0316 1.3
SUN 0848 0.8
1502 1.5
2131 0.4
Sunrise 0555
Sunset 1923

13 0409 1.4
MON 0948 0.6
1605 1.6
2220 0.3
Sunrise 0552
Sunset 1925

14 0451 1.5
TUE 1037 0.4
1700 1.7
2306 0.5
Sunrise 0550
Sunset 1927

WED 0532 1.6
1122 0.3
1750 1.7
2349 0.3
Sunrise 0548
Sunset 1928

16
THURS 0611 1.7
1207 0.2
1840 1.8
0031 0.3
Sunrise 0546
Sunset 1930

17 0651 1.8
FRI 1254 0.7
1927 1.8
Sunrise 0544
Sunset 1932

LIBRARY

Monday - Friday

08.45am - 12 noon and 1.30pm-5.45pm

Saturday: 10am - 12 noon 2pm-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 Liz Burnett, Tel: 21770 or Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

SQUASH CLUB Thursdays 5-9pm Contact Dik Sawle Tel 21414

NETBALL CLUB Tuesdays 6-8pm, Wednesday 6-7pm All are welcome Contact Sarah Allan 22119

THE FI GUN CLUB New members welcome Contact Ped Tel: 21663 or Graham Didlick 21622 P.O. Box 540

F.I. RIFLE ASSOCIATION Contact Secretary G Check, 21402

STANLEY GOLF CLUB Competitions on Sunday at 8.45 am. Contact Mike Summers on tel: 21542

FI MOTORCYCLE ASSOC. All queries & Information on races etc contact Andrew Newman 21606 or Rowena Summers 21015

YMCA Accommodation available Contact Terry Peck 21074

ASTHMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets second Tuesday of every third month in Day Centre at 5pm Contact Graham France on 21624
FALKLAND ISLANDS RED CROSS ASSOCIATION New members welcome. Contact Secretary Irene Baker 20839 or Chairman Nick Hadden, 21014
GUILD OF SPINNERS, WEAVERS & HANDICRAFTS Meetings on Wednesday evening at 7.30pm Contact Marj McPhee, tel: 21106
CANCER SUPPORT & AWARE-

NESS TRUST Contact Shiralee Collins, 21597. Sister Bridie 22086, Derek Howatt 21385

FIODA Actors/singers/stagehands contact Alan 21019

DIABETIC ASSOCIATION

Meets first Thursday of every month. 7.30pm in the Day Centre

STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB Contact D. Humphreys Tel. 22028

Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm, Fridays 4-5

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB Contact David McLeod Phone: 20836 (day), 20843 (home)

RUNNING CLUB Meets Wednesday 5.30pm, contact Tracy Porter 21574

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Meets 1st Monday every month @ 2000 hrs, WO1&Sgt Mess, Hillside Camp. All ex or serving Service persons welcome. Contact A Geach, R Fiddes or KD Greenland for info 21454 or 27222.

F.I. WESTERN LINE DANCE CLUB: Meets Drill Hall (All welcome) - Mon: 7pm. Contact Tricia Hanton 21406

STANLEY SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

Friday 7-9pm Sundays 4-5pm. Contact Angela Lee on 21762 or M. Humphreys on 22028

JELLY TOTS CLUB meets Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays at the Day Centre from 2.30 - 4pm. All welcome

WELL BABY/CHILD CLINIC

Day Centre KEMH Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am. Contact Miranda Check Health Visitor 27418

Leisure Centre Term Times - Further information/Bookings: tel 27291

Day	Pool	Courts
Monday	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
Tuesday	9.30 - 10.30	Public
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
Wednesday	7.00 - 8.00	
	10.30 - 12.00	Hospital/OAP's
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
Thursday	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	500-7.00	Public
Friday	7.00 - 9.00	Private Hire
	10.00 - 11.30	Parents/Toddlers
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
Saturday	5.00 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	8.00 - 9.00	Private Hire
Sunday	10.00 - 4.00	Public
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults
	10.00 - 4.00	Public
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults

Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 11TH OCTOBER

9.15 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE
 9.40 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 10.05 BRAMBLY HEDGE
 10.30 LIVE AND KICKING (New)
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Racing from Ascot; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.25 TOP OF THE POPS
 6.55 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN When luckless criminal Woody Samms acquires the ability to switch souls and inhabit another man's body, he sees a way of avoiding a ruthless gangster.
 7.40 TURNING POINTS
 7.45 CONFESSIONS
 8.25 CASUALTY Young nurse Tina Seabrook is almost shot during an incident in A & E
 9.15 FILM: CARLITO'S WAY (1993,18) Gangster drama starring Al Pacino and Sean Bean. Heroin dealer Carlito Brigante is released from prison after serving five years of a 30-year sentence
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY Highlights from two top FA Carling Premiership matches including Southampton's visit to Derby's new home, Pride Park
 12.40 GOLF: RYDER CUP HIGHLIGHTS Highlights from day two of the 32nd Ryder Cup: Europe v USA, from Valderrama, Spain

SUNDAY 12TH OCTOBER

10.55 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.05 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.30 BLUE PETER
 11.55 ONE HIT WONDERS
 12.35 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.10 HOT GADGETS
 1.40 THE CHART SHOW
 2.20 BROOKSIDE Mick and Elaine feel the whole world is against them
 3.30 AS TIME GOES BY
 4.00 THE GREAT ANTIQUES HUNT This week's edition comes from Leeds Castle and Hever Castle in Kent
 4.45 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
 5.10 WILDLIFE ON ONE David Attenborough looks at the beetle
 5.40 FILM: RETURN OF THE NATIVE (1994) Drama based on Thomas Hardy's novel, starring Catherine Zeta Jones and Clive Owen
 7.15 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.45 BLIND DATE
 8.40 HEARTBEAT Jo's concern about an absent schoolboy leads to a shocking discovery
 9.30 BORN TO RUN Lil is giving her wheeling-dealing son, Byron, sleepless nights with her new devotion to sex and book-keeping
 10.25 FRIENDS: US comedy series
 10.50 GOLF: RYDER CUP HIGHLIGHTS Presented by Steve Rider
 11.50 TOTP 2

MONDAY 13TH OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 BOOK BOX 10.15 NUMBERTIME 10.30
 GOOD HEALTH 10.45 TOTS TV
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS It's war between Deb and Darren
 2.30 GARDEN PARTY
 2.55 TRACKS
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
 4.00 MORPH TV WITH TONY HART
 4.15 CARTOON CRITTERS
 4.40 YOU'LL NEVER BELIEVE IT!
 5.10 PIRATES
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Shannon has a huge decision on her hands
 5.55 TOP GEAR
 6.25 MASTERMIND
 6.55 CORONATION STREET The boys in blue pay Sally a visit
 7.45 THE BILL Powers of Persuasion: A witness to a hit-and-run accident is wanted for fraud and will only give evidence if the charges against him are dropped
 8.10 CLIVE JAMES ON TV (New)
 8.35 PILGRIMS REST (New)
 9.05 McCALLUM In a new two-part story, the bodies of two people killed by poison end up on McCallum's slab, it marks the beginning of psychological warfare, with McCallum himself the intended final victim
 10.00 FILM '97
 10.30 BLACK BOX Blaming the Pilot: Concluding this documentary series on the work of air crash investigators with a look at how human error plays a major part in air accidents
 11.20 FOOTBALL LEAGUE REVIEW

TUESDAY 14TH OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS: 10.00 FOURWAYS FARM 10.10 STORYTIME
 10.25 ZIGZAG 10.45 SNUG & COZI
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Toadie's apologies fail to work on Jo
 2.30 CHANGING ROOMS
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: JAY'S WORLD
 4.00 TO ME TO YOU
 4.25 NAME THAT TOON
 4.50 BLUE PETER
 5.15 AGENT Z AND THE PENGUIN FROM MARS (Repeat)

5.40 HOME AND AWAY Tegan surprises everyone with her culinary talents
 6.00 BEADLE'S HOT SHOTS
 6.30 EMMERDALE Terry hatches a plan to take a holiday
 6.55 SCENE HERE Presented by Caroline Young
 7.25 EASTENDERS Pauline and her family make an emotional journey to Ireland to meet her long-lost half-sister
 7.55 MR BEAN GOES TO TOWN
 8.20 PRESTON FRONT Spock is confronted by a listless student
 9.00 MATCH OF THE DAY Liverpool v Celtic in the UEFA Cup, Second Leg
 10.55 BREAKING THE NEWS
 11.55 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 15TH OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 STAGE ONE 10.15 TELETUBBIES 10.45 TOTS
 TV Puppet series
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Sarah and Alex fall for the same man
 2.30 THE AIR SHOW (New)
 3.00 THE CLOTHES SHOW
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: KIPPER
 4.00 RUGRATS
 4.25 ANIMAL ARK
 4.50 IT'LL NEVER WORK
 5.15 THE SCOOP
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Aaron tells Casey she has lost sight of why she wants to play the piano. Father Little returns from his retreat
 6.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
 6.30 EMMERDALE Alex turns up at James' birthday party bearing gifts. Terry and Vic get a shock. Fiona tells Will who she really is
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Mavis and Rita experience an alternative lifestyle. Sally is issued with a summons
 7.45 THE BILL A Rock and a Hard Place: Conway puts pressure on Deakin and Carver to find a vicious robber who preys on elderly victims
 8.10 DRIVING SCHOOLS (New)
 8.40 FRIENDS US sitcom
 9.05 PEAK PRACTICE Will suspects Kate has post-natal depression. But as their baby daughter's health deteriorates, they have to face a much greater threat
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 FILM: THE CROW (1994,18) Horror movie starring Brandon Lee
 12.10 SUNNYSIDE FARM Wendy takes Ray in after he manages to bulldoze his home
 12.40 UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE HIGHLIGHTS Highlights of Newcastle's game against Ukrainian champions Dynamo Kiev, plus reaction to Man. United's clash with Juventus

THURSDAY 16TH OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 MEGAMATHS 10.20 LANDMARKS 10.40
 SCHOOLS AT WORK 10.45 THE RIDDERS
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Tim and Susan part on good terms. Jo goes on the drive of her life
 2.30 VISIONS OF SNOWDONIA
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 4.00 SOOTY AND CO
 4.20 REBOOT
 4.45 BLUE PETER
 5.15 MY DAD'S A BORING NERD
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Marilyn is convinced she is a theatrical failure
 6.00 CALL MY BLUFF
 6.30 EMMERDALE Betty offers her services to Vic
 6.55 ANIMAL HOSPITAL (New)
 7.25 EASTENDERS Pauline and her long-lost half-sister, Maggie spend time getting know one another
 7.55 TIGER BAY Jodie decides to teach Roy a lesson by getting over-friendly with Warwick at The Trader. Roy starts putting pressure on Salim, who's anxious to keep Kate in the dark
 8.25 GET FIT WITH BRITTAS
 8.35 3D Reports on bogus and unqualified nannies; and the rising tide of casualties among thirtysomething bikers
 9.00 SMITH & JONES
 9.30 ROOM 101 Tonight, Alan Davies
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 THIS LIFE It's Miles's stag night and the more drunk he gets, the more attractive Anna seems. Millie's doubts about her affair come to a climax
 11.15 HORIZON Crater of Death: Story of the mass extinction of dinosaurs
 12.05 THE CHAIR Psychologist Oliver James talks to MP Peter Mandelson

FRIDAY 17TH OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 EUREKA! 10.15 STOP, LOOK, LISTEN 10.30 STAGE
 TWO SCIENCE 10.45 POTAMUS PARK
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Philip discovers the source of his irritation. Lou's business deal goes awry
 2.30 AN INSPECTOR CALLS
 2.55 COMEDY CLASSIC: YES, PRIME MINISTER
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: DINOBABIES
 4.15 BANANAMAN
 4.20 PENNSYLVANIA PET SHOP
 5.00 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
 5.15 KNIGHT SCHOOL

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

5.35 HOME AND AWAY Will Shannon decide to go to Paris with Mandy?
 6.00 SPACE CADETS
 6.25 THE WHITBREAD: THE WORLD'S GREATEST OCEAN RACE
 6.55 SCENE HERE Presented by Richard Astbury
 7.25 EASTENDERS As the Fowler's holiday to Ireland draws to a close, Pauline finally fits the last piece to the jigsaw of her family tree
 7.55 PIE IN THE SKY (New)
 8.45 SEE YOU FRIDAY Greg decides to tell Lucy his greatest secret.
 9.10 THE BROKER'S MAN (New) Drama series of two-part stories starring Kevin Whately as Jimmy Griffin, a former policeman now working as an insurance investigator
 10.00 RAB C NESBITT
 10.30 BODYGUARDS A Cold War defector returns to London on a top-secret visit
 11.20 TFI FRIDAY

SATURDAY 18TH OCTOBER

9.15 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE
 9.35 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 10.05 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES (New)
 10.30 LIVE AND KICKING
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Racing from Longchamps and Chepstow, rounds 21 & 22 of the British Superbike Championship from Donnington; coverage of canoeing's slalom world championships from Brazil; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.30 TOP OF THE POPS
 7.00 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN
 7.45 CONFESSIONS

8.25 CASUALTY
 9.15 FILM: BODYSNATCHERS (1993,18)
 10.40 KILLER BEES
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY

SUNDAY 19TH OCTOBER

10.50 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.05 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.30 BLUE PETER
 11.55 BIG BREAK STARS OF THE FUTURE
 12.25 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.00 HOT GADGETS
 1.30 THE CHART SHOW
 2.20 BROOKSIDE
 3.30 AS TIME GOES BY
 4.00 HOLIDAY MEMORIES (New)
 4.30 GLORIA'S TIME OFF WITH...Nigel Hawthorne
 4.45 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
 5.15 FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP
 7.05 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.35 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT
 9.20 BORN TO RUN
 10.15 FRIENDS
 10.40 NETWORK FIRST Victoria and Albert (part 1)
 11.30 TOTP 2
 The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY October 11th

6.00 News BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.30 News and Sport from five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 The hole at the top of the world
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 Murder at the Vicarage
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY October 12th

5.00 News: BFBS
 5.03 Music fill
 5.15 Dessert Island Discs
 6.00 Music Fill
 6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service-Tabernacle
 8.00 Sports Roundup
 8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didlick
 8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.00 News Desk
 9.30 Juste Plaine Madness
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS
 MONDAY October 13th
 10.03 Morning show - Loma
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS

12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The Late Afternoon Show
 6.00 Country Crossroads
 6.30 The Grumbleweeds
 7.00 Hoplite to Harrier
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 BBC Story of Pop
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 Boogie up the River
 10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY October 14th

10.03 Morning Show - Loma
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Review of CD's of the week
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 St. News
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert - Gabrielle
 7.30 News and Sports
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Venom
 8.30 Paths of Inspiration
 9.00 News desk from the BBC

9.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 9.00 The Human Child
 9.30 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS
 WEDNESDAY October 15th
 10.03 Morning show - Loma
 12.00 News BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 B.F.B.S Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Late Afternoon Show
 5.45 The Folk Show Rpt
 6.30 Just a minute
 7.00 Whale songs and deep sea blues
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Classic Concerts
 9.00 News Desk from BBC
 9.28 Rpt, weather & flights
 9.30 Listen with Les
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News from BFBS

THURSDAY October 16th

10.03 Morning Show - Loma
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Annos
 B.F.B.S Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Music Fill
 5.30 On Stage: Johnny Mathis
 6.30 Memories are made of this - with Tony Burnett

7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Pot Luck with Myriam
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt weather and Flights
 9.30 Cont. with Pot Luck
 10.00 News BFBS
 FRIDAY October 17th
 10.03 Morning Show - Loma
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Announcements, B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The late afternoon show
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 The late afternoon show - cont
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 Headbangers Ball
 7.30 Five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights Annos
 8.30 Rpt News Magazine
 8.00 Announcers half hour
 8.30 Country Crossroads
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 News Magazine rpt.
 10.00 News B.F.B.S.

All programmes are subject to change. Any changes will be broadcast on FIBS

.....AND OVER TO B.F.B.S.

SATURDAY

0000 News & Me Mark Page 0200 News & Eurozone 0400 News & Benny Brown 0600 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0830 News Magazine 0903 Sports n all 1100 Sport on 5 1400 News & Me Mark Page 1600 News & Benny Brown 1800 News 7 Eurozone with A Donovan 2000 News & Rockola 2200 Steve Mason

SUNDAY

0000 News & Weekend World - Jamie Gordon 0200 TNews 7 UK Music Week - Gary King 0400 News & Bob Harris 0700 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0800 Steve McQueen 1003 UK Music Week 1200 Lunchtime Show 1400 News & Weekend Word - Jamie Gordon 1600 Bob Harris 1900 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 2100 News & Essential selection 2200 News & London Tonight

MONDAY

0000 London tonight continued 0100 News & Gold - Dave Windsor 0200 Today Programme - Radio 4 0400 News & Essential selection 0500 News & early breakfast from London 0600 The Breakfast Show Dusty Miller 0900 Dave Windsor-Gold 1000 News & FIBS Morning Show 1200 News 3" FIBS Announcements 1215 The Archers 1230 BFBS Reports 1300 Newsplus 1330 Sid Olivera 1603 Essential selection 1703 Connect UK - Andy Wright 1900 Evening show 2100 News & Rock Show 2300 News & London Tonight

TUESDAY

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Freelander 3-door Hardback

The launch of Freelander caps a brilliant half century of product range evolution, in which the Land Rover brand has become acknowledged across the world as the icon of professional four-wheel drive expertise and innovation.

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General Election 1997

Enthusiastic voters at FICS straw poll

THE widely held view (among adults anyway) that young people have little or no interest in politics was thoroughly debunked on Thursday, October 10. (Polling Day) as students in the Community School voted in their own version of the General Election that was taking place concurrently in Stanley Town Hall.

The shadow election was organised by 'Returning Officer', Phil Middleton, who had utilised a large notice board filled with cuttings from *Penguin News* to ensure the youngsters were well briefed on candidates and their policies. They were also encouraged to debate the issues among themselves and with staff.

As well as the issues espoused by candidates, students were asked to consider 'what makes a good councillor', how they viewed the 'balance of male/female councillors', their feelings on 'Islander/non-Islander' candidates, and the 'single constituency debate'.

The question of MPA electors was one hotly argued issue, some students believing those voters should be included on the Camp Electoral Role, others that they should be voting in Stanley and still others that they should not have the vote at all.

One point that many agreed on was that it is difficult for a new 'runner' to break into the circle - a circumstance perhaps emphasised by the media which tended to 'split them into ex-councillors and those with no political experience'.

The split between Stanley and Camp electors in the school equates almost exactly to the real electorate, with around 76% of voters making their choices from the Stanley candidates, and 23% from Camp. To safeguard the real integrity of the poll only students have the vote - staff have been excluded.

So, how did the young voters evaluate candidates before completing their ballot papers. Larissa



Pupil: Larissa Irwin at the FICS Irwin. Year nine, cast her votes on the basis of 'personal knowledge' of the candidates combined with the study she made of the summarised manifestos published in *Penguin News*. There were no particular issues, she said that swayed her, but she did admit that she had been "influenced by the overall summaries - both presentation and content." Larissa said only two candidates impressed her sufficiently to get her vote, a situation she believed would pertain amongst many of her peers.

One of the recurring themes of debates in the school has been the lack of younger candidates on offer, and what prevents them from coming forward - one theory being that, 'they have more important things to do'. Out of these debates has emerged the proposal of organising a 'young persons forum'.

Once voting closed Phil Middleton, as Returning Officer, counted the votes and sealed the count in the school safe until the results of the election proper were known. The final results of both elections can be found on the front page of this issue.

Blithe Spirit in FIODA

THEATRE going comedy aficionados will be filled with glee to learn that the next offering from the busily fertile FIODA is to be Noel Coward's *Blithe Spirit* (described with admirable restraint as 'an improbable farce') and due to be staged on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 23, 24 and 25 in Stanley Town Hall.

Tickets, priced at £3.00 for adults and £1.50 for children, students and Senior Citizens, will be available from the Speedwell Store and on the door. The producers warn that the show may not appeal to very young members of the community or indeed be suitable

or of interest to children under twelve years of age.

Soft drinks and sweets will be available for purchase before curtain up and during the interval, at each performance. Doors open at 6.30pm for curtain up at 7.30pm.

The 'talent to amuse' that hall-marked Noel Coward's career is nowhere in stronger evidence than in *Blithe Spirit*. So don't miss the opportunity to enjoy his unique humour acted out in Stanley by some familiar faces.

If you require more information you should contact Helen Blades or Fraser Wallace on telephone 21632.

Synergy survey on polling day

ON their way from voting on Thursday, a proportion of the Stanley electorate were approached, by Nikki Buxton (Synergy Information Systems) with a list of questions.

Nikki, assisted by Debbie Summers asked voters 1. What is your age/sex? 2. Where were you born and how long have you lived in the Falklands? 3. How many votes did you cast? and 4. What do you feel was the most important issue raised during the election campaign?

Nikki told *Penguin News* that she felt it important that the above questions were asked, because answers would reveal, "social and demographic aspects of the election."

The straw poll was undertaken wholly by Synergy Systems with no other sponsorship. The Chief



Above: Nikki questions Patrick Watts Executive, Returning Officer and Attorney General were aware that it would take place, confirmed Nikki.

Mercopress watch the election



KEEPING Argentine newspapers up to date with the Falklands election is Carlos Bernard Jones of the Uruguayan Press Agency *Mercopress*.

Mercopress who provide *Penguin News* with articles from South America in exchange for news from the Islands, is a syndicate owned agency with stringers all over the American continent.

Carlos, however, has personal

as well as journalistic links with the Islands; he is the son of Freddie Jones, the ex skipper of the mail and passenger ship *Darwin*. Carlos spent some time in the Islands as a child.

According to Carlos, the Falklands' election is low on the agenda of Argentine journalists at present, due to the imminent arrival of President Clinton in Argentina, and other factors.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE

PRESS RELEASE

AS you might imagine, many hundreds of thousands of people around the world have, since the tragic death of Diana, Princess of Wales, sent letters of condolence and presents to the Prince of Wales, Prince William and Prince Harry at St James's Palace in London. The volume of correspondence has been quite overwhelming and, whilst the Prince of Wales has ensured that as many as possible of the more than 300,000 letters have been answered, this will not be possible in every case.

It is with this in mind that the Prince of Wales and the young Princes have asked me to make known to the people of the Falkland Islands their deep appreciation of the very kind thoughts and tremendous generosity which they have shown in the letters they have written and the gifts they have sent. The Prince of Wales and his sons have been enormously touched by the public support shown to them all around the world, and have taken great strength from it.

The Prince of Wales and his sons would like, through me, to say thank you, and to pass on to everybody who wrote to them their heartfelt best wishes, and to assure them that every letter has been read and each one gratefully received.

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Weather for September

THE month turned out to be the coldest September since records began in 1986. The mean maximum and mean minimum temperatures were both record lows. Indeed, the maximum temperature throughout the month never managed to reach double figures! What a contrast to last September, which was very much milder than average with a maximum temperature of 22.1 degrees C. Along with being so cold the month was also the least sunny.

Temperature
The mean maximum of 5.7 degrees C was well below the average of 7.5 degrees C, as was the mean minimum of -0.5 degrees C, the average being +0.9 degrees C. The highest maximum recorded was just 9.2 degrees C on the 18th. This is more than two degrees lower than the previous lowest maximum of 11.5 degrees C in 1987. The lowest minimum was -6.1 degrees on the 14th.

Rainfall
No average records were broken here. The total of 26.2mm being somewhat less than the average of 32.3mm.

Snow
The incidence of snow/sleet, 15 days, was another record. The previous highest being 14 days in 1987. However, there were no large falls of snow and the greatest depth recorded was just 1cm on the 1st of the month.

Sunshine
The total of 113.1 hours was well down on the average of 133 hours. The sunniest day was the 6th when we had 9.7 hours and there was only one day, the 4th, when no sunshine was recorded.

Wind/Gales
Thankfully, given the low temperatures, it was less windy than average with there being just one day of gales compared with the average of three days. The highest gust recorded was 49 knots on the 13th.

Weather statistics
Long term averages for Stanley (1962-81) are shown in parenthesis. Temperatures are in degrees Celsius, winds in knots, rainfall in millimetres and sunshine in hours. Highest daily maximum temperature 9.2 (18.3).

Lowest daily minimum -6.1 (-6.7)
Mean daily maximum temperature 5.7 (7.0)

Mean daily minimum temperature -0.5 (0.8)

Total monthly rainfall 26.2 (36.4)
Total monthly sunshine 113.1 (132.5)

Number of days with rain 22
Number of days with snow 15 (7.7)

Number of days with snow lying at 1300Z 6

Number of days with fog* 4 (3.1)

Number of days with air frost 19 (9.8)

Number of days with hail 10 (1.2)

Number of days with thunderstorms 0 (0)

Number of days with gales 1 (5.2)

Number of days with gusts 34kts or more 13 (19.4)

Highest gust 49 (77)
* Includes reductions due to blowing snow or heavy snow showers.

Moto Cross is back

Report by Jim Moffatt...

THE 1997/98 Moto Cross season opener starts at the Travellers Rest Moto Cross Circuit on Sunday, October 26. This circuit demands lots of courage and technical ability as the many jumps, drop-offs and turns can tax the most experienced riders. Without doubt, this is the course for 'headbangers'.

This year will see a similar racing format to last year's, excepting that during Christmas week it has been proposed that we hold a one day enduro rather than a moto cross race. This will help prepare riders who are thinking of taking part in the 1998 Welsh International Enduro. It could also be fun for anyone thinking of taking up the sport, as enduros are not as fast and furious as moto cross.

The Championship is open for grabs this year due mainly to Derek Jaffray still recovering from injury. Jonny Summers, Jan Clarke, Shane Blackley and Andrew Alazia are all capable of winning, and if last year is anything to go by Dustin Clarke will be providing the ever so spectacular endos - (only joking Dustin!).

In the Juniors, last year's champion, Jay Moffatt will be trying to retain his crown against last year's number two, Eddie Grimmer, though they could both be in trouble if Sean Moffatt gets his nose in



Above: a moto-crosser takes to the air in a scene from one of last year's races. In a few short years Moto Cross has established itself as one of the Falklands' most popular sports for both competitors and spectators

front as he could prove very difficult to overtake.

A full list of the rider's names and the bikes they will be riding will be published, hopefully, next week.

The ever-popular Dance of the Flaming Exhaust Pipes 1996 Prize Giving Extravaganza will be taking place on October 17 in the FIDF Drill Hall (thanks to the FIDF). Music and dancing for all

ages, raffles, food, and a chance to chat about the 'if only's' and 'when I's' of last year's racing. Tickets are on sale priced at a giveaway £5 each; contact Rowena Summers, she has lots of them available.

Anyone wanting to know more about the club's activities, please contact Rowena Summers or Jim Moffatt on 22723 during office hours.

Whitbread yachts set sail

by Graham Bound for Mercopress

THE Whitbread, world's most famous yacht race and the Formula One event of the sailing world, commenced on the afternoon of Sunday, September 21, from Southampton.

Nine yachts set off in brisk winds to a great fanfare. As helicopters and TV camera teams hovered overhead and fast launches carried more spectators and journalists close to the boats, a large crowd gathered on the Isle of Wight, the home of British sailing, to bid the racers farewell.

Arend Van Bergeijk, a Dutch sailor aboard the yacht *Brunel Smergy*, commented that with over 8,000 miles to go before the end of the first stage of the race in Capetown, South Africa, it barely mattered whether a boat was half an hour late crossing the line. "but," he said, "we all have a lot of pride and with the world watching us we want to look good as we set off."

The 60 foot long super-yachts, each crewed by up to fourteen of the best sailors in the world, are

competing in purpose-built vessels designed to limits set by the organisers but differing in small details that designers and crews hope will give them a sufficient edge to win the race.

It will, however, be a long time before anyone knows who will win the coveted trophy presented by Volvo Cars. The boats are not expected to arrive back in Southampton until May 24 next year. Between now and then, the competitors will race on legs taking them to Cape Town, Fremantle, Sydney, Auckland, past the Falkland Islands to Sao Sebastiao, Fort Lauderdale, Baltimore and La Rochelle. The first of the boats is expected to arrive in Brazil around February 23.

The leg of the race from Auckland to Sao Sebastiao is expected to be the most challenging, following a curved route into Antarctic waters below 60 degrees south, where the boats will have to face the dangers of icebergs and ferocious winds. Though no boats have been lost in any of the previous six races these seas have claimed the lives of some crew.

At this stage it is impossible to predict a winner. What can be said is that the race will be furious and unforgiving. With more than eight months of sailing ahead, victory could go to any one of the yachts.

Jurassic Parker

From the Environmental Research Unit, Stanley

EVER since the discovery of the first dinosaur bones, scientists have speculated about how dinosaurs would have looked. The truth of the matter is, however, that the colours of dinosaurs depicted in books and films such as *Jurassic Park* are purely guesswork. Dinosaurs could have been pink with blue spots - well, perhaps not!

This could all change soon, however, since Andrew Parker, a biophysicist at the Australian Museum in Sydney, recently discovered that cell structures such as diffraction gratings and

chromatophores can still be found intact in some fossils. These structures determine the colour of scaly creatures such as fish and reptiles, and, when these structures are examined, they can reveal the true colour of the long extinct animal from which they came.

Parker has now used this technique to determine the colours of ancient fish from fossils that are much older than dinosaur fossils, and now hopes to expand the work to include dinosaurs. If all goes well, goodness knows what *Jurassic Park III* will be like.

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Fortuna Ltd will have the following for sale from the containers behind the Globe Tavern at 4.30pm Monday 13th October. Oddments of building materials surplus to requirements including small quantities of sheathing ply, plasterboard and joint tape, Visqueen building plastic, 1 interior door, 100mm rock wool insulation, oddments of Swish cladding, Tyvek; also assorted domestic electrical fittings and wire, banding machine and tape, 4 single velour headboards - colour champagne, 2 second-hand pine single beds, 3 second-hand single mattresses. Come and make us an offer

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NOTICES

VOLUNTARY GENTOO PENGUIN PROJECT

For some years now Falklands Conservation have been receiving regular information from some landowners on the numbers and breeding success of their Gentoo Penguins.

If any other landowners would like to help us with this information we would be happy to supply them with forms, stamped addressed envelopes and instructions to do the work for us.

On Saturday the 11th October. Robin Woods, respected ornithologist currently visiting the Islands from the UK, will lead a guided bird walk along the shore to Christina Bay. Anyone wishing to attend is to meet in the FIGAS car park at 10am on Saturday morning. The walk is expected to be approximately 3.5 miles, and should be finished by 1pm. Bring binoculars if you have them, although a few pairs will be available to borrow from Conservation on the day. Children are welcome.

The general public are notified that the FIDF will be exercising in the area to the West of Stanley during Friday 10 and Saturday 11 October 1997.

This will involve the use of pyrotechnics and blank ammunition

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Require a Field Assistant for approximately 5 weeks commencing from the 20th October 1997.

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In an attempt to streamline our accounting procedures and make the system more user friendly the Department of Agriculture wishes to remind customers that we have introduced a system of cash payments for Veterinary services/drugs which will require payment at the time of consultation.

Customers are requested to make sure they bring cash with them when they visit the surgery. Camp customers are also encouraged to send cash/cheques where possible with orders for drugs, laboratory tests, account books etc., however, in instances where this is not possible the usual billing system will still be used.

I would like to give advice to whoever it may concern of the change of my surname from GILDING to SUMMERS
DEBBIE SUMMERS

The Falkland Islands Motor Cycle Association will be holding its annual prize giving at the Drill Hall on the 17th October, Music, dancing, raffles and food. Tickets from Rowena Summers, Falkland Farmers and The Tool Box priced at £5 each

PERSONAL



To Gerald Harrison in New Zealand Happy Birthday, just think what this cute boy grew up into. From the Shallow Harbour Crowd

Marion would like to say cheerio to all her evening class students of the last 10 years. Especially the old faithfuls like Margaret, Maria and Vanda. I have really enjoyed teaching you and look forward to seeing you again in 2 years.

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The Environmental Research Unit is offering a number of places for students wishing to gain an insight into Environmental Research.

The courses are designed to fit around the school calendar, and comprise of: 1) Classroom and outdoor training prior to end of term. 2) 3 weeks individual project work during the summer vacation. 3) Evaluation of student projects and certificate of completion. The courses are FREE of charge. Minimum age is 14 years, however younger students may apply if a responsible adult undertakes to supervise project work. Mature students also welcome. For details write to: Environmental Research Unit, PO Box 434, Stanley.

Postscript from St. Mary's - Subsidiarity

The social principle of subsidiarity is an important structural principle of free social communities that respect human dignity. A really democratic society or state is unthinkable without a structure, organisation and division of tasks based on subsidiarity. The word derives from the Latin "subsidiium" which means giving support and assistance. The state and the social community, and for that matter, every lesser authority, should interfere in a 'subsidiary' way, i.e., give assistance to a lower level organisation (such as the family) only if that organisation cannot meet its obligations by itself.

Accordingly, it is not the duty of the state and public authority to draw all tasks to itself and control the life of the community by giving directives from the centre. The principle of subsidiarity demands rather that, as far as possible, tasks should be delegated and private initiative be encouraged and supported. That applies to every social organisation, including the Church. The principle of subsidiarity is a general social principle in a free society conscious of the dignity of the human person.

(PS. I'm describing the principle, without pointing the finger at anybody.)

VACANCIES

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Consolidated Fisheries Ltd is looking for a person to work at sea on chartered vessels and its own longliner, *CFL Pioneer*

The successful applicant will be self motivated, assertive, able to work unsupervised, have a knowledge of the fishing business and be fluent in the Spanish and English language. Duties at sea include monitoring the catch, applying quality control specifications, liaison between the ships' officers and the CFL office and ensuring that FIG reporting requirements are adhered to. At the conclusion of each trip a detailed report of the trip will be produced so a good working knowledge of word processor, spreadsheet and data base computer packages is essential. Interested applicants should contact the CFL Managing Director, Martin Cox by telephone at 22277 to find out more about the job and arrange an interview.

Applications for this position close at 4.30pm on Friday 24 October 1997

Byron Marine Limited will have a vacancy from early November 1997 for an experienced deckhand. Interested parties should in the first instance contact our office on telephone 22245 prior to Friday, October 18, 1997

NOTICES

Byron Holdings Ltd wishes to rent a fully furnished 2 or 3 bedroom residential property in Stanley for approximately 12 months, commencing in January 1998. Offers or expressions of interest should be made to David Hall or Lewis Clifton on Tel: 22245 or Fax 22246

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New LegCo new ExCo

AFTER swearing to the Oath of Allegiance at the inaugural meeting of the new Legislative Council on Wednesday, October 8, the eight newly elected councillors cast their votes to select an Executive Council to begin the new administration.

First to be elected, representing the Stanley Constituency, was Lewis Clifton. He was quickly joined by Richard Cockwell for Camp, and Sharon Halford for both Stanley and the Camp.

Speaking to the motion, John Birmingham welcomed new members to the house, thanked the electorate for supporting him and then made oblique reference to recent events. "freedom of speech," he said, "is enshrined in our Constitution and would therefore apply to everyone, including government employees."

He urged councillors to join him in working towards, "bridging the Stanley/Camp divide... even if that means Camp councillors becoming interested in Stanley affairs."

Councillor Cheek, (successful after four election campaigns) spoke of the 'awe' she felt when considering the task this Council faces. In pointing out there is no guarantee

of oil revenue coming to the Islands, she said, "Perhaps we should be working, not on how we will spend any oil money in the future, but on what we will do if there isn't any oil money."

Councillor Cheek deprecated the perceived inability of government to build houses quickly, a problem, she said, that extended into other projects. "Mobile homes are not the answer," she said "Some of those already here are beginning to fall to bits... If they are not considered suitable for contract officers what kind of message is it sending to our young professionals when we expect them to live there."

One of Councillor Clifton's themes also centred on democratic rights which he termed, "a very serious thorn. We need," he said, "to quickly address the divide between what is permissible under Standing Orders and what is permissible under the Constitution."

He then gave 'notice' that he would be working toward Constitutional reform that would include the whole of the Falklands becoming a single constituency.

Richard Cockwell commended Councillor Norma Edwards for her

excellent work in representing the Falklands overseas. "She is an example to all of us," he said. "We have to go over and represent the country not only in the United Nations and the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association but in Britain to show we are a truly democratic people."

On oil he expressed his wish that the operators, "will see fit to use facilities in the Islands rather than go overseas." He echoed Councillor Cheek's warning that Council should be looking at how the general quality of life in the Falklands could be maintained if oil was not found in commercial quantities, and suggested agricultural exports might be an answer.

Expressing her agreement with Richard Cockwell that it is important we are represented at overseas political events, Councillor Norma Edwards conveyed the good wishes of Baroness Thatcher to the Islanders. She endorsed Councillor Cheek's comments on housing and blamed government bureaucracy for many delays in completing projects. "Very dear to my heart," she said, "is the provision of more Sheltered Housing."

Councillor Sharon Halford said it was her belief that civil servants already had freedom of speech, "however, I do feel Standing Orders should be amended and as the Chief Executive said it could be done within a week I shall be making sure that he and the Attorney General do it within that time."

Councillor Luxton expressed his opposition to the single constituency espoused by Councillor

Jason doing well down under

THE Executive Board and staff of the Falkland Islands Development Corporation were delighted to hear recently that Jason Alazia, currently attending a Wool Classing course at the Gordon Institute in Geelong, Victoria, Australia, has passed his first set of exams with a mark of 86%.

Jason, who comes from Goose Green, left the Falklands in early July this year and will sit his final exams in December. He is due to arrive back in the Islands shortly afterwards in time for the christening of his nephew, Wade, son of Jason's sister, Alison, and Lennie Ford.

Clifton, "I do disagree with him on the subject of one constituency," he said, "so I fear we will be on opposing sides on that project. With the numbers we have, in the end there wouldn't be any representation from the Camp." He decried what he called, "ridiculous restrictions" imposed on FIGAS and confirmed he would be giving his attention to the roads programme.

Councillor Mike Summers paid tribute to those candidates who did not win LegCo seats. "I admire their courage in offering to serve their country," he said. He praised FIGAS for positive action they are taking and talked of the, "responsibility on the private sector to grasp new opportunities."

"Let the theme for this Council, he said, "therefore be 'how we can' and not 'why we cannot!'"

Troop cut reports wildly exaggerate

REPORTS in the British press on Thursday, October 16, claiming wholesale reductions in the number of military personnel based at Mount Pleasant are shortly to take place, have been soundly rubbished by His Excellency, the Governor, Mr Richard Ralph in a statement from Government House.

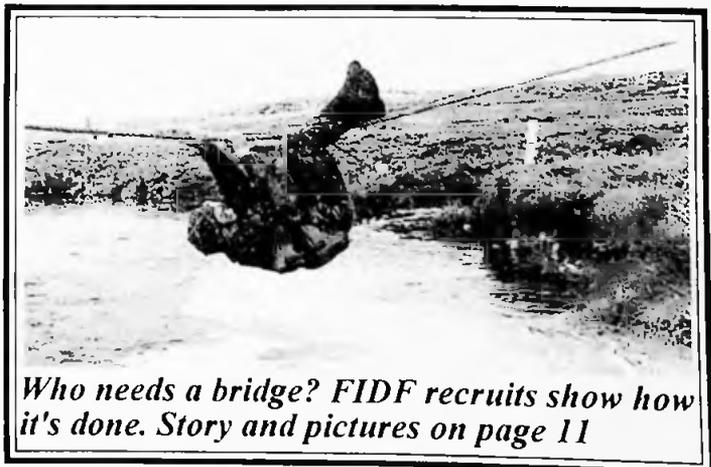
"The reports we have been getting from the British press are wildly exaggerated, in particular the story in today's *Sun* (Oct 16) linking reductions in the Falkland Islands garrison with Britain's health service are completely inaccurate. The British Government remains fully committed to the right of Islanders to determine their own future. That said, Her Majesty's Government naturally keeps under review the forces that are necessary to meet all their commitments to ensure all their responsibilities

are discharged as efficiently as possible. The Falkland Islands are no exception as part of this ongoing process.

The Ministry of Defence have looked at their requirements in the Falklands and are considering some small adjustments which can be made without detriment to the ability to defend the Islands.

The Governor and the Commander, British Forces Falkland Islands, briefed all elected councillors on the proposed adjustments on Wednesday, October 15.

The British ability to defend the Falkland Islands depends on the ability to reinforce the Islands rapidly, and on the substantial garrison that is to remain. It is not based on a particular headcount. For obvious reasons it would not be wise to advertise the changes that are planned."



Who needs a bridge? FIDF recruits show how it's done. Story and pictures on page 11

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THERE are moments, I would imagine, in all of our lives when we encounter the thought that life has inexplicably, and just for a moment, crossed into the realm of the surreal: a feeling experienced by myself one evening this week when I discovered my four year old son on the telephone, engaged in an 'exchange of pleasantries with the Argentine Foreign Minister. Dr di Tella

My impression of the fairly innocuous conversation I held with the gentleman afterwards (which I shall refer to presently, as it may hold some small interest for readers) I must admit was somewhat overshadowed by the amusement caused by a later comment on the scenario from a friend. It was suggested that if Dr di Tella's conversation with such a young Islander (my son) qualified as part of his 'charm offensive' then he should probably be commended for such imaginative long term planning. A comment no doubt supported by di Tella's statement to *Página 12* on October 9, "It's possible that with the seduction policy we need a hundred years, and not five, to recuperate the Islands"

Frivolity apart, in conversation Dr di Tella simply took the opportunity to moot the concept of Islanders visiting Argentina on further lecture tours, with much emphasis on how well looked after those individuals would be. Unfortunately for the gentleman in question I suspect that having now commended the concept personally, a few of those Islanders formerly supportive of the idea will now be plagued by suspicions. A sort of 'damned if you do, damned if you don't' situation in the opinion of some individuals. (A phrase incidentally which became a byword in the *Penguin News* office over the past two weeks with respect to anticipated responses to our publishing Mr Mike Forrest's letter).

BELOW I have included a letter to the Editor of *Teaberry Express* accompanied by the reason for doing so. I would, however, like to reiterate my statement that *Penguin News* have refrained, despite provocation, to become involved in pointless argument in the past with a lady who we are aware is appreciated by many in the community for her continuing achievement in producing an alternative weekly newspaper.

The following letter is provided for the information of readers of *Penguin News* in the light of a refusal by the Editor of *Teaberry Express* to confirm whether or not she would print the letter in her newspaper.

Dear Ms Brock

Despite editorial comments made by yourself in the past regarding the local media which I feel have occasionally questioned the integrity of *Penguin News*, I have always refrained from publicly commenting on your 'allegations' for no other reason than to prevent pointless 'bad feeling' between our publications, all of which, I believe, provide a service to the community. However, as a result of recent comments in your publication regarding *Penguin News*, which I regard as both inaccurate and uninformed, and because of the sensitivity of the issue and the potentially damaging nature of those comments, I feel obliged on this occasion to respond.

In *Teaberry Express* Vol. 9 No. 7 (10-17 Oct) you suggested that questions asked at the public meeting by local media (or 'local agents' of South American press as you phrased it) regarding 'secret talks' were for the benefit of the South American press - a comment which has absolutely no basis in truth.

At the public meeting in question, *Penguin News* Deputy Editor, Mr Tony Burnett, asked the question, "As truth and honesty seem to be themes in this election campaign can we clear up this particular matter once and for all. How many meetings, secret or otherwise, were held in the build up to Chevening, and who were the councillors who attended them?" Mr Burnett, who is a member of the local electorate, asked the question for no other reason than to clarify the matter in his mind, and in the minds of other voters. Incidentally, Mr Burnett was thanked after the meeting for raising the question by a number of the Falklands' citizens present.

If *Penguin News* had felt the need to ask the question on behalf of a foreign news agency, such as *Mercopress* (to whom I presume you refer) which we did not, it would not have occurred at such a public meeting. *Penguin News* had however, no reason to do so as a representative of *Mercopress* was in the Islands at the time, a gentleman perfectly capable of contacting candidates personally. (Personal contact being a far more constructive approach. I would suggest, when one considers that any individual becomes far more informative when not being listened to by a large audience.)

Your readers should also be aware that you made no attempt to approach *Penguin News* staff for the purpose of enquiring into the motivation behind the question, and simply drew your own inaccurate conclusions, for what reasons I cannot even begin to imagine.

I would like to emphasise, Ms Brock, that I do not question the right of you or any other person to criticise *Penguin News*. It is entirely in our interests that we receive 'feedback' from the public whether it is positive or negative. However, may I suggest that it would be of far more benefit to your readers, should you do so from an informed platform.

In the light of your estimable belief in 'freedom of speech' I would ask that you do the *Penguin News*, and your readers, the courtesy of printing this letter.

Regards
Lisa Riddell
Managing Editor
Penguin News
cc. H E The Governor
Mr M Rendell, Chairman, Media Trust.

Your letters

Club Argentino president speaks out

A LETTER from Mr P Pepper published on 19 September contains misleading and mendacious references to me and the Club Argentino, a private institution of which I am the President. I am accordingly compelled to answer. Whatever the views of its members, the Club is not "a hotbed of Malvinas fervour". Membership is open to the point of having accepted Mr Pepper himself as a full member at his own request. In our meetings we discuss a variety of subjects, among them, and from time to time, the situation in the South Atlantic. We have occasionally enjoyed the company, either as speakers or listeners, of Islanders and those representing their political views. We are basically a club of Argentine citizens living in the UK, but with membership open to those of any nationality interested in Argentine affairs. Not a single political initiative in con-

nection with any subject, related or not to the South Atlantic Conflict, has ever been undertaken by the Club Argentino. We invite people to talk and exchange points of view, something I dare to presume none of your readers will interpret as political lobbying.

I have never been politically active inside or outside the Club Argentino and cannot be expected to deliver at the South Atlantic Council (SAC) "hardline thinking" in connection with any alternative regarding solutions to unsolved issues in connection with the Falkland/Malvinas dispute. I am nevertheless firmly in favour of an open and unrestricted dialogue such as the one promoted by the SAC. It is for this reason that I was happy to become an associate non-voting member of the Council.

A. Blanco-Bazan

SAC looks more political than academic says Pepper

I WELCOME Mr Forsyth's decision to at last consider revealing the membership of the South Atlantic Council (SAC). Earlier, he had turned down requests from both FIGO and me for this - and did so again when I told him I was writing to *Penguin News* about it. My letter had gone to press before he changed his mind.

There can be no comparison between the Anglo-Colombian society and the SAC. The former is a social group that minds its own business - and has every right to privacy. The latter is a tiny, but highly active, political lobby attempting a take-over bid for the Falklands policy of a newly elected British Government. The intended victims of this had every right to know who make up the SAC - as Mr Forsyth now concedes.

I also wanted this information to investigate the bias in the so-called Argentine-British Conference. There have been six of these so far, but only 7 British delegates ever declared SAC membership on a conference prospectus. Without a proper membership list it has been difficult. So far I have found 46 appearances by SAC members - and 25 more by other opponents of the Falklands' cause. By contrast, only 14 appearances have been allowed to supporters of the Islanders. There have also been 14 appearances by islanders themselves. It has been so one-sided that I jokingly called it the Argentine Biased Conference.

Mr Forsyth is in Argentina now discussing the ABC's future. If it is to continue, let it earn the name it chose for itself - by representing majority British opinion rather than SAC opinion rather less.

I turn now to Mrs Celia Szusterman who seems to think the recent meeting between the SAC and the FIA proved how open the SAC is. I think it proved just the opposite. Thanks to the SAC's refusal to reveal its membership we had no idea until then that it now includes Argentines. In the past, Argentine citizens were refused SAC membership. I was astonished to be confronted by two of them at this meeting.

Mrs Szusterman should not try to hide political activity behind the smokescreen of academia. For a start, a fundamental principle of the academic world is balance, and letting your opponents have their say. Yet two out of her three recent conferences had no pro-Falklands speaker at all, but did have Foreign Minister di Tella and a team of Argentines. Can anyone conceive of them not promoting Argentine ideas about the Falklands?

Only her conference at Longford Castle had Falklands' speakers. This was to find out their reaction to ideas expressed at an earlier conference. The Argentine Vice Foreign Minister attended, as did Mr Forsyth.

It all looks a lot more political than it does academic.

Peter Pepper

Write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley, Falkland Islands

Answers still required about 'secret meetings'

Councillors (at the time) to whom the following letter and questions held particular relevance were invited by Penguin News to respond in this issue.

IN writing this letter, I must state that I am fully aware and appreciate, the awkward predicament that five members of the previous council faced, regarding the secret meetings with Dr Di Tella. As we know this was contrary to the mandate to which they were elected. However, the following questions require answers.

1. I believe all the questions for the FIBS question and answer session were given to each candidate in advance, prior to them going on air. Did four of the five who attended the secret meetings confer with each other, and agree to admit to the electorate that they did at-

tend these meetings?

2. Did these same four members of the previous Government, seek the Governor's advice and approval to break the chain of confidentiality in their admission to the listening public?

3. Why did H.E. the Governor himself not make a statement in relation to these secret talks saying who acted correctly or otherwise. He made a statement on the controversial issue, with regards to a letter in *Penguin News*.

4. Is it true that this whole affair, regarding the secret talks to arrange the Chevening meetings, were conducted between Government House and Councillors only. Was the knowledge of the talks kept away from the Secretariat, and the Chief Executive not even made aware of them?

5. As three of these previous Councillors have been returned to power, will they uphold their

promise, to us the electorate, and give assurance that they will never be party to any such talks again. This should also apply to the other five members who the people entrusted their votes to?

In conclusion, I believe that given the circumstances, Eric Goss, when asked the question about the secret meeting, acted with the utmost integrity. It was most unfortunate that judgement was made against him, when the implications of the true facts could not be made known. It would appear that Eric's fellow colleagues left him in the dark that they were going to readily admit to the Dr Di Tella meetings. I am personally sorry that Eric was not returned at this general election. He is rock solid and immovable in his beliefs and will not bend when under pressure. We need more like him.

B.D. Hewitt
North Arm

Unfair to single out those who went to London..

IN response to Brian Hewitt's letter, I will try to clarify my own position.

My recollection of the events leading up to Chevening are as follows. Dr di Tella made an offer which we could not ignore. If we had the UK Government would not have done. It was felt by all eight that we should listen to what he had to say. It is slightly unfair to single out the councillors past and present who were in London or who were asked to go by the team. Would the three that did not go have refused? Every Councillor had reservations. Councillors realised that if di Tella was going to deliver he would need to do some difficult political contortions in his country.

The people in the Falklands were always going to be told at some stage. It was only a secret to give the process every chance of success so that either side could not accuse the other of political sabotage. At no time did I agree to secrecy for secrecy sake. What would have been the point? Surely everyone knows that in the Falklands this type of thing always comes out.

My mandate was, 'I think we should talk to Argentina on issues of mutual interest', and surely the Argentines dropping their claim is what we all want.

In answer to question 1. The Camp interviews were done over two days so I was aware of what Bill and Eric had said. I did however discuss with my fellow councillors last year the possibility of a leak and my response to such an

occurrence. There was certainly no deliberate campaign to discredit Eric, in fact I understand he was given the opportunity to return to the studio to clarify his position.

Question 2. No, I did not seek the Governor's advice or permission.

Question 4. Yes it was kept quiet in an effort to give it every

possibility of success.

I certainly did not dump on Eric, even when asked directly on FIBS who the other councillor was.

I hope this will explain my reasoning on this matter.

Richard Stevens,
Port Sussex Farm.

Approach to future talks has already been set out in manifesto

Thank you for the copy of Brian Hewitt's letter. I only propose to respond to it in so far as it refers to matters which affected my decision to reveal the meetings to which I had been.

1. Having read the FIBS questions, I had no need to confer with other candidates. Both the meeting, which I attended at Chevening, and the preparatory meeting (to see if it was worth going to Chevening) had already been discussed in public.

2. There was therefore no need to seek the approval of the Governor to release information which was already known.

3. My full approach to future talks with Argentina are set out in my manifesto, upon which the electorate has already given their verdict. I am not about to change or deny that stance just 5 days after the election!

Mike Summers

I stand by my recent mandate

I would make the following comments in reply to B D Hewitt's letter of 12th Oct.

IF Mr Hewitt would care to cast his mind back to January of this year I informed the public meeting, on my return from Chevening, of my part in these meetings. I believe the Governor made a statement at that time as did the British Government. Perhaps Mr Hewitt should know that when these meetings were first mooted, because of their sensitivity, Councillors agreed to keep the matter in house until it was considered the right time to inform the general public about them. As it turned out, Patrick, being the journalist he is, released the information only days before we ourselves had intended to do so. Until that time the only persons in the Falklands aware of the meetings were the Councillors and the Governor. As to future talks I stand by my recent mandate.

S. Halford

Never in 'awkward predicament'

THANK you for the opportunity to reply to the letter from Mr B Hewitt. I would very much like to try to clear up various aspects of this episode once and for all.

I have never felt I was in an awkward predicament. Since 1982 I have been firm in my determination that the only way for Argentina to improve its relationship with the Falklands was for them to abandon forever their claim over our islands. That determination remains unaltered.

When Dr di Tella indicated that Argentina was indeed prepared to consider giving up their claim and asked for confidential talks, then, after much discussion between councillors and the Foreign Office, it was agreed by the majority that we should explore the concept further. I believe this was entirely within the constraints of my mandate. I confirm that the only people who knew about this in the Islands were GH and councillors, the information was never passed to The Secretariat. As a personal observation, please note that this was the first time in my quite long association with council that there has never been the slightest leak! Does this say something?

There has never been any oath of secrecy. Councillors were adamant that they were only prepared to go so far and that after Chevening we would release details of the entire process - and this is what happened. Had the end result been some prospect of a final settlement, the population of these Islands have my most solemn assurance that it was our intention that any proposals would have been put to the entire electorate for a verdict.

Yes, the FIBS questions were passed to me and, no, I did not confer with any colleagues as to how they should be answered.

2. No, I did not seek the Governor's approval. I do not believe this was in any way required.

3. I cannot answer for what the Governor does or does not say or do.

4. Yes.

5. I have said clearly over the last few weeks that I believe we did the correct thing at the time and most people who know the entire story agree with this. I have also said that I will under no circumstances agree to a repeat performance. Any new approach from the Argentines would have to be on an open basis. The had their chance to proceed to a settlement and they blew it.

I don't think I have revealed any new information here - just, I hope, put the whole thing into perspective. Anyway, the electorate have given their verdict.

I would just add that I am sure Mr Eric Goss would confirm that I talked to him about all the above, with its implications, long before voting day.

Bill Luxton

GAP students arrive

ELEVEN young people from all over the United Kingdom arrived at Mount Pleasant Airport on Tuesday, October 14, to begin a six month spell working in the Islands as part of the Gap Activity Projects (GAP for short) movement.

GAP gives students who have just completed their 'A' levels, and are waiting to take up places at university, an opportunity to travel abroad to work on appropriate projects. It is a time when they can take a breather from over a decade of studying to appreciate a world facing challenges that may be utterly alien to anything they have faced before.



The GAP students and organiser, Fiona Didlick, enjoy a sunny moment outside the Upland Goose

Twenty four hours after stepping off the Tristar the intrepid eleven, many of whom have never been away from home for any length of time before, congregated in the Upland Goose to face questions from FIBS and the Penguin News, and to explain how they came to be here in the Falklands.

Russell Kinch and Robert Allen (from Watford and Cambridge respectively) are to spend their six months working at Walker Creek. They, along with their nine colleagues, had to apply to GAP noting the countries where they would like to be placed in order of preference.

With disarming honesty the students admitted that few of them had named the Falklands as their first choice but Benny Reid, a Middlesborough lad who will be studying Natural Sciences at Cambridge University on his return to the UK, said, "being here promises to be a brilliant experience."

Benny will be working with the Tourist Board while he is here, but may stay longer than the allotted six months.

Others in the party include Anthony Harris from Worcestershire who will be working with

John Smith at the Museum, Elizabeth Sabey, a biology student from Twickenham who will spend her six months as an auxiliary nurse at KEMH, Andrew Raine from Brentford. He is headed for Goose Green to work on the farm there, but will eventually study Philosophy at Southampton University.

Kai Thesen, despite his Norwegian name hails from Shropshire and he, too is to work in agriculture at North Arm. Jonathan Schofield comes from Cambridge but will be studying Politics at

Hull University. He joins Andrew Raine at Goose Green, while Iain Whitaker from Perth will go to North Arm with Kai. Iain is set to attend St Andrews to study Geography and would like to become a professional mountain guide when qualified though he admits it is an ambition that may not be totally practical.

Elizabeth Daryl, from Ascot, and Louise Gregory, from York will both be working on farms; Elizabeth at Blue Beach, Louise at Port Louis. Elizabeth is to study Engineering at Cambridge and, as she wants to be a civil engineer, paid particular attention to the MPA road on her way in from the airport.

Geography is to be Louise's subject which she will study at Lancaster University. She wants to be a research anthropologist.

Arrangements for the students' visit have been co-ordinated by Fiona Didlick, Projects Officer with FIDC, who has organised accommodation, travel etc. Fiona told Penguin News that GAP work many months in advance and she would like to hear from anyone in the Islands interested in taking a student next year. Likewise if there are any students who would like to be considered for a GAP placing themselves they should contact Fiona at the FIDC offices.

More readers letters

Internet comparisons were inappropriate

WITH reference to the letter from Mr David Hardy in last week's Penguin News, it seems a pity that Mr Hardy felt it necessary to follow his opening remarks, with some negative comments regarding pricing of access to the Internet. There often appears to be an unfortunate tendency to criticise, and draw inappropriate comparisons, even when an organisation or individual tries to do something positive. Before any of us start making judgements, let's get the service launched and see how it goes.

Any comparison with the UAE is in any case largely meaningless. The UAE is one of the richest, small countries in the world, and a mature oil-producing nation. Just some examples of the disparity between the Falklands and the UAE can be seen from the following statistics on the UAE: Population nearly 2 million, population density 25 per sq. km, GDP (1993) US\$35 billion, 615,000 telephone lines, 345,000 households. In addition to substantial oil revenues, it has a thriving banking and commercial sector and one of its airports is a major hub for the region. It also has its own University and it even exports fruit and vegetables, which for a country with large areas of desert, is quite an achievement. There are over 20,000 tourists visiting the UAE every year, and it has its own airline (entirely self-financing), which from the most recent figures available to me, has a fleet of 18 aircraft serving 31 countries.

As regards Internet pricing in the UAE, a critical aspect, if my information is correct, is the policy adopted there of not charging for local telephone calls. You will note I have avoided the term "free" local calls, as it is impossible to provide a product or service "free", whilst still operating a viable business. Of course, the calls are not in fact free, but subsidised. This is either through a direct subsidy from the Government of the UAE (for social reasons), or more likely, by the telephone company to meet political objectives set by the Govern-

ment. If indeed the subsidy comes from the telephone company, it will be a cross-subsidy from other service revenues.

In our Internet pricing we have tried to make it an affordable service to as many people as possible. Hence, the £20.00 connection charge (UAE £50.00); the monthly access charge of £10.00 (to avoid hefty monthly fees); and then charges (inclusive of the existing national call charge) based on actual usage, rather than paying whether you use it or not.

Although as stated before, comparisons can often be meaningless I will add my own for the sake of balance. I have chosen Belgium for my example (as currently it has about as much relevance to the Falklands as the UAE). The figures are taken from an independent source, are the most recent available to me, and use approximate exchange rates:

Connection: £28.00
Monthly fee: £11.25
Usage charge: £0.09 per minute (Source ITU)

Belgium has 10 million people, its national telephone company is in the top 30 in the world and it had 102,000 Internet customers in 1994.

Of course, the above examples, as well as the prices quoted by Mr Hardy in his letter, do not in themselves allow any conclusions to be drawn. Without a detailed knowledge of all the relevant factors there is no way of commenting sensibly on the pricing of any individual product or service in another country. Certainly the cost base and economies of scale in the UAE or Belgium are entirely different from the Falklands.

As a final point I quote an extract from a letter which appeared in the London Times newspaper of 20th August 1997 regarding Internet access in the UK "the average home user still has to pay the phone bill. Even with BT "friends and family" and local call access from providers it can still be up to 9p a minute daytime access".

I will be writing personally to Mr Hardy, but I thought the above points might help to create a more balanced picture for our customers here.

Steve Baker
General Manager
Cable & Wireless

..and thank you from John

I WOULD like to congratulate the Penguin News upon its fair and unbiased coverage of the Election. As a candidate I was very satisfied with the opportunity I was given to summarise my manifesto, and I'm obviously delighted that I was successfully re-elected.

John Birmingham

Thank you from Ben

I WOULD like to thank my proposer Don Bonner, Seconder Jim Simpson, my eight supporters and everyone who voted for me at the General election.

Also Penguin News staff for their time and editing of my election manifesto and the Editor of Teaberry Express for printing all manifestos in full. Also Patrick Watts of F.I.B.S. for a job well done, and fair and balanced coverage of the whole election process. To one and all a very big thank you.

Congratulations to the new council and I wish them all well. Please remember, charity begins at home.

Ben Claxton

More readers letters

'Irresponsible allegations'

IT IS not normally my policy to respond to items or articles concerning FIBS which appear in the written press, but I feel that I must reply to the comments which appeared in the 'Editor's Notebook' of the Teaberry Express 10-17th October.

Under the heading 'Questions during Public Forums should be generated by Falkland Islanders', Juanita Brock incorrectly and irresponsibly alleges that a question about 'secret talks' which four of five Councillors admitted having with Argentine Foreign Minister Guido di Tella, and which was first asked on the FIBS Question Time programme, had originated from South America media representatives (or their local agents). May I state quite categorically that this is totally untrue. The question referring to 'secret talks' was submitted by Mr Roddy Napier of West Point Island, who was more than happy to have his name broadcast in association with the question. However given that quite a number

of those who submitted questions asked for anonymity I decided not to reveal any names when chairing the programme.

I do not know quite what Ms Brock is trying to achieve by printing such unfounded and scurrilous allegations.

Ms Brock further alleges that South American media representatives (or their local agents) asked 'speculative questions' to the detriment of residents during the Candidates public meeting in the Junior School! Carlos Jones of the Uruguayan news agency Mercopress attended but asked no questions, while I too refrained from asking any questions on this occasion.

I understand that Teaberry Express now appears on the Internet. It must be quite worrying for the Falklands population when inaccurate reporting such as described above can be read by a worldwide audience.

Yours sincerely,
Patrick Watts

Donegal wedding for Jeremy and Sinead

Sinead and Jeremy in County Donegal



SINEAD Doherty and Jeremy Smith (son of John and Ileen Smith of Stanley) were married in the whitewashed church of Lag in County Donegal on October 4, 1997. The church is not many miles from Malin Head, the most northerly point of Ireland, and according to Jim Elliot, who attended the wedding, "it would be hard to find a setting so wild, romantic and beautiful - indeed the scenery shows many similarities with the hillier parts of the Falklands."

Orla, one of Sinead's sisters supported her as Bridesmaid, and Jeremy's brother Martyn acted as

Bestman. As well as many members of the Smith and Doherty families, the guest list included family from Israel and the USA as well as friends from the British Antarctic Survey and from the couple's university days.

The reception was held some distance away in the small town of Molville on the shores of Lough Foyle, also in County Donegal, followed by singing, music and dancing, much of it in the Irish tradition.

Afterwards, the couple set off for a honeymoon in Southern Africa before returning to Stanley.



Builder, Paul Chapman about to seal a time capsule in the foundations of the new Archive building on Jeremy Moore Avenue. Children from the Infant/Junior School contributed photographs, letters, crisp packets, badges etc., to enable citizens of the future to see how late twentieth century people lived.

FIG launches internet site

THE Falkland Islands Government have launched their own Internet site on the World Wide Web.

Although not yet in its final form the many pages of information about the Islands today, their way of life, industry, culture, political aspirations and unique environment are portrayed in a most attractive design.

The site can be accessed at the following internet address:
<http://www.falklands.gov.fk> or
<http://www.tourism.org.fk> or
<http://www.fidc.org.fk>

On this occasion Merco Press would like to welcome and congratulate FIG for this most intelligent effort which literally launches the Falklands into the ever expanding world of cybernetics and the challenge of the next millenium.

Merco Press also feels proud of having been selected to become one of the web sites linked to the FIG Hot News, making access to updated information on the South Atlantic, Mercosur and related items more immediate and effective.

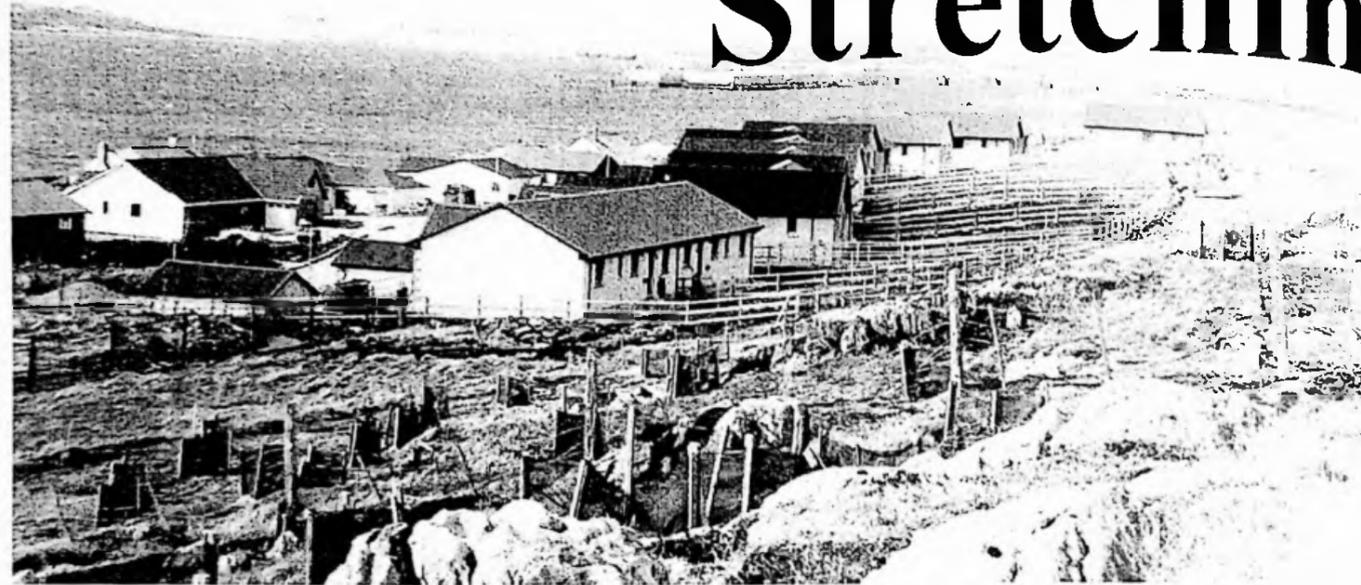
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Stretching Stanley's skyline



STANLEY is growing. In twenty years it has doubled in size, it's boundaries swelling west, then north and now east. Eighty one houses, in the private sector alone, have been built since 1990, (the most imaginative possibly being the new 'settlement' at Moody Brook built by Bernadette Paver and Barry Elsby) while Government has been just as busy, despite continuing criticism of their residential construction programme, with the prospect of increasing their portfolio even more as the various phases in the ambitious East Stanley Development complete.



But mushrooming housing is only half the story. Commercial development has just as effectively altered the Stanley skyline - much of it, though not all, paid for by private enterprise and speculative investment.

Stanley Services Limited, now under manager, Robert Rowlands, careful stewardship, are one of the leading commercial property developers in the Islands. Following the establishment of the sprawling depot on FIPASS Road, the company opened the purpose-built fuel station on Airport Road in March 1993. Later that same year three additional kerosene tanks were installed, another three in 1994, and finally, this year storage capacity for kerosene was increased by 600,000 litres.

Diesel capacity has also increased this year with the completion of a tank capable of holding up to 2.5 million litres, and there are plans to double the size of one of the main-

nance/storage warehouses on the site.

At the same time there has also been some very visible and high profile construction work going on up at the fuel station. The retail sales area has been increased by 140%, an office block is already finished, and a large warehouse is being erected on leased land just west of the station.

The office block, Robert told *Penguin News*, is purely speculative with all space inside available for lease. There are ten separate offices, some measuring five metres by three, others two and a half metres by three, all carpeted and centrally heated. Waist high trunking provides convenient points for power and computer cabling.

A substantial portion of the warehouse (28 metres by 15) still under construction is aimed at attracting revenue from an increasingly affluent society with growing storage problems.

A couple of hundred metres from the fuel station, where H Jones Road meets Snake Hill, is the scene of yet more construction. Here two local firms, Argos Limited, and Byron Marine Limited, are investing in purpose-built office blocks to accommodate their burgeoning business interests.

With an expected cost of around £500,000 the Argos building involves one of the biggest private sector investments in conventional land-based projects ever seen in the Islands. Measuring 33 metres by 15, with its panoramic views across the harbour, and its high quality specification, the two storey building promises to be one of the most prestigious business addresses in Stanley. Builders Ian Stewart Construction won the contract in an open tender situation and expect to complete early in 1998. Argos themselves will occupy one of the four separate open-plan office suites, the other three will be available for rent.

Next door the Byron offices are ready and the company will be moving into the double storey building within a few days. Split into four, each unit is composed of a reception area, a large office, small office, archive room, kitchen and bathroom, all carpeted and fully furnished. The

final touch is the well-equipped conference room which will be available for hire by the hour. The Byron group will be occupying two of the suites.

Other current commercial builds include the almost completed Seamen's Centre near FIPASS, the almost completed Cable and Wireless Earth Station behind the Community School, and the embryonic Archive building, whose cement-block skeleton has this week risen from a sea of mud and clay on a Jeremy Moore Avenue site just behind the Museum on the western edge of the town.

In a move that seems entirely appropriate, builder Paul Chapman has interred a time capsule in the foundations of the building for the benefit of future generations of Islanders as yet, probably, unborn.



Construction, it seems, is the profitable child of increasing entrepreneurial activity, and certainly the precursor of an oil industry yet to establish itself. Many of the new offices either ready for occupation now or in the near future, have undoubtedly been built with an eye to renting either directly to operators like Amerada Hess or Shell who may want a presence in the Islands, or to support service companies who have yet to emerge from the ongoing tender process.

There is a busyness about the whole construction industry in the

Falklands not seen before in modern times. Little wonder builders have order books containing two or more years of work. In such a whirlwind atmosphere it is, perhaps, somewhat comforting, then, that with the capital's face becoming, perforce, ever more commercially flexible, to see the new Deanery finally emerging, phoenix like, from the foundations of the old one.

Reflecting the rapid growth of Stanley, and the local and international interest created by this phenomenon, *Penguin News* will be returning to the property scene in later issues.

Left centre: Watch this space. The warehouse at the Stanley Services depot that may be extended

Bottom centre: Behind the Museum on Jeremy Moore Avenue the new Archive building takes shape

Below: The purpose-built office block Stanley Services have completed at the rear of the fuel station

Above: Work proceeds rapidly on the new Deanery. Now at the roofing stage the builders hope to have completed the four-bedroom bungalow by Christmas

Top: Moody Brook House. Pushing back the bounds of Stanley, this is the bungalow built by Bernadette Paver and Barry Elsby

Top left: The East Stanley Development reaches out toward FIPASS
Far left: New tanks at the Stanley Services depot flank the old
Far left centre: The Stanley Services warehouse being built on Airport Road
Bottom left: The foundations of the Argos offices and the completed Byron building share a view of the harbour from atop Snake Hill



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Information Pullout



October 18 - October 24

CHURCH SERVICES

CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY: 8am Holy Communion, 10am Family Communion (first Sunday every month - Family Service) 7pm Evening Prayer

TABERNACLE - free church

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm.
ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm Minister: Mike Mitchelmore 21787

St. MARY'S

SUNDAY: 10am (MPA 6.30pm).
Week days: 9am; Sat. also 5pm

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

SUN: 8am Holy Communion; 10.30am Eucharist/Morning worship; 6.30pm Holy Mass;
MON: 6.30am Mass
WED: 7.30pm Holy communion; 8pm Bible Study Tel: 74350

BAHA'IFAITH

For information on meetings please ring Tel: 21957 (evenings)

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:	19	0157	0.4	WED	22	0415	0.8
Fox Bay +2hr 30m	SUN	0814	1.8			1046	1.5
Roy Cove +4 hrs 30m		1429	0.1			1732	0.5
Port Howard +3hrs 19m		2113	1.6			0024	1.3
Teal Inlet +3hrs 30m	Sunrise	0539			Sunrise	0533	
Sea Lion Is. +1hr 15m	Sunset	1935			Sunset	1941	
Port Stephens +3hrs 15m	20	0239	0.5	THURS	23		
Hill Cove +4hrs	MON	0857	1.7			0518	0.9
Berkeley Sound +1hr 11m		1523	0.3			1158	1.4
Port San Carlos +2hr 55m		2212	1.5			1852	0.6
Darwin Harbour -56m	Sunrise	0537			Sunrise	0531	
	Sunset	1937			Sunset	1942	
October	21	0326	0.5	24	0132	1.3	
18	TUE	0948	1.6	FRI	0645	0.9	
19		1622	0.4		1315	1.4	
SAT		2317	1.4		1108	0.6	
20		0535			Sunrise	05	
		1939			Sunset	1944	
	Sunrise	0542					
	Sunset	1934					

LIBRARY

Monday - Friday
08.45am - 12 noon and
1.30pm-5.45pm
Saturday: 10am - 12 noon
2pm-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 Liz Burnett, Tel: 21770 or Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

SQUASH CLUB Thursdays 5-9pm Contact Dik Sawie Tel 21414

NETBALL CLUB Tuesdays 6-8pm, Wednesday 6-7pm All are welcome Contact Sarah Allan 22119

THE FI GUN CLUB New members welcome Contact Ped Tel: 21663 or Graham Didlick 21622 P.O. Box 540

F.I. RIFLE ASSOCIATION Contact Secretary G Cheek, 21402

STANLEY GOLF CLUB Competitions on Sunday at 8.45 am. Contact Mike Summers on tel: 21542

FI MOTORCYCLE ASSOC. All queries & Information on races etc contact Andrew Newman 21606 or Rowena Summers 21015

YMCA Accommodation available Contact Terry Peck 21074

ASTHMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets second Tuesday of every third month in Day Centre at 5pm Contact Graham France on 21624
FALKLAND ISLANDS RED CROSS ASSOCIATION New members welcome. Contact Secretary Irene Baker 20839 or Chairman Nick Hadden, 21014
GUILD OF SPINNERS, WEAVERS & HANDICRAFTS Meetings on Wednesday evening at 7.30pm Contact Marj McPhee, tel: 21106
CANCER SUPPORT & AWARE-

NESS TRUST Contact Shiralee Collins, 21597, Sister Bridie 22086, Derek Howatt 21385
FIODA Actors/singers/stagehands contact Alan 21019

DIABETIC ASSOCIATION Meets first Thursday of every month. 7.30pm in the Day Centre

STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB Contact D. Humphreys Tel. 22028 Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm, Fridays 4-5

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB Contact David McLeod Phone: 20836 (day), 20843 (home)
RUNNING CLUB Meets Wednesday 5.30pm, contact Tracy Porter 21574

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION Meets 1st Monday every month @ 2000 hrs, WO1&Sgt Mess, Hillside Camp. All ex or serving Service persons welcome. Contact A Geach, R Fiddes or KD Greenland for info 21454 or 27222.

F.I. WESTERN LINE DANCE CLUB: Meets DrillHall (All welcome) - Mon. 7pm. Contact Tricia Hanlon 21406

STANLEY SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB Friday 7-9pm Sundays 4-5pm. Contact Angela Lee on 21762 or M. Humphreys on 22028

JELLY TOTS CLUB meets Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays at the Day Centre from 2.30 - 4pm. All welcome

WELL BABY/CHILD CLINIC Day Centre KEMH Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am. Contact Miranda Cheek Health Visitor 27418

Leisure Centre Term Times - Further information/Bookings: tel 27291

Day	Pool	Courts
Monday	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming 12.00 - 1.00 Public 5.00 - 9.00
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
Tuesday	9.30 - 10.30	Public 9.30-10.30
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming 12.00 - 1.00 Public 5.00 - 9.00
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
Wednesday	7.00 - 8.00	Public
	10.30 - 12.00	Hospital/OAPs 12.00 - 1.00 Public 5.00 - 9.00
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming 5.00 - 9.00 Public
Thursday	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	500-7.00	Public 10.30-12.00
Friday	7.00 - 9.00	Private Hire 12.00-1.00 Public 5.00-9.00
	10.00 - 11.30	Parents/Toddlers 12.00 - 1.00 Public 5.00 - 9.00
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming 5.00 - 9.00 Public
Saturday	5.00 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	8.00 - 9.00	Private Hire
Sunday	10.00 - 4.00	Public 10.00 - 6.00
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults
	10.00 - 4.00	Public 10.00 - 6.00
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults

Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 18TH OCTOBER

9.15 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE
 9.35 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 10.05 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES
 10.30 LIVE AND KICKING
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Racing from Longchamps and Chepstow; rounds 21 & 22 of the British Superbike Championship from Donnington; coverage of canoeing's slalom world championships from Brazil; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.30 TOP OF THE POPS
 7.00 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN The Toyman, a devious inventor, is out to kidnap the orphaned children of Metropolis
 7.45 CONFESSIONS
 8.25 CASUALTY Stressed out at home and at work, Dr Richard McCaig finds symptoms of his multiple sclerosis returning
 9.15 FILM: BODYSNATCHERS (1993.18) Science fiction horror. Teenager Marty Malone accompanies her scientist father and her new stepmother and stepbrother to a marine base where her father will carry out toxic waste tests.
 10.40 KILLER BEES
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY Highlights from two top FA Carling Premiership matches plus a round-up of all the goals, news and talking points

SUNDAY 19TH OCTOBER

10.50 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.05 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.30 BLUE PETER
 11.55 BIG BREAK STARS OF THE FUTURE
 12.25 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.00 HOT GADGETS
 1.30 THE CHART SHOW
 2.20 BROOKSIDE Max finally stands up to Susannah and Sinbad realises that the situation with Tinhead is not going to get better
 3.30 AS TIME GOES BY
 4.00 HOLIDAY MEMORIES (New)
 4.30 GLORIA'S TIME OFF WITH Nigel Hawthorne
 4.45 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
 5.15 FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP Liverpool versus Chelsea
 7.05 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.35 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT A series of violent muggings frustrates the police. Then, when the attackers strike closer to home, Nick is faced with an ethical dilemma
 9.20 BORN TO RUN With Burke recovering in hospital, Lili finds out what she's been missing - and it isn't Burke
 10.15 FRIENDS: US comedy series
 10.40 NETWORK FIRST Victoria and Albert (Part 1): Documentary
 11.30 TOTP 2

MONDAY 20TH OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 BOOK BOX 10.15 NUMBERTIME 10.30
 GOOD HEALTH 10.45 TOTS TV
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Lou's bus dream turns into a nightmare, and Debbie and Darren work together
 2.30 GARDEN PARTY
 2.55 TRACKS
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
 4.00 MORPH TV WITH TONY HART
 4.15 CARTOON CRITTERS
 4.40 YOU'LL NEVER BELIEVE IT!
 5.10 PIRATES
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Where is Sally getting all her money from?
 5.55 TOP GEAR
 6.25 MASTERMIND
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Don breaks out of Weatherfield General
 7.45 THE BILL The Wrath of God: Skase and Carver encounter a preacher with a line in dodgy miracles
 8.10 CLIVE JAMES ON TV
 8.35 PILGRIMS REST Suave businessman Mo Grant causes a stir when he makes a chance stop at Pilgrims
 9.05 McCALLUM McCallum becomes helpless as his symptoms escalate, but when will his tormentor play the final and most chilling act?
 10.00 CLIVE ANDERSON ALL TALK (New) Paul McCartney is this week's guest
 10.35 FILM '97
 11.05 SOMETHING STRANGE (New)
 11.30 FOOTBALL LEAGUE REVIEW

TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS: 10.00 FOURWAYS FARM 10.10 STORYTIME
 10.25 ZIGZAG 10.45 SNUG & COZI
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Ruth and Philip both play hard to get
 2.30 KEN HOM'S HOT WOK (New)
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: JAY'S WORLD
 4.00 TO ME TO YOU
 4.25 NAME THAT TON
 4.50 BLUE PETER
 5.15 AGENT Z AND THE PENGUIN FROM MARS (Repeat)

5.40 HOME AND AWAY Will Shannon and Selina part on bad terms?

6.00 BEADLE'S HOT SHOTS
 6.30 EMMERDALE Dee begins modernising the Tea Rooms
 6.55 SCENE HERE Presented by Richard Astbury
 7.25 EASTENDERS Carol has the distinct impression that she is being watched
 7.55 999
 8.45 SELECTION BOXES
 9.20 PRESTON FRONT Ally goes wild after she discovers another woman's earring down her shower plughole
 10.00 BREAKING THE NEWS
 10.55 CLASSIC ALBUMS Profile of Fleetwood Mac: Rumours
 11.50 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 22ND OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 STAGE ONE 10.15 TELETUBBIES 10.40
 SCHOOLS AT WORK 10.45 TOTS TV
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Melissa pleads with Billy to go out with her
 2.30 THE AIR SHOW Harrier jump jet and Sea King helicopter
 3.00 THE CLOTHES SHOW
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: KIPPER
 4.00 RUGRATS
 4.25 ANIMAL ARK
 4.50 IT'LL NEVER WORK
 5.15 THE SCOOP
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Shannon bids farewell to Summer Bay. Steven's presence is taking its toll on Selina
 6.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
 6.30 EMMERDALE Andy has tea at the Sugden house
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Maud has shocking news for Fred
 7.45 THE BILL Knight Errant: Loxton is drawn into a personal dilemma when a young female suspect reveals that she is attracted to him
 8.10 DRIVING SCHOOLS
 8.40 FRIENDS US sitcom
 9.05 PEAK PRACTICE As David's family joins him in Cardale, he has to give the parents of a boy he delivered 11 years ago some shattering news
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 FILM: THE PAPER (1994.15) The Sun newspaper means everything to its city editor Henry Hackett. Not even the impending birth of his first child or a job at the upmarket Sentinel can deflect him from the search for a good story
 12.15 SUNNYSIDE FARM When Ken discovers a discarded fortune, it seems as though Ray might finally be able to fulfil his life-long dream of buying a helicopter

THURSDAY 23RD OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 MEGAMATHS 10.20 LANDMARKS 10.40
 SCHOOLS AT WORK 10.45 THE RIDDLERS
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Darren goes cap in hand to the bank
 2.30 VISIONS OF SNOWDONIA
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 4.00 SOOTY AND CO
 4.20 REBOOT
 4.45 BLUE PETER
 5.15 THE O-ZONE
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Selina is in turmoil. Stuart gets the feeling that he isn't welcome
 6.00 CALL MY BLUFF
 6.30 EMMERDALE Kim's new business partner has a proposition for Kathy
 6.55 AUNTIE'S SPORTING BLOOMERS
 7.25 EASTENDERS Tension grows in the Jackson household as recent events make them re-think their plans
 7.55 TIGER BAY Maria is in a dilemma about Bernie, and there is a big turn-out for Roy's opening of The Lightship
 8.25 GET FIT WITH BRITTAS
 8.35 3D
 9.00 SMITH & JONES
 9.30 ROOM 101 Tonight, Chris Tarrant
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 THIS LIFE The wedding day dawns. Will Miles go through with it and will Anna be able to cope if he does? Last in the current series
 11.15 HORIZON Mind Over Body: Tonight's programme asks whether the mind can heal the body
 12.05 THE CHAIR Psychologist Oliver James talks to Patsy Palmer

FRIDAY 24th OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 EUREKA! 10.15 STOP, LOOK, LISTEN 10.30 STAGE
 TWO SCIENCE 10.45 POTAMUS PARK
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS The girls at No 30 get a new lodger, while Hannah's fiction is too close to fact
 2.30 AN INSPECTOR CALLS
 2.55 COMEDY CLASSIC: DAD'S ARMY
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: DINOBABIES
 4.15 BANANAMAN
 4.20 TRANSYLVANIA PET SHOP
 4.45 MR WYMI
 5.00 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
 5.10 KNIGHT SCHOOL
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Will Steven and Selina find love?

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

6.00 SPACE CADETS
 6.25 THE WHITBREAD: THE WORLD'S GREATEST OCEAN RACE
 6.55 SCENE HERE Presented by Richard Astbury
 7.25 EASTENDERS Barry is about to embark on the biggest deal of his career so far
 7.55 PIE IN THE SKY
 8.45 SEE YOU FRIDAY Greg and Lucy begin to realise that living 300 miles apart is driving them mad
 9.10 THE BROKER'S MAN With the container theft now a murder inquiry, Jimmy follows his only lead to Amsterdam
 10.00 RAB C NESBITT
 10.30 BODYGUARDS Assigned to protect an author under fatwa, Shaw and Worrell fight for survival after being ambushed by would-be assassins in the Scottish Highlands
 11.20 TFI FRIDAY

SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER

9.15 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE
 9.35 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 10.05 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES
 10.30 LIVE AND KICKING
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Racing from Ascot; Golf - World Matchplay from Wentworth, penultimate day, Football Focus; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 4.10 SONGS AND VISIONS
 6.40 TOP OF THE POPS
 7.10 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN
 7.50 CASUALTY

8.45 WORLD CUP QUALIFIER Italy v England
 11.25 FILM: BACKDRAFT (1991.15)

SUNDAY 26TH OCTOBER

10.50 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.05 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.35 BLUE PETER
 11.55 WISE UP (New)
 12.25 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.00 TWO FAT LADIES (New)
 1.30 THE CHART SHOW
 2.05 SCRIMPERS
 2.20 BROOKSIDE
 3.30 AS TIME GOES BY
 4.00 HOLIDAY MEMORIES
 4.30 THE WORLD'S TOUGHEST YACHT RACE
 5.10 AUNTIE'S TV FAVOURITES
 5.40 THE DAY THAT CHANGED MY LIFE (New)
 6.10 SURVIVAL SPECIAL
 7.05 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.35 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT
 9.20 BORN TO RUN
 10.15 FRIENDS
 10.40 NETWORK FIRST Victoria and Albert (part 1)

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YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY October 18th

6.00 News BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.30 News and Sport from five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 The Governor's Consort
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 The Italian Renaissance
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY October 19th

5.00 News: BFBS
 5.03 Music fill
 5.15 Dessert Island Discs
 6.00 Music Fill
 6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service-Cathedral
 8.00 Sports Roundup
 8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didlick
 8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.00 News Desk
 9.30 Juste Plaine Madness
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

MONDAY October 20th

10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS

TUESDAY October 21st

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunctime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Review of CD's of the week
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 St. News
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert - Suzanne Vega
 7.30 News and Sports
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Eric Clapton Story Part 1
 8.30 Paths of Inspiration
 9.00 News desk from the BBC

.....AND OVER TO B.F.B.S.

SATURDAY

0000 News & Me Mark Page 0200 News & Eurozone 0400 News & Benny Brown 0600 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0830 News Magazine 0903 Sports n all 1100 Sport on 5 1400 News & Me Mark Page 1600 News & Benny Brown 1800 News 7 Eurozone with A Donovan 2000 News & Rockola 2200 Steve Mason

SUNDAY

0000 News & Weekend World - Jamie Gordon 0200 TNews 7 UK Music Week - Gary King 0400 News & Bob Harris 0700 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0800 Steve McQueen 1003 UK Music Week 1200 Lunctime Show 1400 News & Weekend Word - Jamie Gordon 1600 Bob Harris 1900 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 2100 News & Essential selection 2200 News & London Tonight

MONDAY

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TUESDAY

0000 London Tonight 0200 As Monday 0300 News & Gold Dave Windsor 0400 As Monday 1900 Evening show from MPA 2100 News & Rockola 2203 News & London Tonight

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Report on the public question and answer session on 'oil' in the Court and Council Chambers, as broadcast on FIBS - October 14, 1997

Stanley talks oil

DUE to the presence of a number of oil operator representatives in the Islands in the past two weeks, the opportunity was taken on the evening of October 14 to hold a public question and answer session in the Court and Council Chambers.

Co-ordinated by the Chief Executive, Andrew Gurr and broadcast to the Islands by FIBS, the panel consisted of Falklands Director of Oil, Mrs Phyl Rendell, Dr. Phil Richards, a BGS geologist who boasts five years involvement in the Islands with regard to oil, Vice President of International Operations (Amerada Hess) Mr Andy Morrison, and Lasmo General Manager for the South Atlantic, Mr Tim Bushell.

"Where we are up to.."

Following an introduction by Mr Gurr, Mr Richards and Mrs Rendell gave brief expositions of "where we are up to now," on oil in the Falklands.

Mr Richards made a number of statements, including an explanation of BGS work for the FIG. BGS, he said, had been interpreting a large amount of seismic data, with the aim of helping FIG monitor and control exploration and production. FIG, he said, are aware of the facts and will thus, "not just leave it to the oil companies to do things at their pace."

He said he was optimistic about the probability of oil being offshore, and the chances of finding oil, he felt, having looked at new data, would be about 12% (revised upwards from his former estimation some time ago, of an 8% chance). Although this seems a relatively small chance, he said, oil companies were obviously of the belief that a 12% chance of finding oil was a "good bet."

In terms of oil reserves, operators, he suggested, may find several hundred million barrels of oil, but cautioned Islanders to bear in mind that although this sounded a great deal, in real terms, such reserves are small (as estimated at the

moment) and would, "satisfy the world's demand for oil for all of one week."

He went on to say, "having said that, if there is any success at all it's a fact that the reserves estimated always increase."

If there is no oil, he assured, "we still have gained a great deal in scientific knowledge with regard to the way the Islands have evolved, and not only that but at least we will know that oil is not there."

Mrs Rendell updated the audience on "surveys so far," including that commissioned by the FIG of *Geos*, "who will look at the conditions in which the rig will drill." (A survey started in June 1997 which is ongoing for one year.)

Physical signs of oil exploration in the next few months, explained Mrs Rendell, would include site surveys in early December (*Brit Survey*) which would involve seabed samples - "checking it is a safe area," and searches for indications, "which might make them (the operators) move their sites slightly."

Referring to the oil representatives visiting the Islands, she informed the audience that, "they have considered where the logistics contracts might be awarded and operate from." The visitors have looked at facilities and will go away and make final decisions on the logistics contracts (shore based to keep the rig supplied and working).

Mrs Rendell reminded residents that the drill rig *Borgny Dolphin* would, "probably begin drilling April/May 1997."

She went on to refer to the *National Oil Spill Contingency Plan* commissioned by FIG, the draft of which is due to arrive in the Islands shortly, as is the draft of the *Exploration Drilling Environmental Impact Assessment*, commissioned by operators.

The Attorney General, she said, had been working on health and safety legislation (offshore) which was to be effective from January 1, 1997. FIG, Mrs Rendell added, had an agreement with the Health

and Safety Executive (HSE) who had operated with FIG, and advised throughout the process. HSE inspectors, she explained, would in the future visit the rig to check 'well design' etc.

Questions

A number of questions were asked by the audience, while other residents telephoned or posted their enquires. Mike Bingham brought up the subject of pollution. ("The effects of deliberately discharged ballast water from oil tankers on the most sensitive of birds - the penguin") and later asked if operators had considered, "shrouded flares," due to the number of night flying seabirds around the Falklands, who may be drawn to "open flares," and incinerated as a result.

In answer to the first, Mr Andy Morrison explained that operators had tight control over tankers, and although accidents did happen, "we should be able to control such incidents." He added that tankers normally discharged at the other end of a voyage into controlled shore-side facilities, however, "we would employ tankers of high calibre, which would not carry out operations like that."

In answer to the second question it was suggested that operators could gather more details of, "shrouded flares."

Mr Brook Harcastle, who asked to whom would (Falklands) oil be sold, and how would Islands oil impact on the market place (i.e. countries with larger reserves), was informed that oil would be sold, "right across the market place and to the highest bidder... it is unlikely due to the potentially small reserves to impact on the market place to any great extent."

Answering a question from Mr Willie Bowles, "how do oil experts assess how much oil is in the well after they have drilled," Mr Tim Bushell explained that there were, "two real sources of information needed to discern oil reserves in a given track or structure." One of

those is to "shoot seismic," i.e. achieve a three dimensional physical map by drilling a well into a reservoir, providing information about the thickness of the reservoir. This data is combined with testing the speed of oil flow to the surface (showing how economic the oil is - "flow rate").

In reply to a political question from Mr Fred Clark, "Out of oil representatives present how many would withdraw if they had to use the Falkland Islands to the exclusion of Argentina," operators said they would have agreed to such a rule if necessary but (happily) had not been asked to make such a decision.

Mr Dave Hall enquired if bids for servicing facilities were being assessed with any weighting on, "amount of local content." Operators on the panel indicated that there was nothing specific in the tender process with regard to this, however, they were encouraged by the amount of local involvement in the bidding. "Companies involved," said one, "seemed very capable," but they were looking at the overall bid package i.e. those that were, "commercially and logistically attractive."

Mr Ron Binnie of Fitzroy who sent the question, "Will there be any opportunities for residents to be employed on oil rigs," was informed, "not in the early stages," as rig workers had to be certified in immersion training before they were allowed to travel to rigs. However, it was not, "impossible."

Mrs Lidda Luxton was informed in answer to her questions "what numbers of people would there be on the Borgny Dolphin? Would there be any impact on the medical services and did the rig have para-medics?" that, there would be approximately 80-85 (and sometimes up to 100) persons on the rig, and that specially trained para-medics would be on the rig. Para-medics, the audience was told would be able to communicate with the KEMH when advice was needed.

(The above are only questions are only a selection of those asked.)

Public Meeting at Fox Bay Village

IN excess of twenty-five people attended a mid-week public meeting at Fox Bay Social Club on Wednesday evening (Oct 15) to hear about progress with offshore oil exploration.

People travelled to Fox Bay from Hill Cove, Port Howard, Chartres and Fox Bay West to join the residents of the village in a lively discussion about the offshore oil industry and drilling programme next year.

Dr. Phil Richards of British Geological survey expanded on the geology of the North Falkland

Basin and the technical challenges ahead for the industry who will drill wells deep into the earth's crust. Phyl Rendell updated the gathering on FIG activities and possible local impact during exploration drilling.

A special thanks is extended to Nigel Knight and his family for co-ordinating the meeting at Fox Bay and for their hospitality during the visit. Thanks also to all the village residents for opening the club and to those who travelled from other farms to attend the meeting.

Report from the Oil Department

Cuckoo In The Nest

Foreign Relations Event Used by The SAC - By Peter Pepper

AT AN EVENT in Canning House last week, The South Atlantic Council (SAC) took advantage of the reception that marked publication of the Foreign Relations Committee (FRC) report to disseminate its recent paper calling for renewed talks over the Falklands. The event had been organised jointly by the Director of Canning House, and by Professor Bulmer-Thomas of the Institute of Latin American Studies (ILAS), and a SAC member.

The evening began with Minister of State for Latin America, Mr Tony Lloyd MP, who outlined his policies in general, without mentioning the Falklands. He then left and others spoke on trade, investment, aid, education and the battle against the illegal drug trade - all of which were compatible both with the report of the FRC, which was compiled under the last government, and Tony Lloyd's ideas for the future.

Martin O'Neil MP, who is chairman of the South Atlantic Council, spoke last outlining the ideas in the SAC memorandum intended to resolve the Falklands "dispute". These ideas had not been mentioned in the FRC report,

whose Conservative and Labour members had all come down firmly against any negotiations with Argentina. Two members of the SAC had given evidence before the Committee, one of them Professor Bulmer-Thomas, but had not had their opinions accepted. Yet another SAC member, Celia Szusterman, an Argentine citizen who works at ILAS, had been hired to advise the FRC. She told Argentine newspaper *El Cronista* last January how disappointed she was that the FRC made no recommendations over the Falklands, and was quoted as saying: "They rejected everything I proposed. It is true there is a huge contradiction between what their advisers said and the conclusions of the report".

To an uninformed observer, Martin O'Neil's speech might have given the impression that the SAC's ideas were supported either by the FRC or the Minister, which was not the case. The title of the discussion: "Defining the New Agenda", might also have given the impression that negotiations over the Falklands were on the agenda, when the Government has clearly stated that they are not. Interviewed afterwards Professor Bulmer-Tho-

mas confirmed that it was an attempt to get a subject onto the foreign affairs agenda that he thought should be there. He confirmed that he was disappointed that his opinion was rejected by the FRC. In short, it was something of a cuckoo in the nest.

Predictably, requests for a speaker from the Falklands to reply to Mr O'Neil had been turned down earlier. But, Ted Clapp, was able to turn a question into a short speech and point out that SAC ideas had all been discussed before and rejected. He pointed out that Mr O'Neil's ideas were contrary to his Government's policy and election promises, and had not included any reference to the Islanders' wishes.

Islands Plan explained

THERE have been many concerns expressed by local observers over the membership and perceived function of the committee recently formed to write and develop the much vaunted 'Islands Plan'. So much so that Chief Executive, Andrew Gurr, has felt it appropriate to talk again about the thinking behind the Plan and its formulation, and has accordingly issued a briefing document.

In it he explains the essential nature of planning for any organisation that has to deploy resources and quotes a number of examples including FIPASS, which he says, "...has a limited life and we need to start planning now for its successor - where will it be? - what are the requirements of the fishery, oil, wool, importing? - what about depth, craneage, management etc?"

Another example is what he calls "...the welcome surge in births at KEMH this year - in a few years this may require enlarged resources which require planning now. He stresses, too, the importance of ensuring decisions taken in one area are compatible with those in all others.

The Islands' Plan was originally initiated in response to a question put down by Councillor Mike Summers in LegCo in November 1996, which asked for an overall coordinated strategic economic plan for the Falkland Islands. A working document on the subject was put before ExCo in March 1997, underlining the need for a Plan and for the Islands to become pro-active rather than re-active.

Mr Gurr, in his briefing document, goes on to list the specific aspirations of the Plan.

1. Capable of being understood by all in the Islands.
2. Distilled in length so that each major department or subject covers no more than one A4 side.
3. It should contain both words

Questioned on this point, Mr. O'Neil stated that "Islanders' views would be given due weight". The next day, Mr. O'Neil made it clear that although he felt Islanders had the right to reject any final conclusion, he felt they should be persuaded into a dialogue with Argentina and to end their resistance to all contact with that country.

It is yet another indication of the SAC's current campaign to overturn the Government's declared Falklands policy. A campaign that would throw away the progress made since 1982, put a spanner in the works of oil development, and return to all the uncertainties and problems of the pre-1982 period.

and numbers but the numbers will be increasingly general the further they project into the Plan.

4. It will be integrated and therefore much more than a mere collection of discrete policies.

5. It will become an ongoing process that is embedded in our administrative culture.

6. It will deal with ten years ahead in a general sense, five years ahead in a more specific sense, and one year ahead in a very specific sense.

In explaining how the Plan will evolve and who should be involved, Mr Gurr went a long way towards answering criticisms that the Committee is top heavy with ex-patriate civil servants. The Plan, his paper states, would be iterative in the sense that it would be the result of input from councillors, the population in general and senior officials. First would come a series of Background Statements, an underlying set of proposals from politicians, which would be discussed with all through a series of consultations.

Those involved should include: Executive Council, A Corporate Planning Committee, Department heads, The Secretariat, consultants (only used as required), the Chamber of Commerce and the general public.

The paper goes on to describe other essential ingredients of the Plan, stressing the need for flexibility, because changing events might necessitate adaptation, modularity to ensure compatibility between departments, and the speed at which the Plan should be developed.

Emphasising the open-ness of the whole process Mr Gurr states that not only will the Minutes of each meeting be published but there will be regular public meetings, phone-ins and other methods of consultation.

Council Portfolios - October 1997

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Seven new soldiers for FIDF



SEVEN recruits of the Falkland Islands Defence Force completed their initial training programme with a demanding three day exercise which ended late on Saturday October 11. HE the Governor presented the seven recruits with their berets at a short ceremony attended by senior military officers and friends and families of the recruits.

During the final exercise the recruits were tested on a wide range of military skills, including live firing, field-craft, initiative tests, arms drill, communications, navigation, fitness, first aid and tactics.

Adam Cockwell was presented with the award for best recruit of 1997.

Report - FIDF.

Recruits:

- Adam Cockwell
- Trevor Barnes
- Miranda Cheek
- Jeremy Henry
- John Henry
- Nick Francis
- David Fyfe

A day with the military

Report by HQ BFFI Press Information Officer, Capt G Hardy



Top right: Best recruit, Adam Cockwell.
 Top left: L-R: John Henry, Miranda Cheek, Trevor Barnes, David Fyfe, Adam Cockwell, Jeremy Henry (kneeling).
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TRUDI McPhee and her 12 year old son Mark, recently spent a day at Mount Pleasant Complex meeting members of the military and experiencing the more exciting aspects of life within the three Services. The visit was the result of a successful bid at an auction held in aid of the Falklands Association.

The day began when the VIP visitors were collected from their home at Brookfield Farm by helicopter. They were taken for a whole morning's 'bird's-eye view' flight over the islands on a trip which included stops at Shag Cove, Mount Alice, Fox Bay and New Island. As well as providing a breathtaking view of the landscape, the flight permitted snatched glimpses of penguins, sea lions and guanacos.

With their feet firmly on the

ground again, the guests were taken to Mare Harbour in order to be taken for a ride on a Landing Craft courtesy of the Port Troop. However, it was not long before Mark was taken to the helm and put firmly in control of the vessel. Clearly here was a future sailor in the making!

Returning to Terra Firma once more, the McPhees were taken to meet a representative of the Royal Engineers together with a Light Wheel Tractor. Once again Mark's driving ability was tested behind the wheel as he learned to move pallets around and to dig up holes.

The day was over far too quickly, but it ended quite literally on a 'high' when the guests were flown back home again.

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A small gathering enjoyed another evening of Auction Bridge on the 15th October. Prize Winner were: 1st Mrs V. Malcolm and T. Pettersson 2nd Mrs P. Hill and B. Peck. Booby Mrs J. Bound and Mrs C. Blackley. The next bridge evening is scheduled for Wednesday 29th October. Whist is played on alternate Wednesdays, in the Day Centre. Kick-off 7.30pm

Whist results for the 8th Oct Ladies: 1st Mrs R. Duncan 2nd Mrs S. Middleton. Booby Mrs E. Chapman Gents: 1st D. Pettersson 2nd B. Peck. Booby T. Pettersson

The Jelly Tots Club will be holding a sale of childrens' used clothing in the Day Centre on Friday 17th October from 2 - 3.30pm. All donations gratefully received by committee members or bring on the day

Stanley Darts Club
The results of this years' Doubles Knockout were 1st Kevin Clapp and Teresa Clifton. 2nd Tim Bonner and Andrew Alazia 3rd John McLeod and Keith Alazia. 4th Tony Courtney and Heather McKay.

Thank you to all who took part, to Julie for the use of the Globe and to Natalie and Maggie for all your help

If anybody is interested in joining a support group for people with elipepsy, their families and carers, please telephone Pam Freer on 22019. The aim of the group is to share information on new developments and work together with the British Epilepsy Association to make a difference.

Dr Alan Low, Tree/Forestry consultant to the Department of Agriculture will be visiting the following places on West Falkland to offer advice on tree growing. Anyone interested in meeting him please get in touch with the named contact.
Monday 20th October Shallow Harbour - contact Alistair Marsh
Tuesday 21st Fox Bay area - contact Nigel Knight
Wednesday 22nd Port Stephens - contact Ann Robertson or contact Robert Coombe or Aidan Kerr at the Department of Agriculture

I would like to express my thanks to everybody who voted for me in the Election for the Camp Constituency and also for the many messages of support during and after the election. I feel very honoured and will do my utmost to live up to expectations. Please remember that I will always be happy to listen to anybody who wishes to approach me.
Richard Cockwell

WANTED

Wanted for Port Howard Farm Ltd.
Someone to do exterior painting on Farm Houses & Buildings. For more information contact the manager on 42198

PERSONAL



Happy Birthday for the 19th October. Have you still got those little dimples. See you at Christmas. Lots love from Rose Tony, Jax's John, Nikki and Dominic xxx



To Dad - Happy Birthday for today. Hope it's a great one Love from your Daughters

Dave and Alison are pleased to announce the safe arrival of their son Daelyn Robert on 13th October weighing 7lb 14 1/2oz. Special thanks to Jackie and Mandy also to Dr. Davies, Dr. Seakins and Mr Vinal and all the staff at the KEMH. Thanks to everyone for all the lovely cards and presents.

VACANCIES

Stanley Bakery Ltd. require an experienced Baker or a Baker's Assistant. To obtain a job description and details of hours, please call Micky (Home 22310 or Fax 22694) or Kevin on 22692

Stanley Running Club
Spring Race Programme
Provisional dates for races leading up to the 1/2 marathon.
19th Oct. Snakes & Ladders Race
9th Nov. Moody Brook Challenge
Training Schedule for 1/2 marathon. Week 6
Sat. 17th - Jog 6 miles
Sun 19th - 'Snakes and ladders' race Start Stanley Leisure Centre 11.30am
Mon. 20th - jog 1 hour
Wed 21st - run 6 miles
Thurs 23rd - Jog 1 hour
Fri 24th - run 5 miles

PERSONAL

ROSE STEWART
Grannie, Happy Birthday for Thursday 16, love you lots from Roisin & Clodagh

Birth - In Southampton on the 22nd September to Leann and Tooty Ford of Stanley a son, Ieuan Colin weighing 7lbs 3ozs
(A full list of births, marriages and deaths will appear in next week's paper)

For spares and repair of washing machines, Hoovers, Fridges, Microwaves and Electric motors. call Neil on 21041

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To all customers:

Seafish (Falklands) Limited has bought Goodwin Offshore Limited, and its subsidiary company, Freiwin Chandlery Limited. With immediate effect, the chandlery will not be open to the general public other than by arrangement. This is to allow a period of reorganisation and stock-taking. Further information about the Chandlery will in due course be made public through the media.

Any ships agent or other customer with an urgent requirement should contact Magnus George or Stella Middleton on telephone number 22341 or fax 22340. Any inconvenience is regretted.

M. George
12 October 1997

Postscript from the Baha'is

As the twentieth century draws to a close, the world community is experiencing startling changes that are profoundly altering the character of society. We in the Falklands have witnessed how unparalleled technological advances have contracted the world into a mere neighbourhood. On our T.V. screens we are instantly aware of other's affairs and the interrelated problems that threaten both the fabric of civilised life and the natural world. Unfortunately not scientific knowledge, technology, military power, education or social welfare, which we have in great array, are resolving problems such as crushing poverty, the oppression of women and minority groups, intractable political, religious and ethnic conflicts, and the disruption of global ecosystems.

Fortunately it is not left solely to human wisdom to define the principles and control the forces that will help mankind through its difficulties towards a better future. Its at times like these, when Man is starving for spiritual knowledge, that the guidance of the great spiritual teachers such as Krishna, Moses, Christ, Buddha, Muhammad and Baha'u'llah have had a profound influence in advancing civilisation.

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Flute and clarinet's of the Kings Division Normandy Band. Tony Burnett reports on 'The Last Night of the Proms' held in the Stanley Town Hall last week
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Tiddley om pom prom

Argentina holds mid-term elections

FOLLOWING the midterm elections in Argentina on Sunday October 26, the chances of a re-shuffle in the Cabinet are said to have increased, particularly as President Menem himself has admitted that there could be some changes.

Although Argentine Foreign Minister, Guido di Tella, is reported to be on a 'strong standing' in the cabinet, he is known to be tired of his seven years in office, and if he does decide to go, it has been suggested that he could be replaced by his second in command, Cisneros, or Cárdenas, the former UN Ambassador, now working for the powerful British banking group HSBC.

With regard to the elections themselves, Menem is openly campaigning for the Peronist candidates and the 'record of his administration', and is apparently optimistic (since the Peronists are guaranteed to win) despite the news that opinion polls are predicting Peronists could lose anywhere between 6 to 14 seats - a first defeat for Menem in the ballot boxes.

(Info supplied by MP)

Argentine families visit scheduled for November

WITH the agreement of Falkland Islands Councillors, fifteen relatives of Argentine Servicemen killed in the Falklands' conflict will visit the Islands on November 19-20. They will visit the Argentine War Cemetery at Darwin and stay overnight at Darwin Lodge. The party will be accompanied by a priest.

FI Airways aim for March 1998 start date

UNDAUNTED by a recent refusal by the Islands Government to invest in the operation of a Montevideo-Falklands airlink, Falkland Islands Airways (FIA) hope to be operational by the end of the first quarter next year (March 1998). Director, Mike Summers, told *Penguin News* that although it has not been finally decided which airframe will be used to fly the Sao Paulo-Montevideo-Falklands route, preferences include the Boeing 737 and the Brazilian regional jet the Embraer 145. FIA are presently in the process of talking to British Airways with regard to an option for BA to franchise the operation.

However, John Williams, a former senior operations official with British Airways, who has been contracted by FIA to provide expertise, has said on FIBS, that nothing has yet been agreed with BA, and he will be meeting with them again on his return to the UK. Mr Williams has spent his time in the Islands attending meetings in Stanley and at MPA on the subject of, "the start of the formal process of putting into place the operational necessities."

Mike Summers explained that meetings had been held with representatives of FOSA (Falklands Off-shore Sharing Agreement) regard-

ing the carriage of oil traffic to and from the Islands, but in an interview with FIBS, John Williams explained that they felt the Airways could exist profitably even if there were to be no oil and thus no oil traffic. On the subject of finance, Mr Williams said, "we are confident we can mount an operation through the first year and there is every possibility of a fully sustainable profitable operation on into the future." The company is financed privately, and Mike Summers said that 30% shareholding will be held locally, while the remainder will be held by British Nationals. Falkland Islands' companies have been approached with regard to investing in FIA.

Islanders have been informed that when FIA is operational they will be able to travel to the UK on a comparable rate with that of the RAF Tristar; there will be employment opportunities with FIA, and individuals, in the future, may be given the chance to invest.

Drugs arrest at MPA

CUSTOMS and Immigration Officers attending the arrival of the Tristar flight at Mount Pleasant Airport on October 21, had reason to arrest a passenger on suspicion of attempting to illegally import to

the Falkland Islands a controlled drug.

The person has since been released on bail whilst further enquiries into the alleged offence are being made.

New to Penguin News:
WEEKLY current affairs
supplement.. see inside



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DESPITE the importance of the last few weeks - the build up to the election, the election itself and the intense interest with which it has been followed by Islands' residents, there are probably many who are now surreptitiously breathing sighs of relief that local papers and the radio are no longer bordering on political saturation. With this in mind, and a growing belief amongst *Penguin News* editorial staff, that we may, in the past few months have been concentrating overly on the 'bigger issues', to the detriment of smaller local stories, we once again call on readers assistance in helping us keep informed of items of interest which may have, unhappily, not reached our ears. Particularly (but not specifically) we would be delighted to hear more news from the Camp, the residents of which, it appears, have a tendency to be rather too modest in terms of what events in their lives they feel would be of interest to others.

With this mood of new resolution upon us, and prompted by a suggestion from a resident, *Penguin News* this week launches a weekly current affairs supplement. The extra pages (readers' comments on which we will be interested to hear) will generally include international media references to the Falkland Islands, BBC press reviews of British newspaper headline stories (provided by the Secretariat) and articles from South America.

Penguin News were also motivated to produce the additional pages as a result of our regret that despite the wealth of information provided by the Secretariat and *Mercopress*, editorial staff have been, due to space limitations, forced to be overly selective in passing it on to readers. It is our sincere hope that the supplement will be felt of value as a current affairs reference.

Readers should also be aware, that to prevent time spent on the pull-out detracting from the quality and content of the remainder of the paper, supplement news will be presented in a simple format, the weekly creation of which, will on the whole, fall on the shoulders of our all ready overworked Office Manager, Fran Biggs.

THE negative attitude from councillors regarding the need for a sniffer dog to assist in searches for controlled drugs, appears this week to have been proved somewhat complacent in the light of the arrest made at Mount Pleasant Airport on October 21.



Cancer Support and Awareness Trust

8th November 1997

The Cancer Support and Awareness Trust are holding a Conservatory tea party at Government House beginning 3.30pm

Live classical music
large raffle
and
a stall for home and handmade goods.

The CSAT would be delighted to see everyone there

..Helping people live with cancer..

Your letters

Thank you from Norma

NOW that I am once more home, (thank God), and over jet lag and bugs I picked up whilst away, may I, courtesy of *Penguin News*, say a belated thank you to the kind people who acted as my proposer, seconder and supporters during this past election and of course to all the people who voted for me. Last, but not least, a big thank you to Kevin Kilmartin who kindly submitted the necessary papers to the returning officer at the appropriate time on my behalf, and to Councillor Bill Luxton who said kind things about me during his election speech. I'm very grateful to you all.

May I take this opportunity too, to answer the questions posed by Mr Brian Hewitt, North Arm in last week's *Penguin News*.

1. Yes I was faxed the questions submitted to F.I.B.S. for candidates to answer. I have no idea whether other candidates conferred with each other before going on air, but I doubt that they did.

2. No, I did not seek the Governor's advice on this matter. I had already made clear to the Governor in a letter written to him on 16th December, 1996, (prior to the Chevening talks) and sent copies to the Foreign Secretary of the day, about my concerns regarding the talks. I stated that I wanted no part in, and I quote, "Dr. di Tella's latest charm offensive," but it was a majority decision by Council of the day that the talks should be attended by two councillors, and that's called democracy.

3. What statements H.E. The

Code of practice for all

I hope when the Animal Welfare Code of Practice is passed, it will apply to the Agricultural Department as well as farmers, especially if it includes the welfare of cattle.

Glenda Watson
Long Island Farm

Governor chooses to make are entirely his business.

4. Yes.

5. I don't feel I have broken faith with my constituents at all. I have never taken part in any secret meetings with di Tella and his team and I never will.

I have not changed my attitude on the policy set by the Falkland Islands Government after the conflict. When the Argentinians drop their claim to sovereignty over us and when they recognise our right to self-determination then, and only then in my opinion, can we talk on a Government to Government level. Until such time, apart from matters concerning the conservation of the area which we live in, and Falkland Island representatives at the Anglo/Argentinian talks on the joint area of co-operation to the south west of the Islands (with which, you will no doubt be aware, I didn't agree with either) I really don't think we have anything to talk to the Argentinians about. I hope that answers Mr Hewitt's questions. I would add that I entirely agree with him in regard to Mr Eric Goss's integrity on the Argentinian front. I know he felt the same as I did about the Chevening talks.

Hopefully this has laid Dr di Tella to rest for a wee while, but I suppose that's wishful thinking.

Thank you also to you *Penguin News*, the *Teaberry Express* and F.I.B.S. for all the election coverage.

Norma Edwards
Stanley

To the individuals concerned. The rumours you are spreading comprising suggestions that Jason (Buz) has quit his course in Australia, are entirely unfounded. I suggest you take a long look at your own lives before you try to disrupt others.

Pat Marsh
Fox Bay

Public Notice

APPLICATIONS are invited to fill an immediate vacancy for a Trainee Aircraft Fitter with the Falkland Islands Government Air Service.

This is an ideal position for a young person with an interest or aptitude for mechanical engineering who wishes to broaden his/her knowledge into the field of aircraft engineering. The successful candidate would join the maintenance section whose responsibility is the continuous maintenance of the fleet of six Islander aircraft. He/she must be a reliable time-keeper with a keenness to learn and an ability to follow instructions.

Salary will commence at £8,896 per annum in Grade H. Interested persons should contact the Chief Engineer, Mr John Coult, on telephone 27219 for further details.

Application forms are available from the Human Resources Department, Secretariat and completed forms along with school records of achievement should be sent to the Chairman Appointments Board, Secretariat by 4.00 pm on Wednesday 29th October 1997.

Write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley, Falkland Islands

Matchless error On the right track

I HAVE only now had the opportunity to read your September 19 issue, and the letter in it from Mr Peck concerning planning application for development near the Public Jetty. It would be hard to match Mr Peck's ability to incorporate so many errors of fact in such a short letter.

Contrary to what Mr Peck has said, the formal planning application to which the pending planning appeal relates most positively did include a residential flat. Also contrary to what he says, the applica-

tion contains no third floor "harbour observation room", or any third floor accommodation of any kind. The appeal is not by G. Dickson (or even G Dixon), but by FIDC. Dixon Architects act for FIDC in this matter.

Contrary to the heading to Mr Peck's letter, the appeal is not to the Planning Committee, but is against the failure of the Planning Committee to take a decision upon the planning application.

Gerald Dixon, England

Goodbye to Bill Hunter Christie

TO BILL HUNTER-CHRISTIE:

Bill was a very good friend of the Falklands and to me personally. Through his expertise in Foreign Affairs and his great legal ability he was able to understand the workings of the Foreign Office mind, and, through the medium of the F.I. Committee, advise F.I. Legislative Council and the Falkland Islands generally when it came to dealing with FCO ideas on co-operation with Argentina.

He, ably assisted by Merle Christie, was able to effectively lobby members of Parliament of all parties, and develop the very strong pro-Falklands' lobby in Parliament.

If the councillors thought that

sometimes the Falklands' dog was being wagged by the tail, it was a damned good thing this did happen occasionally.

All Falkland Islanders owe an enormous debt to Bill and Merle Christie.

I think perhaps I more than most. When I was appointed by FIG to open their London Office and be the first Falkland Island Government representative, I was woefully inadequate. Bill and Merle Christie, by their quiet behind the scenes advice and generous practical support, made my task possible. I am tremendously grateful.

Goodbye old friend and I am proud to have known you.

A.B. Monk

Allans' an inspiration

RAISING money for worthy causes is an activity at which Falkland Islanders excel, the amounts given to charities and sports clubs vastly out of proportion to the population. But it is not a talent they have confined to the Islands. Terry Allan (38 year old son of Stanley's Joyce and John Allan) and his wife, Maxine, have been supporting the Swindon Portage Service for some years, contributing hundreds of pounds to them.

Portage, a service set up to help pre-school children with special needs, is named after the town of Portage in Wisconsin, America, where the project first began.

Terry, who commutes between Swindon and London in his job as an executive with the Hertz car hire organisation, and Maxine became involved with Portage six years ago when it was realised that their son, Thomas, was suffering



Islander Terry Allan with his son, Thomas who died four years ago

A FEW points to ponder whilst the track to the Argentine cemetery at Darwin is being up-graded:

1. Many farmers living outside main settlements have pleaded for track upgrades - to no avail.

2. These same farmers use their tracks at least once a week, through all seasons, not just a couple of times a year as is the case with the Darwin cemetery.

3. Most importantly it must

make all these farmers feel really good to know that they come slightly further down the list of PWD priorities than visiting Argentines.

NB. I have nothing against relatives visiting the cemetery, but I do feel strongly about the allocation of machinery and manpower that could be used for the benefit of the residents of these Islands.

Sharon Marsh, Rincon Ridge

Question of obligation

AFTER my low poll in the General Election on October 9, showing I was not the flavour of the day, I expected to fade into oblivion. However, this was not to be as Brian Hewitt's letter brought me back into the limelight when he trawled a response from four members who served on the last Council with me. I particularly liked Brian's last sentence - isn't it refreshing to read compliments instead of criticism.

Knowing one unpleasant definition of "dump" I am grateful Richard Stevens spared me. My last contact with Bill Luxton before the radio interview on October 2 was at Standing Finance Committee on August 29, and I have no recollection that this matter was ever raised as was suggested in his ultimate sentence.

The issue poses the question about obligations one is under. Who had, "made and subscribed before the Governor the Oath of Secrecy?" Where is the penalty for

betrayal in our constitution? Or is it one of the grey areas where we conjure up fearful consequences in our own minds?

My position has now reversed from answering questions put by the electorate to asking, so I will take advantage of your letters page to ask elected members the following:

1. Who authorised early work on track improvement to the Argentine cemetery? I believe it was listed a category four with projection for the 1988/99 financial year. Does this mean some other project will suffer as a result of the advance cost?

2. Did the Pony's Pass Quarry begin production on the target date of October 18 as promised?

3. When will work begin on building the road from Darwin Cemetery to North Arm?

4. What is the plan for the renovation of Bodie Creek Bridge and when will work begin?

Eric Goss, North Arm

Sorry Susie

OUR apologies to Susie and Ian Hansen for being so long in correcting a mistake made by *Penguin News* in Susie's excellent article on the subject of miniature horses entitled *Room for a little one*. In the introduction we claimed that the horses vary in height from 14" to 24". These heights actually refer to miniature foals, not full grown miniature horses.

ble. The service helps parents understand what they have to do to help their children." He added, "It is very rewarding being involved."

Senior Portage teacher, Lucette Rees, told the *Evening Advertiser*, "We have a plaque in the playground in memory of Thomas. After he died money was donated to the service to buy some new toys. He has not been forgotten."

"We are very grateful for all the help we receive," she went on. "The Allan family is an inspiration."

from a rare genetic disorder called Prader-Willi Syndrome which affects about 400 youngsters in Britain.

Sadly, Thomas died four years ago but Terry and Maxine still remain grateful to Portage for the help he received from them in the two years he attended the service in Swindon's Drove Centre.

Talking to Swindon's *Evening Advertiser*, Terry said, "we will never know how far he might have gone, but we do know in two years of working with Portage he achieved so much."

The couple have taken their links with Portage much further than simply raising funds in the four years since Thomas died. "We talk to other parents and provide emotional support for them," Terry said. "Maxine goes to the toy library to talk to parents and we try to attend as many events as possi-

Penguin News talk to 'Wetlands' advisors

Falklands' wetlands "worthy of merit"

VISITING the Islands for a period of between one and two months, with the aim of studying those Falklands' wetlands with potential for being listed by the wetlands intergovernmental conservation group, the *Ramsar Convention* are wetlands advisor, Michael Smart, and Paul St Pierre of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds.

Ramsar, said Michael, is a convention between governments with over 100 members, of which the United Kingdom is an extremely active participant. The aim of the convention is for governments to work together in preserving the character of wetlands of ecological value (lakes, peat bogs, coastlines, beaches etc.). A wetland might be considered particularly ecologically valuable, explained Michael, if it contained wildlife or species of flora and fauna, unique to the Islands.

At present, suggestions for possible sites include Lake Sullivan, Bertha's Beach and Pebble Island East (the farmers involved have

shown enthusiasm for such a project). Listing a site, said Michael, should not actually affect the farmer in any negative way, in fact it may bring advantages including greater international prestige and advantage with growth of eco-tourism.

Studies have already been made of these areas in the past, however Michael and Paul are here to 'put together something more concrete'. On completion of their time in the Islands Michael, who was formerly the Senior Policy Advisor for the Convention on Wetlands in Switzerland, will provide the Falklands' Government with a report. FIG may then choose to approach Ramsar with a request that chosen areas should be listed.

If this should happen, Falklands Conservation will provide the convention with regular reports on the state of the sites in question.

So enthusiastic is Michael regarding the potential of the Islands with regard to the value of



Above: Paul St Pierre, Becky Ingham (Falk. Conservation) Michael Smart

wetlands, he suggests that if the Islanders so wished, the Islands could be completely unique and register the whole landmass.

Ultimately, such decisions are entirely in the hands of Islanders and their representatives, he emphasised.

"From all I have read," he enthused, "some of the Islands' wetlands are of undoubted quality (in international terms), and merit recognition."

Beauchene Island: To be or not to be a world heritage site

Beauchene Island, Falkland Islands. Photograph courtesy of the Fisheries Department



LAST year, scientist, Graham Robertson was given permission by the Falkland Islands Government to visit Beauchene Island with the proviso he made an assessment of the Islands' potential for World Heritage nomination. Recently released to the public is a report by Mr Robertson which not only fulfils this proviso, but comments on the suitability of the code of conduct for visitors to the Island.

"Information in this report," writes Mr Robertson, "is intended to stimulate interest in the World Heritage potential of Beauchene Island and to assist those involved in any assessment process."

In general, he reports, the listing of a site may be accompanied by an increase in national pride in

the site, an increase in global awareness of the site, the compulsory adoption of high standards of land management for the site, and less difficulty procuring funds for research and management activities at the site. "Before proceeding with a nomination for Beauchene Islands," he goes on, "the people of the Falkland Islands, or their representatives, should decide if these features would confer an advantage over the current management practice for the Island."

Irrespective of any decision regarding nomination, however, he strongly recommends that a legally binding comprehensive management plan for the Islands is formulated. *Graham Robertson's report can be obtained from the Secretariat.*

MP's to visit Islands

A PARTY of six British members of Parliament have been invited to visit the Falklands on a familiarisation mission next month (November).

The six, drawn from the three major political parties, are expected to arrive in the Islands on November 6 and depart on November 12.

Four of the six, two Labour, one Conservative and one Liberal Democrat, have already accepted their invitations.

Frank Doran has been the Labour member for Aberdeen Central since May 1 this year, a seat he took for Labour from Conservative with a majority of 10,801 (30.33%).

A qualified solicitor he was born in 1949 and first stood for Parliament for North East Scotland in 1984, failing then but winning Aberdeen South in 1987. He is separated from his wife and has two sons. His special interests are listed as Energy, Child Care, Family and Mental Health.

The second Labour representative, Dr John Marek, has been to the Islands before as a delegate on a Defence visit in 1987. He retained Wrexham for Labour in the General Election with a majority of 11,762 (32.29%), which repre-

sented a 7.4% swing from Conservative to Labour.

He failed to win election to the House at his first attempt (Ludlow, 1974) but won the Chorley seat in June 1983 and has been an MP ever since. He was born in 1940, is married and was a lecturer in Applied Mathematics at the University of Wales before turning to politics.

His special interests are Transport and Economic Policy.

Despite a swing of 10.8% to Labour, James Paice held on to his Cambridgeshire South East seat for the Conservatives with a healthy 9,349 majority (16.46%) in the General Election.

Born in 1949 he attended agricultural college and was a farm manager from 1970 to 1993 - combining that career with successive posts as a contractor, training manager and later general manager of Framingham Management and Training Services Limited.

His first attempt to enter politics also ended in defeat when he contested Caerarvon in 1979. He has been the member for his current seat since 1987 and has served as PPS to Baroness Trumpington (Minister of State, Agriculture, Fisheries and Food 1989 - 90), PPS to the Right Honourable John

Selwyn Gummer (Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food 1990 - 93), as Secretary of State for the Environment 1993 - 94, and as Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the Department of Employment 1994 - 95, and the Department of Education and Employment 1995 - 97.

He is married with two sons and lists his special interests as Small Businesses, Employment Promotion, Agriculture, Rural Affairs, Training and Waste Management.

Of the four MP's already committed to visiting the Islands, Colin Breed, Liberal Democrat, has the smallest majority. He wrested Cornwall South East from the Conservatives in the general election, with a swing of 12.1% to give him a majority of 6,480 (11.28%).

A product of the post-war years he was born in 1947, educated at Torquay Grammar School for Boys, and is married with one son and one daughter.

He is new to national politics, the 1997 election being the first he has fought. He is a banker and lists Cornwall as his special interest.

During their visit the party will be meeting with senior government officials, councillors, representatives from the business community and the general public. They will also be flown to Fox Bay, spend a night at Port Howard Lodge and be given a brief tour of the Mount Pleasant Airport complex.

Oil and land main issues at Councillor's meeting

COUNCILLOR John Birmingham has declared himself quietly pleased at the success of the first public meeting he has held since being re-elected to Council on October 9.

The two main issues raised by those attending related to Falkland Landholdings and the release, or otherwise, of land for sale; and concerns that Islanders will generate a "greedy" image to the British public if we do not agree to a pre-discovery formula for sharing oil wealth.

Councillor Birmingham said the current stance of Council is that there is still much work required on "planning the infrastructure of the Islands," and that, "it is still far too early to consider talking about oil revenues."

The meeting, on Monday, October 20, took place at Gilbert House and was the first in a series Councillor Birmingham plans to stage for a trial period of six months. They will take place every Monday evening between 5.00 and 6.00pm.

"I am not concerned with numbers," he told *Penguin News*. "I consider these meetings to be a service to my constituents."

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are invited to fill the post of Stores Clerk in the Government Central Stores.

The main duties include data entry of daily stores records, helping out at the stores counter, stocktaking, boards of survey as required, and other general office duties.

GCSE passes in English and Maths, a polite telephone manner when dealing with local and overseas suppliers and accurate keyboard skills are essential, previous clerical experience would be an advantage.

Salary is in Grade G ranging from £10,176 to £12,720 per annum, entry point being depending on the successful candidates' qualifications and relevant experience.

Further details of the post can be obtained by contacting the Supplies Officer, Mr Alan Jones, on telephone number 27169 during normal working hours. Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4 pm on Tuesday 28th October 1997.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are invited to fill the newly created post of Clerk in the Attorney General's Chambers to commence duties as soon as possible.

The duties of the post require knowledge of office procedures, and the ability to work to deadlines sometimes under pressure. A high degree of confidentiality is required in relation to work involving transactions between Government and others.

GCSE passes in English and Maths, a polite manner when dealing with people and accurate keyboard skills are essential, previous clerical and Government experience would be an advantage.

Salary is in Grade H ranging from £8,964 to £11,208 per annum, entry point being depending on the successful candidates' qualifications and relevant experience.

Further details of the post can be obtained by contacting the Senior Crown Counsel, Mr Robert Titterton, on telephone number 27274 during normal working hours. Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4 pm on Tuesday 28th October 1997.

Open meetings to go on

COUNCILLOR Mike Summers has announced that he is to continue the open meetings that have been a feature of his tenure on LegCo.

In an interesting demonstration of Council unity he will be joined at the fortnightly meetings by Councillor's Cheek and Clifton and has said that there will always

be at least two out of the three present.

"The purpose of these meetings is to go on encouraging discussions on topical issues," Councillor Summers told *Penguin News* this week.

The first meeting will be in Gilbert House on Wednesday, October 29.

Notice From Stanley Leisure Centre

FROM Saturday, October 25, to Saturday, November 1, a swimming coach from the Isle of Man, Steve Cooil, will be visiting the Islands, sponsored by the Shackleton Fund. Steve will be working with Stanley Swimming Club to develop training plans. He will also be running a short course in swimming teaching on Monday October 27 and Wednesday October 29, 4 - 8pm. Anyone who would like a free lesson to improve their swimming is welcome to attend these sessions: Monday and Wednesday Children 4 - 5pm, Adults 7 - 8pm. Please give your name to the Leisure Centre by Monday October 27. The pool will close at 7pm on Friday, October 31, for a swimming presentation by Steve and the Stanley Swimming Club.

Looking back on September

Births

September 2nd: A son, Dean Angus, to Janice Vanessa Jaffray
September 2nd: A daughter, Erin Elizabeth, to Lee Felton Hazell
September 25th: A daughter, Phoebe Casey May, to Tyssen John Richard and Gina Ruth Mary Smith (nee Jaffray)
September 22nd: A son, Ieuan Colin to Colin 'Tooty' and Leann Ford (nee Whitney)

Deaths

October 2nd Edward Bernard Anderson aged 81
Rita Amadio aged 97 in Sydney, Australia

Dance club demise means cash for charities



Sharon Middleton hands a cheque for £376.45 to Nick Hadden and Councillor John Birmingham for the Blue Bus Appeal

THREE local charities were the grateful beneficiaries when Stanley Dance Club decided to close down after struggling to find viable venues at which to hold their popular dance meetings.

At a quiet ceremony in the Day Centre of the King Edward VII Memorial Hospital this week Sharon Middleton, who founded the club with husband Dennis, presented cheques, each for the sum of £376.45, to Nick Hadden and John Birmingham for the Blue Bus

Appeal. Mrs Theresa Lang for the Cancer Support and Awareness Trust, and Mrs Nanette Morrison for the Stephen Jaffray Memorial Fund.

The money came from subscriptions paid to the Dance Club over a number of years.

Sharon told *Penguin News* after the presentation that if there was still a demand from the public, especially youngsters, to keep traditional dancing alive she and Dennis would re-form the club.



WHEN, just over 100 years ago, on October 6, 1895, a young man named Henry Wood organised a concert in the Queen's Hall, in London, he could little have guessed that he was initiating an annual event that would grow into one of Britain's best loved and most enduring musical traditions - the Promenade Concerts. Blessed with an unerring instinct for pleasing the public palate, Wood, who had originally been an organist, encouraged the good-natured patriotism the concerts generated, and gradually broadened the 'popular music' programme of the concerts to include the entire range of eighteenth and nineteenth orchestral music, later introducing works from contemporaries like Richard Strauss, Debussy and Schoenberg. In 1927 the BBC assumed management control of the Promenade Concerts, which were transferred to the Royal Albert Hall when the Queen's Hall was destroyed in World War II. Radio brought the concerts to a much wider audience leading to copycat concerts performed around the world. These proved no less popular than the original concerts and have ultimately brought the unique 'Proms' concept to millions.



Tiddely om pom prom



Above: Resplendent in scarlet uniforms, The King's Division Normandy Band accept rapturous applause from the audience.
Below: Mel Gibson from Braveheart? No, it's Ian Dempster from FIDC
Below right: Miss Margaret Probyn sings Summertime



Above: The audience are on their feet and are ready to give their all for Rule Britannia
Below: The Corps of Drums of the Duke of Wellington's Regiment defy individuality with a stunning display of mass co-ordination
Right: Rene Rowlands, Joan Bound and Annie Gisby enjoy the show



At 7.00 o'clock in the evening on Thursday, October 16, Captain Keith Hatton raised his baton in Stanley Town Hall and, as he brought it down, history was made. The King's Division, Normandy Band launched into an hour and a half of music which brought a century old tradition to the Islands and, ultimately, the audience to their feet in wild appreciation. The Last Night of the Proms had arrived in the Falklands.

As a prelude to the concert, Captain Hatton, the Band's Director of Music, welcomed the almost full house and explained how the Normandy Band had formed when defence cuts led to six Northern battalions losing their regimental bands. Now the musicians of the King's Division Normandy Band are drawn from those same regiments, and represent them all over the world.

Their first set in the Town Hall began safely enough with a competent if not explosive military march. The Band themselves might have been a trifle bemused at the rapturous applause they received for this first offering from an audience which had obviously come with a collective cast-iron resolve to enjoy themselves. And enjoy themselves they did. Red white and blue was rampant in clothing, on hats, and, of course, on the Union Flags that were being brandished in every corner of the hall. One senior FIDC executive, not normally noted for an abundance of

cranial fur, had even sprouted a full head of bright red hair especially for the occasion.

The reception that greeted their first number obviously heartened the Band, for to complement the competence already displayed they injected an additional spirit into the rest of their considerable repertoire.

Solo vocalist, Margaret Probyn then entered the hall and must have wondered what she had done to merit the applause she was accorded before even uttering a note. It was nothing, though, to the sustained clapping that followed her first song, the soulful *Summertime* from Gershwin's *Porgy and Bess*.

She was followed by the Corps of Drums of the Duke of Wellington's Regiment whose synchronicity of music and movement was as near perfect as makes no difference, and soundly cheered when it ended.

The second half was no less exuberant, the Band belting out a suite of five ballet compositions ending with the rousing *cancan*. (Though the *cancan* dance was derived from the quadrille in about 1840, and was considered vulgar, the music we now know as the *Cancan* was written by Jaques Offenbach in 1858 for his light opera, *Orpheus in the Underworld*.)

Miss Probyn returned, magnifi-

cantly attired as Britannia, (complete with trident and one of the bandsmen's helmets) to lead a thoroughly roused audience as they roared through *Pomp and Circumstance* - better known as *Rule Britannia*.

Jerusalem closed the concert, sung first with gravitas before escalating to full-throated gusto which threatened to lift the roof and required several encores before the audience would allow the Band and Miss Probyn to leave the hall.

The Band were in the Islands to become the southern-most link in a world-girdling chain of concerts that would involve thousands of people singing the Hallelujah Chorus at 1930 hours in every time zone, thus forming a continuous, twenty four hour concert.

The Stanley concert was an addendum to that programme and raised significant sums for two local charities, FIODA Theatre 2000 Project and the Community Chest fund. Concert organisers Marilyn Hall and Sharon Middleton, who

were anxious to express their thanks to everyone who helped in any way towards the concert, are themselves to be congratulated in helping to bring a unique and absorbing event to Stanley.

Above: Clarinets and flutes at the high port!
Below left & right: Happy families and a proper knees up
Bottom: Claire Platt flies the flag for Britannia



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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

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm.
ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm Minister: Mike Mitchelmore 21787

St. MARY'S

SUNDAY: 10am (MPA 6.30pm).
Week days: 9am, Sat. also 5pm

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

SUN: 8am Holy Communion, 10.30am Eucharist/Morning worship: 6.30pm Holy Mass.
MON: 6.30am Mass
WED: 7.30pm Holy communion, 8pm Bible Study Tel. 74350

BAHA'IFAITH

For information on meetings please ring Tel: 21957 (evenings)

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:	26	0340	1.3	WED	29	0525	1.5
	SUN	0928	0.8			1121	0.5
		1535	1.4			1742	1.5
		2152	0.6			2336	0.5
Fox Bay +2hr 30m		Sunrise 0525			Sunrise 0519		
Roy Cove +4 hrs 30m		Sunset 1948			Sunset 1953		
Port Howard +3hrs 19m					30		
Teal Inlet +3hrs 30m	27	0422	1.4	THURS			
Sea Lion Is. +1hr 15m	MON	1011	0.6		0552	1.5	
Port Stephens +3hrs 15m		1625	1.4		1152	0.4	
Hill Cove +4hrs		2230	0.6		1815	1.5	
Berkeley Sound +1hr 11m		Sunrise 0523			0007	0.5	
Port San Carlos + 2hr 55m		Sunset 1950			Sunrise 0517		
Darwin Harbour -56m	28	0456	1.4		Sunset 1955		
	October						
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		0819	0.8		1705	1.5	
		1431	1.4		2305	0.5	
	SAT	2207	0.6		Sunrise 0521		
		Sunrise 0527			Sunset 1952		
		Sunset 1946			Sunrise 0515		
					Sunset 1957		
					31	0617	1.6
					FRI	1223	0.3
						1848	1.5
						0035	0.6
						Sunrise 0515	
						Sunset 1957	

LIBRARY

Monday - Friday

08.45am - 12 noon and

1.30pm - 5.45pm

Saturday: 10am - 12 noon

2pm - 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

10.30 - 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 Liz Burnett, Tel: 21770 or Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

SQUASH CLUB Thursdays 5-9pm Contact Dik Sawle Tel 21414

NETBALL CLUB Tuesdays 6-8pm, Wednesday 6-7pm All are welcome Contact Sarah Allan 22119

THE FI GUN CLUB New members welcome Contact Ped Tel: 21663 or Graham Didlick 21622 P.O. Box 540

F.I. RIFLE ASSOCIATION Contact Secretary G Cheek, 21402

STANLEY GOLF CLUB Competitions on Sunday at 8.45 am. Contact Mike Summers on tel: 21542

FI MOTORCYCLE ASSOC.

All queries & information on races etc contact Andrew Newman 21606 or Rowena Summers 21015

YMCA Accommodation available Contact Terry Peck 21074

ASTHMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets second Tuesday of every third month in Day Centre at 5pm Contact Graham France on 21624

FALKLAND ISLANDS RED CROSS ASSOCIATION New members welcome. Contact Secretary Irene Baker 20839 or Chairman Nick Hadden, 21014

GUILD OF SPINNERS, WEAVERS & HANDICRAFTS Meetings on Wednesday evening at 7.30pm Contact Marj McPhee, tel: 21106

CANCER SUPPORT & AWARE-

NESS TRUST Contact Shiralee Collins, 21597. Sister Bridie 22086. Derek Howatt 21385

FIODA Actors/singers/stagehands contact Alan 21019

DIABETIC ASSOCIATION

Meets first Thursday of every month. 7.30pm in the Day Centre

STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB

Contact D. Humphreys Tel. 22028

Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm, Fridays 4-5

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB

Contact David McLeod Phone: 20836 (day), 20843 (home)

RUNNING CLUB Meets Wednesday 5.30pm, contact Tracy Porter 21574

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Meets 1st Monday every month @ 2000 hrs, WO1 & Sgt Mess, Hillside Camp. All ex or serving Service persons welcome. Contact A Geach, R Fiddes or KD Greenland for info 21454 or 27222.

F.I. WESTERN LINE DANCE CLUB: Meets Drill Hall (All welcome) - Mon: 7pm. Contact Tricia Hanlon 21406

STANLEY SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB Friday 7-9pm Sundays 4-5pm. Contact Angela Lee on 21762 or M. Humphreys on 22028

JELLY TOTS CLUB meets Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays at the Day Centre from 2.30 - 4pm. All welcome

WELL BABY/CHILD CLINIC

Day Centre KEMH Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am. Contact Miranda

Cheek Health Visitor 27418

Leisure Centre Term Times - Further information/Bookings: tel 27291

Day	Pool	Courts
Monday	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming 12.00 - 1.00 Public
	5.00 - 7.00	Public 5.00 - 9.00
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
Tuesday	9.30 - 10.30	Public 9.30-10.30
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming 12.00 - 1.00 Public
	5.00 - 7.00	Public 5.00 - 9.00
Wednesday	7.00 - 8.00	Public
	10.30 - 12.00	Hospital/OAP's 12.00 - 1.00 Public
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming 5.00 - 9.00 Public
Thursday	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	7.00 - 9.00	Private Hire
Friday	10.00 - 11.30	Parents/Toddlers 12.00 - 1.00 Public
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming 5.00 - 9.00 Public
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
Saturday	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	8.00 - 9.00	Private Hire
	10.00 - 4.00	Public 10.00 - 6.00 Public
Sunday	4.00 - 5.00	Adults
	10.00 - 4.00	Public 10.00 - 6.00 Public

Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER

9.15 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE
 9.35 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 10.05 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES
 10.30 LIVE AND KICKING
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Racing from Ascot; Golf-World Matchplay from Wentworth, penultimate day; Football Focus, and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 4.10 SONGS AND VISIONS A recording of a recent concert held at Wembley Stadium to mark the 20th anniversary of Elvis's death
 6.40 TOP OF THE POPS
 7.10 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERMAN Lois and Clark turn to Lois's father, Sam, for advice on how they can have a child
 7.50 CASUALTY Richard McGaig is preoccupied with the fact that he stood up Dr George Woodham for a drink
 8.45 WORLD CUP QUALIFIER Italy v England
 11.25 FILM: BACKDRAFT (1991.15) Action drama starring Kurt Russell, William Baldwin and Robert De Niro. Twenty years after witnessing his firefighter father's death, Brian McCaffrey returns to Chicago, following family tradition into the hazardous profession

SUNDAY 26TH OCTOBER

10.50 JULIA JEKYLL AND HARRIET HYDE
 11.05 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.30 BLUE PETER
 11.55 WISE UP (New)
 12.25 SONGS OF PRAISE
 1.00 TWO FAT LADIES (New)
 1.30 THE CHART SHOW
 2.05 SCRIMPERS Money saving advice programme
 2.20 BROOKSIDE Christian is close to pushing Rachel too far
 3.30 AS TIME GOES BY
 4.00 HOLIDAY MEMORIES (New)
 4.30 THE WORLD'S TOUGHEST YACHT RACE
 5.10 AUNTIE'S TV FAVOURITES
 5.40 THE DAY THAT CHANGED MY LIFE (New)
 6.10 SURVIVAL SPECIAL Lake Tanganyika in East Africa
 7.05 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.35 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT Wartime memories are stirred when an ex-soldier takes a holiday in the Aidsfield area. A van load of stolen cigarettes is dumped on Greengrass, and Jo has to face up to some tragic news
 9.20 BORN TO RUN The battle is on for the control of Flitch Motors
 10.15 FRIENDS: US comedy series
 10.40 NETWORK FIRST Victoria and Albert (Part 2): Documentary
 11.30 TOTP 2 Hits from Top of the Pops archives, plus today's hits

MONDAY 27TH OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 BOOK BOX 10.15 NUMBERTIME 10.30
 GOOD HEALTH 10.45 TOTS TV
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS The shock waves from Hannah's short story reverberate around Ramsay Street
 2.30 GARDEN PARTY
 2.55 TRACKS
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
 4.00 MORPH TV WITH TONY HART
 4.15 CARTOON CRITTERS
 4.45 YOU'LL NEVER BELIEVE IT!
 5.10 SPICE UP YOUR LIFE
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Stuart reveals that he still loves Rebecca
 5.55 TOP GEAR
 6.25 MASTERMIND
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Mike and Don have a showdown at the factory
 7.45 THE BILL Punchbag: There is conflict between Skase and Croft when a mother is found unconscious at the foot of the stairs
 8.10 CLIVE JAMES ON TV
 8.35 PILGRIMS REST Tilly is finding it hard to get a job, and Bob is not a sympathetic car
 9.05 SOLDIER, SOLDIER (New) When the handsome Toni Rossi transfers to B Company, a personal rivalry erupts between him and Jacko.
 10.00 CLIVE ANDERSON ALL TALK Stephen Fry is this week's guest
 10.35 FILM '97
 11.05 SOMETHING STRANGE
 11.30 FOOTBALL LEAGUE REVIEW

TUESDAY 28TH OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS: 10.00 FOURWAYS FARM 10.10 STORYTIME
 10.25 ZIGZAG 10.45 SNUG & COZI
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Jo makes an important call. Could Darren be about to commit a crime?
 2.30 KEN HOM'S HOT WOK
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: JAY'S WORLD
 4.00 NAME THAT TOON
 4.25 IT'S A MYSTERY (New)
 4.40 BLUE PETER
 5.15 AGENT Z AND THE PENGUIN FROM MARS (Repeat)
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Irene warns Selina she is playing a dangerous game

6.00 A QUESTION OF SPORT (New)

6.30 EMMERDALE Alex tries to make up with Kim with a night out at the casino
 6.55 SCENE HERE Presented by Lucy Jackson
 7.25 EASTENDERS Carol's priority is the safety of her family at a time when she begins to doubt the courage of her convictions
 7.55 999
 8.45 SELECTION BOXES
 9.20 PRESTON FRONT Diesel buys shares in an ostrich, but when he visits the farm, the investment turns into a love affair
 10.00 BULLY (New) Documentary
 10.50 CLASSIC ALBUMS Profile of Fleetwood Mac. Rumours

WEDNESDAY 29TH OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 STAGE ONE 10.15 TELETUBBIES 10.40
 SCHOOLS AT WORK 10.45 TOTS TV
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Jo risks everything for romance
 2.30 THE AIR SHOW Today Hazel Irvine flies the Grand Canyon
 3.00 THE CLOTHES SHOW
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: KIPPER
 4.00 RUGRATS
 4.25 ANIMAL ARK
 4.50 IT'LL NEVER WORK
 5.15 THE SCOOP
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY A new foster child moves into the Ross household
 6.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
 6.30 EMMERDALE Chris confronts Kelly about her recent pay rise. Turner comes to a decision
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Have Jon and Deirdre reached the end of the line
 7.45 THE BILL Best Eaten Cold: A journalist claims he acted in self-defence to stop an intruder, his story does not hold water
 8.10 DRIVING SCHOOL
 8.40 FRIENDS US sitcom
 9.05 PEAK PRACTICE Erica battles with hospital incompetence while Andrew is penny-pinching to save Alice North's life
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 PARTY POLITICAL BROADCAST By the Conservative Party
 10.35 FILM: HURRY UP OR I'LL BE 30 (1973.15) Comedy. With his 30th birthday approaching, printer George Trapani resolves to turn the family firm around and find contentment
 12.05 SUNNYSIDE FARM It seems as if madness is rife around the farm in one form or another. But things look up for Ray when Wendy asks him to provide his own brand of psychotherapy

THURSDAY 30TH OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 MEGAMATHS 10.20 LANDMARKS 10.40
 SCHOOLS AT WORK 10.45 THE RIDDLERS
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Phil plays the over-protective father
 2.30 VISIONS OF SNOWDONIA
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.30 COUNTDOWN
 3.55 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 4.00 SOOTY AND CO
 4.30 GET YOUR OWN BACK (New)
 4.50 BLUE PETER
 5.15 THE O-ZONE
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Aaron is suspicious of Justine's new boyfriend Danny
 6.00 CALL MY BLUFF
 6.30 EMMERDALE Sarah is shocked to discover Billy has lost his job
 6.55 ANIMAL HOSPITAL
 7.25 EASTENDERS After weeks of dating, emotions become frayed between Joe and Sarah
 7.55 TIGER BAY Lili's longed-for reunion with her son turns sour
 8.25 GET FIT WITH BRITTAS
 8.35 THE PARANORMAL WORLD OF PAUL MCKENNA
 9.00 SMITH & JONES
 9.30 ROOM 101 Tonight, Ulrika Johnson
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 THE PROVOS (New)
 11.30 GOOD STUFF COMEDY (New) Rowland Rivron and Davinia McCall present the comic talents of Toomy Tiernan, Ricky Grover, Matt Welcome and John Lenahan
 11.55 THE CHAIR Psychologist Oliver James talks to comedian and flamboyant stage persona, Julian Clary

FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 EUREKA! 10.15 STOP, LOOK, LISTEN 10.30 STAGE
 TWO SCIENCE 10.45 POTAMUS PARK
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Marlene drives Karl to distraction
 2.30 AN INSPECTOR CALLS
 2.55 COMEDY CLASSIC: DAD'S ARMY
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: DINOBABIES
 4.15 BANANAMAN
 4.20 TRANSYLVANIA PET SHOP
 4.45 MR WYMI
 5.00 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
 5.10 KNIGHT SCHOOL
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY A vigilante group is making its mark on Summer Bay

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

6.00 SPACE CADETS

6.25 THE WHITBREAD: THE WORLD'S GREATEST OCEAN RACE
 6.55 SCENE HERE
 7.25 EASTENDERS With their son Billy about to be a witness in an armed robbery trial, it's a tense time for Carol and Alan
 7.55 PIE IN THE SKY
 8.45 SEE YOU FRIDAY Concluding this romantic comedy
 9.10 THE BROKER'S MAN
 10.00 RAB C NESBITT
 10.30 FAMILY MONEY (New) A new drama series starring Claire Bloom as Fran, a widow living in a comfortable London house.
 11.25 TFI FRIDAY

SATURDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

9.15 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE
 9.35 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 10.05 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES
 10.30 LIVE AND KICKING
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Snooker - the first of nine days play in the Grand Prix from Bournemouth; Bowls, the penultimate day's play in the BUPA Care Homes Open, Athletics from Edinburgh; Football Focus; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.25 TOP OF THE POPS
 6.55 BULLY SURVIVAL GUIDE
 7.05 WHEEL OF FORTUNE (New)
 7.30 DAD (New)
 8.00 NOEL'S HOUSEPARTY (New)
 8.50 CASUALTY

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY October 25th

6.00 News BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.30 News and Sport from five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 The Governor's Consort
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 The Italian Renaissance
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY October 26th

5.00 News: BFBS
 5.03 Music fill
 5.15 Dessert Island Discs
 6.00 Music Fill
 6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service-St Mary's
 8.00 Sports Roundup
 8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didlick
 8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.00 News Desk
 9.30 The Old Curiosity Shop
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

MONDAY October 27th

10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS

12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The Late Afternoon Show
 6.00 Country Crossroads
 6.30 The Grumbleweeds
 7.00 Hoplite to Harrier
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 BBC Story of Pop
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 Boogie up the River
 10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY October 28th

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Review of CD's of the week
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 St. News
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert -The Orb
 7.30 News and Sports
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Eric Clapton Story Part 1
 8.30 Paths of Inspiration
 9.00 News desk from the BBC

9.40 FILM: BOILING POINT (1993.15)

11.00 IT'S ULRIKA!
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY

SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

10.45 JUSTINE & THE DEMON KICK
 11.00 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.25 BLUE PETER
 11.50 WISE UP
 12.20 SONGS OF PRAISE
 12.55 TWO FAT LADIES
 1.25 THE CHART SHOW
 2.15 BROOKSIDE
 3.25 AS TIME GOES BY
 3.55 HOLIDAY MEMORIES
 4.25 BROOKSIDE
 5.35 THE DAY THAT CHANGED MY LIFE
 6.05 IN THE WILD Cheetahs with Holly Hunter
 7.00 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.30 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT
 9.20 BORN TO RUN
 10.15 FRIENDS
 10.40 NETWORK FIRST For the love of Roy: Documentary. An account of entertainer Roy Castle's battle against lung cancer
 11.30 TOTP 2
 The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

.....AND OVER TO B.F.B.S.

SATURDAY

0000 News & Me Mark Page 0200 News & Eurozone 0400 News & Benny Brown 0600 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0830 News Magazine 0903 Sports n all 1100 Sport on 5 1400 News & Me Mark Page 1600 News & Benny Brown 1800 News 7 Eurozone with A Donovan 2000 News & Rockola 2200 Steve Mason

SUNDAY

0000 News & Weekend World - Jamie Gordon 0200 TNews 7 UK Music Week - Gary King 0400 News & Bob Harris 0700 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 0800 Steve McQueen 1003 UK Music Week 1200 Lunchtime Show 1400 News & Weekend Word - Jamie Gordon 1600 Bob Harris 1900 News & Weekend Gold - Dave Windsor 2100 News & Essential selection 2200 News & London Tonight

MONDAY

0000 London tonight continued 0100 News & Gold - Dave Windsor 0200 Today Programme - Radio 4 0400 News & Essential selection 0500 News & early breakfast from London 0600 The Breakfast Show Dusty Miller 0900 Dave Windsor-Gold 1000 News & FIBS Morning Show 1200 News 3" FIBS Announcements 1215 The Archers 1230 BFBS Reports 1300 Newsplus 1330 Sid Olivera 1603 Essential selection 1703 Connect UK - Andy Wright 1900 Evening show 2100 News & Rock Show 2300 News & London Tonight

TUESDAY

0000 London Tonight 0200 As Monday 0300 News & Gold Dave Windsor 0400 As Monday 1900 Evening show from MPA 2100 News & Rockola 2203 News & London Tonight

WEDNESDAY

0000 London tonight 0200 Today Programme - Radio 4 0300 News & Gold 0400 As Monday 1603 Essential Selection 1703 Connect UK with Andy Wright 1900 Steve McQueen 2100 News & Rodigans Rockers 2300 News & London Tonight

THURSDAY

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Argentina

Please note: The following extracts are translations.

Saturday 18th October 1997

CLARIN

LONDON WILL NOT NEGOTIATE

The British government said yesterday that it "will not modify" its refusal to resume negotiations concerning the sovereignty of the Falklands, in spite of the fact that President Clinton had called for this to happen, during his visit to Argentina.

Answering a query from the *Clarín* correspondent in London the Foreign Office in London said "relations with Argentina have increased (since 1989) under the umbrella formula," which froze the dispute concerning sovereignty when relations were re-established.

"We have made progress in commercial relations, fishing and oil (in the South Atlantic), but our position concerning sovereignty has not changed," added the spokesman.

Thus, the spokesman, responded to the statements made by President Clinton in favour of resuming negotiations. (ends)

Sunday 19th October 1997

CLARIN

A full page article wraps up Clinton's visit to Argentina, with a photograph of the two presidents on the golf course. The page includes a box referring to the Islands.

Shared sovereignty?

The episode took place on Thursday but only became known yesterday (Saturday) but it could be incorporated as an alternative in the diplomatic policy as far as recovering the Falklands are concerned. During the first meeting between Carlos Menem and Bill Clinton, the Argentine admitted, "we could look into the possibility of sharing the sovereignty of the Falklands with London."

That's what Foreign Minister Guido Di Tella, said yesterday (Saturday). Sitting in the comfortable lounge of the L'iao L'iao hotel in Bariloche, Di Tella said that during the meeting Menem said that, "shared sovereignty could be studied." "Di Tella also said that Clinton said he would be willing to mediate "if both countries request it."

The Falklands issue was present from the first to the last day of Clinton's visit to Argentina. During his speech yesterday (Saturday) Menem dedicated a paragraph to the problem saying, even though it had nothing whatsoever to do with the matter the two were supposedly focusing on yesterday:

the environment.

"I think it is the right time to tell President Clinton about the need to reach a solution to our differences. But, I have not requested his mediation, but, that he rectify the conclusions he had already reached "at the United Nations." (ends)

Blair has begun to use his political energy in reconstructing the deteriorated British relations with European countries and with the US, fruit of the declining Thatcher era.

His foreign policy does not contemplate, at the moment, plans concerning Latin America, unless they are those linked to business and the possibility of English investment in the region. The visit that Brazilian president, Fernando Cardoso, will make to London next year falls into this context.

The lack of foresight with this part of the world allows us to assume the non-existent changes which are deeply rooted in Great Britain: "If the Kelpers don't want it, there will be no change concerning Argentina," said a Foreign Office spokesman, as soon as he heard what Clinton had said and Argentina's enthusiasm.

The government, in spite of everything, keeps its hopes in a commitment beforehand and accomplished now with the Democrat leader. Clinton said something last week which was insinuated when Menem went through Washington: The designation of Argentina as an extra-NATO ally.

This is a status which only a handful of nations benefit from (Israel, Jordan, Egypt, Australia and New Zealand) and for it to take place only needs parliament to approve.

The Argentine diplomacy wants to link this news with the Falklands conflict: it speculates that such a naming will make Argentina a more trustworthy and foreseeable country on the international board. In synthesis, this could be another reason to put pressure on the British and soften up their lack of willingness each time they are urged to negotiate. (ends)

(NOTE: The author of this article is one of the men who wrote the book *The Secret Plot*. He, however in this column appears to contradict what all the papers - including *Clarín* - say about Clinton mediating in the Islands conflict. This is not an error in the translation. HB)

Saturday 19th October 1997

LA NACION

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which is relevant.

AMERICAN PRESIDENT'S VISIT

Di Tella said that the US will not mediate in the Falklands issue "It does not exist as an alternative" said the Foreign Minister: relations are "super-carnal."

San Carlos de Bariloche
by Pablo Costa

The Argentine Foreign Minister Guido Di Tella, said yesterday (Friday) that the possibility that the United States mediate between Argentina and Great Britain concerning the Falklands issue "does not exist as an alternative" and at the same time said the relations with the United Kingdom are "excellent".

"We didn't ask for it, it wasn't offered and we don't need them," said di Tella, referring to a possible mediation which had been suggested by Clinton to President Menem during one of their meetings in Government House.

"Only the advances in bilateral relations were mentioned," explained the official. According to di Tella, Clinton considered them "positive" and expressed his hope that they would, "continue advancing in the negotiations to discuss their problems in common." (ends)

Monday 20th October 1997

AMBITO FINANCIERO

The paper today carries a full page interview with President Carlos Menem, part of which refers to the Islands.

Menem: "I asked Clinton for his support concerning the Falklands."

Question: "What did you really say to the North American leader concerning the Falklands?"

Answer: "I asked President Clinton to speak to the English authorities so that we can resume negotiations concerning our relations over the Falklands, bearing in mind the United Nations Decolonisation Committee's resolutions. This is an important step, we have to be optimistic after so many years of usurpation (of the Islands) since 1833."

"What would you do if Argentine sovereignty was restored in the Malvinas?"

"We would respect the Malvinas inhabitant's rights and we would try and help them in everything they do - following our sovereignty - to develop the Islands, not just in our Falklands territory, but also in all the Continental waters." (ends)

Britain

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DEAD BODY

A Blackpool police dog handler is travelling 10,000 miles on the trail of a dead soldier.

Sergeant Mick Swindells flies to the Falkland Islands in January to try to find the body of Marine Alan Addis of Hull, who disappeared, believe murdered, in 1980, two years before the Falklands' conflict.

Sgt Swindells, who lives in Norbreck, is training police dog, Brook, a two-year-old border collie, to sniff out dead bodies both buried or underwater. The dog will be flown out with him and will remain there when Sgt Swindells returns.

Sgt Swindells said: "Marine Addis was only 19 when he disappeared. His job was to train the local militia in the use of firearms and defence tactics."

"All we know is that he went to a social club on a Friday night with some of his colleagues, and he was last seen leaving the club at about 11.30pm."

In 1995 officers from Devon and Cornwall Constabulary, the Falklands' sister force, arrested three people, but no charges were ever brought for lack of evidence.

Sgt Swindells, a member of the Forensic Search Advisory Group which includes scientists as well as police, went out to the Falklands last January to reconnoitre.

This time he will be accompanied not only by Brook but by radar technician John Hunter, from Birmingham University, who will use his skills to try to trace a body.

And a TV film team is also interested in following their search. "I have been in touch with Marine Addis's mother, Anne, who now lives in California," said Sgt Swindells. "She's kept up the pressure all these years, so that she can finally lay her son to rest."

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British press headline stories: October 20 - 23

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR MONDAY 20 OCTOBER 1997 EUROPEAN MONETARY UNION

The big story for most of the papers is the rejection by the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, Gordon Brown, of demands for an immediate statement about the Government's intentions over joining the proposed single European currency. *The Times* reports that Mr Brown was forced to try to calm stock markets, which it says are braced for a dramatic fall today. Monday, after his earlier indications that Britain would not join the single currency for at least five years. *The Daily Telegraph* says Mr Brown was struggling to restore his authority as Chancellor after failing to end the confusion over the Government's stance on the single currency. *The Guardian* describes it as 'the worst weekend for the Government since it came to power'. Several papers point out it is the tenth anniversary of Black Monday, when stock markets collapsed around the world. *The Sun* picks up the theme with its headline: 'Brown Monday'. *The Mirror* carries the headline 'Don't Panic'. It reports that Mr Brown and the Prime Minister, Tony Blair, intend to take Britain into the single currency by winning a referendum after the next General Election. *The Financial Times* says a rocky market with large volumes of share trading could test the Stock Exchange's new electronic trading system, which is launched today.

GYPSY ASYLUM SEEKERS
All papers carry prominent reports on the arrival in Britain from Slovakia and the Czech Republic of gypsies seeking political asylum. *The Sun* accuses the gypsies of 'flooding into Britain to milk our cushy benefits system'. The paper says it could cost taxpayers 20 million pounds (38 million dollars) in payments. *The Independent* carries a large front page photograph of a gypsy boy who arrived with his family and has been put into temporary accommodation. *The Times* reports that urgent talks are to be held with the Slovakian embassy, in an attempt to stem the flow of Eastern European gypsies.

ALGERIA
The Guardian carries a front page report by the first British journalist to visit the site in Algeria of the

massacre of 300 people last month. It quotes a man whose wife and children were killed as saying those who carried out the killings - presumed, says the report, to be Islamic militants - knew they would be unimpeded in their grisly handiwork. He said they stayed six hours, while the army sent tanks to the edge of the town and a helicopter circled overhead, and then they were able to escape across an open plain, with the same apparent ease with which they had entered the well-protected town.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR TUESDAY 21 OCTOBER 1997 EUROPEAN MONETARY UNION

Repeats news from yesterday but adds -
The Guardian says 'Finally, Brown says 'No' whereas the *Financial Times* writes of a continuing atmosphere of uncertainty, and sees signs of strain in the unity of the Labour Government over the issue. *The Times* focuses on assurances by the British Prime Minister, Tony Blair, to the visiting German Chancellor, Helmut Kohl, that Britain 'will not harm European monetary union' if other EU members go ahead without it. *The Telegraph* says the finance ministry and the Prime Minister's Office continues to signal that they would not scrap the pound in the lifetime of this Parliament.

GYPSY ASYLUM SEEKERS
The Times reports emergency measures being prepared to cope with what the paper calls 'a flood of Czech and Slovak gypsies' seeking political asylum in Britain in recent days. *The Times* says that until last month, asylum seekers would have been returned to the first 'safe' country they passed through before reaching Britain. But now, it says, under a new convention, non-EU asylum seekers can apply for asylum in the country in which they wish to live.

MAN CHARGED WITH RUSSEL MURDERS

The Express sums up the other main story with the headline: 'Josie - man accused of murdering her mum and sister, in an attempt to stem the flow of Eastern European gypsies. *The Sun* says that the horrific violence in the quiet Kent countryside shocked the nation and sparked one of the biggest manhunts in

modern police history. Josie has since recovered, and *The Guardian* reminds its readers that her teacher, Lynda Roberts, was voted Teacher of the Year for helping Josie to regain her speech.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR WEDNESDAY 22 OCTOBER 1997

**TORY PARTY MEETING IN
EASTBORNE**
Variety is the key-note in today's papers, with each choosing a different lead story. The only common denominator on the front pages is the special meeting in Eastbourne of Members of Parliament from the opposition Conservative Party - an event the papers note that was billed as 'a bonding session' to put behind them the Party's divisions and chart a new course after its election defeat in May. But the point made by the papers, backed by photographs of the leading participants, is that the Tories now face a gaping new split over style. *The Times* says that despite a decree by One Party Leader, William Hague, that the MPs should arrive in casual dress, they could not agree on a uniform line. The result, it says, was a riotous clash of sartorial cultures, as Savile Row suits competed with country tweeds and knitted creations.

EUROPEAN MONETARY UNION

The row over recent contradictory press leaks about the Government's likely policy on joining the single European currency continues to attract attention. In its lead story, *The Times* says that the Conservatives are calling for an investigation into the leaks, which they say might have created a false market, benefiting sales of Government bonds, while disadvantaging private firms and individuals. *The Sun* and *The Mail* report that the Prime Minister, Tony Blair has acted to end what they call 'the damaging fiasco'. They say he did this by sanctioning comments by a veteran Labour figure, Gerald Kaufman, who said ministerial aides should not give briefings to the press unless speaking with the full authority of No 10 Downing Street.

ASYLUM SEEKERS
The Mail devotes its front page to developments over the influx of Czech and Slovak gypsies seeking asylum in Britain. The paper says that with the numbers of would-be immigrants nearing 1,000, a British Government Minister went on television in the two countries to warn that Britain was not a soft touch for gypsies seeking an easy life. *The Mail* says that if the TV appeal does not work, the Government is considering the radical step of imposing visa restrictions on the two countries.

CAR POLLUTION BREAK- THROUGH

The Express leads on what its headline says is the wonder car that will save the world. It reports on the discovery by American scientists

of a way to convert petrol into electricity, cutting pollution caused by exhaust fumes. *The Express* says it is the biggest breakthrough since the invention of the internal combustion engine, and notes that it was achieved with the help of British engineers working in Cambridge.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR THURSDAY 23 OCTOBER 1997

LABOUR PARTY EU POLICY
Both the *Daily Telegraph* and *The Times* lead with a look at pressure faced by the British Prime Minister, Tony Blair, over different aspects of Britain's position in the European Union. *The Telegraph* says he is facing a mounting crisis of confidence after being booed and hissed on a visit to London's financial centre, because of uncertainty over whether, and when, his Government will take Britain into the planned single European currency. The paper sees a further challenge to Mr Blair's authority in the refusal of four Labour Members of the European Parliament to sign a new party code of conduct - and their subsequent suspension by Labour. *The Times*, in an editorial, says too many Labour MEPs are left-wing, disloyal and a bad advertisement for their party - but they do not deserve the treatment they are currently receiving. The paper declares the suspension bad for democracy.

GLOBAL WARMING

The Independent and *The Guardian* both lead with President Clinton's plan to reduce greenhouse emissions to their 1990 level by the year 2010. *The Independent* describes the move as too little, too late. It says the proposal leaves the US and the European Union, the two biggest players in the climate talks, poles apart and with little time to stitch together a compromise. *The Guardian* says the US has left the international treaty to curb global warming in tatters.

ELECTIONS IN ALGERIA

Several papers focus on the day's municipal elections in Algeria. *The Guardian* says they are supposed to repudiate the Islamist terror in the country, and help find a peaceful and democratic means of expression. But, *The Guardian* adds, for ordinary people the terror has never been more threatening. *The Times* says the veneer of democracy is but a thin one in Algeria's latest political charade. Rather than elections, the paper finds, it is more the slashed throats and severed heads of the victims of the war that have become an international symbol of the country's pained political contortions.

NEW ROYAL IMAGE FOR BRITISH COINS

The Express takes a look at a new portrait of The Queen which is to appear on British Coins. It says she is depicted as a jowly old woman with white hair and a double chin. *The Daily Mail* calls the portrait 'unnecessarily realistic'.



News from South America

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PUNTA ARENAS CELEBRATES AMIDST COMPLAINTS

The free shopping compound in Punta Arenas is celebrating its twentieth anniversary amidst claims from local residents that taxes have hampered the original idea of creating a development area for the Magallanes Region. "Present and announced additional taxes have eliminated most of the commercial attraction the compound had for local tradesmen and companies in the extreme south of Chile," said Francisco Karelovic, Manager of the Administrative Committee. Shopping in any of the businesses in the several acres of commercial compound of Punta Arenas originally meant buyers could save the national VAT rate of 18% plus the external tariff which twenty years ago was above 15%.

In 1983 the difference was considerably reduced when the Santiago authorities imposed 6%, then the advantages were reduced even further, and now investors in the compound are complaining that shopping in the area only represents a 12% difference.

"The compound is rapidly losing its attraction and this will become worse if the government decides to levy extra taxes for the coming national budget as it has been anticipated," stressed Karelovic.

BLACK BOXES OF CRASHED AIRCRAFT SENT TO US

The two black boxes containing valuable information of the last minutes of the Argentine aircraft which crashed in Uruguay killing all 74 people on board, were finally dug out from a seven metre crater and sent to the US.

The Austral DC9 en route from the north of Argentina to Buenos Aires on the night of Friday October 10, lost contact with air traffic control at 10.30 hours after the pilot signalled it was altering course to avoid a fierce thunderstorm.

Rescue teams located the wreck early Saturday morning, in a swampy area of a farm close to the city of Fray Bentos, 300 kilometres to the north of Montevideo, Uruguay's capital.

Investigators expect that the two black boxes which record speed and altitude data and the conversations between pilots and air

traffic controllers will shed light on the crash in which the jet nose-dived and smashed into countless pieces making it impossible to recover the victims remains.

The accident, the worst in Argentine and Uruguayan history killed 66 adult passengers, three babies and five crew members.

The flight recorders should help determine if the accident was caused by the storm which the pilot tried in vain to avoid, or by other technical and communications shortcomings between the several airports of the area as the pilots' union have suggested.

OIL SPILL IN TIERRA DEL FUEGO

The consequences to the soil of the recent oil spill in Tierra del Fuego could last between 50 and 60 years, according to a professor from the University of Magallanes.

The oil spill seven kilometres long and three metres wide, occurred last September when the 150 mile pipeline transporting oil from Cullen, in Tierra del Fuego, to Punta Arenas, was damaged and it took several hours for the Chilean government oil company's crew to repair it.

"Part of the oil evaporates but most remains and is absorbed by the peaty soil," indicated Orlando Dollenz who added that inappropriate containment techniques and recovery means the negative effects and toxic residue could remain for over half a century. "Unfortunately ENAP does not have the appropriate equipment for this type of emergency," warned Dollenz.

FLOODS LEAVE HUNDREDS OF HOMELESS IN BRAZIL

Hundreds of people have been left homeless in several states of the south of Brazil and in the north of neighbouring Uruguay as rivers overflowed with unexpected levels of rainfall for this time of the year.

In the state of Parana, 3600 people were evacuated from their homes two weeks ago after the River Iguazu burst its banks rising to more than 6.5 metres, double the normal. The swelling of the river has dramatically increased the volume of water in the world famous Iguazu Falls, one of the greatest tourist attractions located on the border of Brazil, Argentina and

Paraguay.

The Brazilian states of Santa Catarina, Rio Grande do Sul and the north of Uruguay have suffered torrential rains and even hailstorms over the last fifteen days. Farmers and villagers could be seen on the Brazilian television network wading through high waters trying to rescue personal belongings with the help of soldiers.

In Rio Grande do Sul, 41 counties have been declared in emergency after the violent storms blew roofs off, blocked roads and covered fields.

Further south, along the river in Uruguay, several counties have declared a state of alert fearing the river will burst and some of the dams have been forced to open gates in order to allow the water out.

In Sao Paulo meteorologists said it was all linked to El Niño which intensifies high altitude winds and brings humidity over from Peru on the Pacific to the heart of the continent.

DRY DOCKS IN RIO GALLEGOS

Officials from the federal government in Buenos Aires and the province of Santa Cruz inaugurated this week the first dry dock of Patagonia which is expected to service the 300 fishing vessels operating in South Atlantic waters and create 120 jobs.

The dry dock built next to the harbour of Rio Gallegos belongs to "Gypsy Traslado Maritimos" and demanded an investment of 22 million dollars, part of which was funded by the Santa Cruz government. "We have the capacity of repairing any of the vessels operating between Mar del Plata and Necochea, Puerto Madryn, Comodoro Rivadavia and Punta Quilla, as well as the 93 which are based in Puerto Deseado," explained Juan Torresin, one of the main shareholders of the company.

The dry dock which can hold simultaneously two forty metres long vessels, is fully booked until the end of next February.

In related affairs the government of the province of Chubut announced the construction of a dry dock in the port of Comodoro Rivadavia in eight acres of land gained from the sea with an initial investment of 10 million dollars. The works should be completed in 18 months time.

The Comodoro Rivadavia dry dock will have a special "Sincrolift" which can elevate 90 metres long vessels from the sea, and will also have the necessary equipment and technology to build 140 metres long vessels in two halves.

EL NIÑO ATTACKS RIO'S BEACHES

El Niño is also causing havoc in Rio de Janeiro where some of the city's most famous beaches have been washed away by unusually strong and high waves.

Whipped by El Niño for weeks,

the sandy shores are being torn away leaving nothing but bare rocks along parts of Copacabana and Leblon, the coast line which has made Rio one of Brazil's main tourist attractions.

"I've lived here forty years and spent much of that time on the beach but I've never seen anything like this," said an elderly resident as he pointed to the rocks jutting out besides the Copacabana promenade.

Brazilian scientists blame the disastrous beach erosion on the El Niño phenomenon, which has already brought Rio its hottest winter day in 75 years, when temperatures shot up to 42 degrees Celsius last September.

AIR TRAVEL BOOM IN CHILE

Domestic air travel in Chile increased 26.6% during the first eight months of '97 with Lan Chile and Ladeo taking the lion's share of the market, 42% and 32%. International flights also increased but at a slower rate, 17.7%, with Chilean airlines taking 38% of the passengers.

According to statistics released by the Chilean Civil Aviation Authority, between January and August of this year, 1,980,626 passengers were transported by local carriers as against 1,556,559 in the same period of 1996.

The report indicates that more competition, lower fares and new companies have helped to incentivise the Chilean air transport market. National Airlines, Avant Airlines, ALTA and Aerovias DAP are mentioned among the new companies.

But while National Airlines is firmly positioned as the third company in the Chilean domestic market, followed by Avant, according to the Civil Aviation authorities, during the January/August period Aerovias DAP suffered an important setback since its activity dropped 41% and now only holds 1.2% of the market.

As far as international travelling during the first eight months of 1997, a total of 1,883,383 passengers arrived or left Chile for overseas.

SOUTH AMERICAN WOOL
Brazil: This season's Brazilian wool production is estimated at around 15m Kg greasy - up 7.5% from the previous season.

Sheep population stands at around 5.25m head, 95% of which in the state of Rio Grande do Sul. Prices presently paid are (for greasy fleeces farm-gate) Corriedales 2.20/2.30 - Ideal (Polwarth) 2.30/2.70 and Merino 2.80/3.00

Argentina: FLA Argentine Wool Federations' latest export statistics for the first 3 months of the new clip 77/78 (Jul/Sept)

Totals shipped 11,903 T. Actual weight - 9876 clean tons - 17525T. Greasy Basis. For value of USD 46569M.

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THE SUN ISLANDS' DEFENCE SLASHED TO SAVE THE NHS

Defence of the Falkland Islands is being slashed to a record low to pay for more hospital beds.

Troops will be brought home. Anti-aircraft patrols will be cut and a round-the-clock alert for Tornado crews will be relaxed.

It will leave 1,350 soldiers guarding the South Atlantic territory - the fewest since the Argentine invasion in 1982.

Defence Secretary George Robertson must make huge savings after his budget was overspent by £170 million.

Ministers ordered the cuts to help raise £300 million for the crisis-hit NHS.

Backlash

But they wanted it kept secret, fearing it would send out wrong signals.

A defence source said: "It could give the impressions it is the start of a winding-up operation."

"That would lead to a backlash from Islanders, families of soldiers who died - and Argentinians."

Whitehall chiefs believe there is little threat of a new invasion and ordered Army top brass to reduce the £68 million-a-year cost of defending the Islands.

But a Falklands' government source said: "The threat from Argentina is still there and we need a strong garrison."

18th October 1997

THE TIMES CLINTON CALLS FOR RENEWAL OF NEGOTIA- TIONS ON FALKLANDS

President Clinton said during his three-day visit to Argentina that "two great nations" like Britain and Argentina should renew negotiations to resolve the dispute over sovereignty of the Falkland Islands.

Speaking during a telephone conference with members of the Argentine public on Thursday evening, Mr Clinton said: "Two great nations, who are at the height of economic recovery, showing great responsibility in international matters and working successfully to promote free trade, should solve their out-standing issue through negotiations."

After assurances that both Britain and Argentina were friends of America, he said: "We would say don't spoil something good that we share. Two countries with strong leadership have to try and resolve their problem. This should not be reason for war but for negotiations."

Mike Summers, a leading member of the Falkland Islands Council, said yesterday that Mr Clinton's remarks were predictable for an official visit. His remarks caused no concern in the Islands. "Mr Clinton has always rejected the suggestion that America could mediate unless both sides want that, and Britain has made clear that it does not welcome Ameri-

can intervention," he added.

Experts from Argentina and Britain met in July and last month for talks on underwater oil exploration in the joint-control zone between the islands and the mainland. A Falkland Islands government representative was at the London talks in September, and yesterday Phyllis Rendell, director of the Falklands oil department, said the talks had been practical and useful.

Mr Clinton's call to resume talks which broke down with the Falklands conflict in 1982 was made after he had held several hours of talks with President Menem in Buenos Aires. Señor Menem said he had not asked Mr Clinton to mediate on the sovereignty issue: the President's comments appear to have come after the Argentine leader had urged him to clarify his position.

Guido Di Tella, the Argentine Foreign Minister, said yesterday: "Argentina's aggressive demands are a thing of the past. There will never be war again. We value our improved relations with Britain above everything else and feel as we get closer we may eventually find an agreement on the Falklands."

Violent protests against the Clinton visit broke out in central Buenos Aires on Thursday night and led to the arrest of at least 200 protesters who had thrown petrol bombs at banks and shops.

18 October 1997

THE TIMES OIL AND TROUBLED WATERS

Prosperity and peace in the South Atlantic.

With studied impartiality, President Clinton said in Buenos Aires yesterday that Britain and Argentina - two nations which showed "great responsibility" in international matters - should solve their differences through negotiations. He was referring, of course, to the Falkland Islands, though he did not name them. And although he insisted the issue should be settled by negotiation, not war, neither his hosts nor Britain has taken offence - despite wry smiles in Whitehall at the parallels with comments about neighbourly relations made during another, less happily reported, state visit.

In both London and Port Stanley, President Clinton's words have been met with equanimity. They are seen as the inevitable minimum he was bound to say. It has long been made clear to Washington that mediation on the sovereignty of the Falklands is out of the question unless both sides agree. And Labour has renewed a promise to the Islanders that it will not enter talks without their consent. What is new, and more significant, is that President Menem appears to have changed tack. In the past, he has lost no opportunity to try to internationalise the dispute. This time, he was content with ritual expressions of concern.

Senor Menem's country now enjoys excellent relations with

Britain: trade is booming, investment is high, senior political and business delegations exchange regular visits. Guido di Tella, the Argentine Foreign Minister, is a frequent visitor to London and is scheduled to hold his second meeting with Robin Cook next month. Britain still maintains a formidable garrison on the Falklands. But there is a palpable relaxation of tension. The promise of oil in the stormy seas, bringing huge potential revenues to both Argentina and the Falklands, has been a spur to maturity. The Falkland Islands Government sends delegates to meetings in London and Buenos Aires to discuss the future exploitation of the seas between the islands and the mainland. These talks have been sober and businesslike.

No oil has yet been found in the South Atlantic, and the Falklands Government has repeatedly cautioned against exaggerated optimism. The first drilling rigs will not be in place before April and it will be another few months before the test wells yield any evidence. But already Argentina, Britain and the Falklands are looking at the consequences of a bonanza. It would change for ever not only the way of life on the sparse and wind-swept islands, but the whole tempo of development in the South Atlantic. Senior Menem knows that if his country is to reap the rewards of the fast-developing Mercosur common market in South America, attract outside investment and keep on track the economic and democratic changes that have been the welcome hallmark of his administration, he needs to lay aside for ever the threat of renewed hostilities over the Falkland Islands. For this, he does not need America. He needs to continue a policy of reconciliation and outreach to the islands, best demonstrated not in rhetoric about sovereignty but in pragmatic, day-to-day talks about sharing future prosperity. The islanders, for their part, have got over their fears that Labour would be soft on their defence. They too should be reassured by the moderate tones of Argentina's leaders.

20 October 1997

REUTERS

New seismic studies have given fresh indications that large quantities of oil may lie off the disputed Falkland Islands in the South Atlantic, geologists said Monday.

Surveys carried out recently by the four companies with licenses to begin exploration drilling next spring have increased optimism that commercially recoverable quantities of oil will be discovered.

"We now have a number of surveys, both gravity and magnetic, and they are all pointing toward there being some significant structures in the north Falklands Basin," Kevin Fielding, geologist with Amerada Hess, told Reuters.

Hess is one of 12 companies awarded a licence a year ago and as operator of Tranche A will drill the first well to the north of the Islands.

Anglo-Dutch Shell, British in-

dependent Lasso and International Petroleum Corp. of Canada have joined Hess in the Falklands Off-shore Sharing Agreement to share the costs of exploration drilling.

Hess has signed a three-year contract for the services of the Borgny Dolphin drilling rig, which is being upgraded in a Norwegian yard to work in deep water and should begin work in the South Atlantic in May.

"From the seismic data obtained we have seen some very exciting structures," said Andy Morrison, operations manager for Amerada Hess on the Falkland Islands.

Morrison said the group had asked Argentine companies to bid for contracts to service the Borgny Dolphin despite rules barring Argentine citizens from landing on the islands.

Britain fought a 10-week war to end a brief Argentine occupation of the islands in 1982. The two countries restored diplomatic relations in 1989 and six years later agreed on a framework for oil and gas exploration off the Falklands.

Phil Richards of British Geological Survey, consultants to the Falkland government, said the latest seismic data increased the chances of oil being discovered from one in twelve to one in eight.

WOOL MARKET REPORT 17 OCTOBER 1997

WOOL MARKETS From Falkland Wool Growers Ltd.

Prices for bulk main lines of wool remained nearly steady at auction in Australia with the Eastern Market Indicator shedding 9 cents on the week to close at 696 cents. This Indicator movement was influenced by slightly less demand for some 17.0 micron Merino wools, however the finest wool on sale of 14.4 microns was sold at 6200 Cents/Kg or about £28/Kg.

In New Zealand their Indicator closed 2 cents down at 457 cents/Kg. This masks a reported 3 per cent rise in 29 micron wool prices in two South Island auctions.

The Crossbred sector had a good week in Britain, with prices 5 per cent dearer than at the previous comparable sale on September 24. Demand was apparently motivated by exports to China.

CURRENCY MARKETS

The dollar currencies strengthened at about a cent against the pound on the week, assisting British exports and demand at the Bradford auction.

MANUFACTURERS

In the latest quarterly survey of 8000 companies, the British Chambers of Commerce confirmed the difficulties created over the period for Manufacturers by recent currency rates. Manufacturers of wool however report continued demand for their products particularly at the finer end of the wool market; possibly partly due to the smaller relative impact of currency on processing higher value wools.

Smith is six time champion

Victory Bar darts report.....by Patrick Watts

COLIN Smith won the Victory Bar knockout tournament for the sixth time (four wins in the three bars) when he allowed his opponent Lenny Ford just one solitary leg in the final to win by a 5-1 scoreline.

The champion played impressively all night and in his semi-final dropped only one leg when beating Graeme Hay 4-1. Lenny Ford caused something of an upset when he first beat his brother, Colin 'Tootie' Ford, and then, in the semi-finals, the highly ranked Gary Hewitt 4-2.

Although staged rather late in the season, the tournament, generously sponsored once again by Alistair and Cathy Jacobsen, produced some fine dart playing though the total number of maximum scores of 180 was less than expected.

In the final, the best of nine legs, Colin Smith raced quickly into a 3-0 lead, finishing leg one on double twenty after setting himself up with a 140, and then taking the second leg knocking in a 180 after opening with a 140. He went out on double twenty again. Leg number three saw the champion score 125 before finishing on six and double eighteen.

It looked like being a 5-0 white-wash, but Lennie Ford courageously fought back in leg four, scoring 100, 85, 100 and 140 before going out on double twenty, much to the delight of the rather sparse crowd.

But any thoughts Lennie may have had of making a remarkable comeback were quickly dashed as Colin Smith raced away to grab the



A jubilant Colin Smith lifts the Victory Bar Cup for record sixth time

fifth leg with a seven and double eight finish.

Only in the sixth, and what proved to be the final leg, did the champion stutter as he missed double eighteen and double nine before finally finding double four to take the championship and a handsome cheque.

On his way to the final Colin had beaten his brother, Russell, and Stuart Alazia, both by an emphatic 3-0. Earlier, Paul Phillips notched up scores of 180 but contrived to lose to Kenny McLeod. However, there was to be no repeat of a semi-final placing for the customs officer on this occasion.

Gary Hewitt took the prize for the best three dart checkout with his treble twenty, treble twenty and double twenty (160), a splendid finish.

quarter-finals. Margaret had, through her excellent season's performance, forced her way into the main event and claimed the scalp of Ali Jacobsen in round one before going out to Tony Courtney.

Julie Clarke, who has the distinction of being the youngest ever winner of the Ladies Rose Bowl in the Governor's Cup, being just sixteen when she was allowed to compete as an under-age player, played steadily throughout. Her victory over Cathy Jacobsen in the semi-final was particularly notable, and she went on to beat Ann Murphy in the quarter-finals.

Surprise semi-finalist was Hilary Miller, now working as a receptionist at the Malvina House Hotel. She beat Patricia Henry in the quarters before losing narrowly to Joan Middleton in the semi's.

Julie Clarke, in addition to winning the magnificent cup from the Victory Bar, also took the prize for the highest checkout (79) in the Ladies event.

THE first round of the 1997/98 Moto Cross season starts this Sunday at the Traveller's Rest course, located just off the MPA road. In action will be all the top Falklands' riders including Jomy Summers, Jan Clarke, Shane Blackley, Jay and Sean Moffat, Eddie Grimmer, young Clint Short and many more.

The course is currently being prepared and there should be some very exciting racing. Spectators are reminded that Moto Cross is a dangerous sport, so please keep well away from the racing. Practice starts at 10.00am, with the first heat under way at 11.00am. Photo J. Moffat



Photo J. Moffat

Penguin News report on the Internal Transport Review for the Falkland Islands Government

The future for roads

RECENTLY released for public perusal, the Internal Transport Review for the Falkland Islands Government commissioned from Mr Mike Summers, of M S Consulting and completed on June 28 of last year, has been for some time in the hands of FIG, and in that time has been examined by the Transport Advisory Committee, and approved by Executive Council.

The review examines air, sea and land transport and includes a summary of 'best methods of co-ordinating the three methods of transport for optimum benefit to the Islands', however, due to space limitations, Penguin News will this week report on the section pertaining to land transport only; sea and air sections will be examined in following issues.

Readers should note that the Transport Review is an extremely detailed report including a number of tabled road building schedules, details of recommended options, and supporting documents, which Penguin News have not attempted to reproduce.

In M S Consulting's recommendations, the author, Mike Summers notes that the basis of the Internal Transport Plan (land) is that there should be a system of spine roads between the principal settlements/ports, with link roads to outlying areas. Mike told Penguin News that the underlying philosophy of the original Transport Action Plan had always been to concentrate on constructing 'spine roads' (linking principal settlements/ports and designed to take expected levels of

traffic) however due to various factors, construction of link roads, particularly on the East (North Camp) began to overtake work on spine roads.

He recommends in his report, therefore, that spine roads should take priority over link roads, and that full terms of reference for the construction of them and their use be adopted immediately, but asks that it is reconsidered how priorities for link roads should be determined.

HR Shipping Services announce freight rates for 1997/98 wool season

HR Shipping Services is pleased to announce its freight rates for wool this coming season.

The company intends to continue with the previously established "Loyalty Rate" structure in that all farmers who shipped their

wool with HR Shipping Services during last season will qualify for the "Loyalty Rate."

There will be no minimum requirement per shipment and rates will be charged, as previously, per metric tonne.

Rate Structure

Loyalty Rate-		
Existing Customers:	Seafreight	£50.00 per metric tonne
	Delivery UK:	£33.00 per metric tonne
New Customers:		
	Seafreight,	£79.00 per metric tonne
	Delivery UK:	£38.00 per metric tonne

The rates are inclusive of: loading of wool into containers; shipment of wool from the Falkland Islands to the UK; discharge of wool at UK port; delivery of wool to Bradford UK; standard import customs clearance and bill of lading. Rates exclude: delivery from the farm and unloading in Stanley; insurance; any local taxes and dues and local customs examination.

Ruth Fowler of HR Shipping Services said that, "the sailing schedule (see below) for the coming northbound voyages should enable farmers to plan their shipments according to their wool contracts with space available every month on each northbound voyage."

For further information please contact

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HR Shipping Services 1997/1998 Preliminary Northbound Sailing Schedule			
Voyage	ETA Falkland Islands	ETD Falkland Islands	ETA UK
248	26.10.97	31.10.97	02.12.97
249	24.11.97	28.11.97	05.01.98
250	22.12.97	28.12.97	02.02.98
251	16.01.98	20.01.98	27.02.98
252	14.02.98	20.02.98	30.03.98
253	14.03.98	20.03.98	27.04.98
254	12.04.98	20.04.98	26.05.98



Above: North Camp Road construction

In response, the Transport Advisory Committee (TAC) suggest that a sub-committee comprising Hon S Halford, GM FIDC, Director of Civil Aviation and a representative from Byron Marine Ltd be established to determine the priorities for link road construction.

Link Roads

Mike adds that more resources would be required if the link road programme was to be completed to 'enhanced' expectations (within ten years). The Transport Advisory Committee also believe that greater allocation of resources would result in quicker completion thus the total cost would be greater if the programme was accelerated. A balance, they suggest, should be struck between the increase in costs and the additional utility of early completion.

On the subject of those areas of priority for link roads the report states, "we take as the highest priority those sites which have no infrastructural alternative (sea for freight, airstrip for passengers) and where the existing tracks are very poor." It is later added, however, that while the system of priorities which was agreed by Executive Council in 1994 was based only on considerations of supporting the existing sheep farming industry, tourism and other diversifications are now a sources of income for a number of farms and settlements, and are therefore factors which should be included in arguments for priority.

Copies of the report can be obtained from FIDC

Travel Advice (Uruguay)

IT has been advised by officials in Montevideo that visitors to that area should take particular caution against petty thieves in most parts of the city, but especially the old town and the port area. There have

been recently a number of muggings and robberies, some at gun or knife point, involving British and other foreign nationals in these areas. Visitors should be on guard at all times.

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Readers should note three small errors in the article entitled Stanley Talks Oil.

1. Geos is contracted by the oil companies not FIG to carry out a Metocean survey in the area of the northern tranches.
2. The Health and Safety legislation will become effective from January 1, 1998, not 1997.
3. Borgny Dolphin would, "probably begin drilling," in April/May 1998 not 1997.

Report on the Planning and Building Committee Meeting October 2 1997

by the Environmental Planning Officer

IN the absence of any Honourable Members to chair the meeting, Mr J Moffat was elected to act in that capacity by the other members who were present - namely Lewis Clifton, John Rowlands and Tim Miller.

Twenty four applications were on the agenda but of these five had to be deferred, mainly because insufficient information was available to enable members to reach a decision and one, relating to an appeal by Gerald Dixon on behalf of F.I.D.C. in respect of a proposed tourism and office development adjacent to the Public Jetty, had to be referred to Executive Council.

Another application by the F.I.D.C. for the provision of hardstanding areas for parking at Lookout Industrial Estate had been determined as development permitted under the General De-

velopment Order 1991 and was merely noted.

Permission was granted to Les Halliday for the erection of a house at 31 Ross Road East and to Ben Claxton for the roofing over of two Portakabins at Plot 1 Lookout Industrial Estate. KTV Ltd obtained permission for the siting of an equipment cabin, a 20 metre stayed mast and a parabolic dish antenna at Brisbane Road, and a proposal by Stanley Services Ltd for an extension to its warehouse at the Fuel Terminal was also looked at favourably.

Proposals by the Royal F.I. Police for the temporary siting of a Portakabin for use as a gymnasium and for permission to change the use of a workshop to a garage at the Police Headquarters were both approved. A building permit for the temporary siting of a Portakabin at the Police Headquar-

ters to serve as a prison workshop was also granted permission.

Neil McKay obtained permission for an extension to his conservatory at 62 Davis Street, as did Roy Davis for the building of a domestic garage at 6 Narrows Views and Malcolm Anthony for the construction of a porch at 14 Murray Heights Mobile Home Park.

Temporary permission only was granted to Mrs Shirley Peters for the siting of a Portakabin for use as a dwelling at 58 Davis Street, to Cable & Wireless for the temporary siting of a Portakabin at its Stores site at Gordon Lines and to the Falkland Islands Museum for the siting of a portable toilet unit at the Museum, Holdfast Road.

Renewals of permission for the siting of Portakabins for use as retail units at Plots 3 & 8, Lookout Industrial Estate were granted to

F.I.D.C. for a further period of two years.

However, permissions for the siting of a Portakabin at 4 Moody Street for use as a temporary office by Bob Fiddes and for the siting of another at 7 McKay Close for use as temporary accommodation during house building by Hector and Elizabeth Villalon were granted for a period of one year only.

Other matters discussed during the meeting included a report by the Building Advisor on new house building costs, the fence bordering the adventure playground at Snake Hill and the Seaman's Mission building at FIPASS Road.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled to be held in the Liberation Room on 6 November, commencing at 1.30 p.m.

Doctor on Horseback by Dr B (Tom) Hopwood... A true story of the Falkland Islands in the 1940's

Finished at Fox Bay and a journey to Monte'

Continued... QUITE suddenly our time in Fox Bay came to an end. Somewhat strangely I was relieved by someone I knew. David Arthur. He was the cousin of my constant companion in my early days as a medical student at St. Mary's, when we both lived in Ealing. Anywhere less like Ealing than Fox Bay it would be hard to imagine. We enjoyed a few days together handing over, since the *Fitzroy* was going round the Island and would return to Fox Bay before going back to Stanley.

David and Robina, his wife, had a very small baby and it was like looking back at ourselves and our own arrival in Fox Bay twenty months earlier. Such isolation for newly qualified doctors, such as we both were, though David had had much more experience in medical practice than I, should not have happened, even given that there had been a war on. I, professionally, lost almost three years, working almost entirely alone through a period which should have been the most intensive learning period of my career. It was true that I was, in a sense, self-selected, but I would lay odds that no record on my file drew attention to the fact that I did not really intend to choose the Falklands.

Bureaucracy cannot have a sense of humour and anything written down in a file is sacrosanct.

In spite of all that, neither Shirley nor I regretted our time in the Falklands or even Fox Bay. I learnt to be independent and was forced to be self-reliant and there's no doubt, looking back, that my early days turned me away from clinical medicine and made me a bit of a loner. My later experience in Uganda, where I was also professionally isolated, made matters worse - or perhaps it was better!

We left Fox Bay in April 1946.

almost two years to the day since we had left Liverpool. I don't think either of us was ever homesick. We were both only children and had both left our parents' homes years before we got married. So we were accustomed to rely on friendships we made as we went along, and very good friendships many turned out to be.

In Stanley, we went back to the same house we had lived in briefly before and tried to come to terms as quickly as we could with the social life we were obliged to enter. As newcomers to a limited social circle, we were in great demand. HE the Governor, Sir Alan Wolsey Cardinal, was still in Government House. He rang up the house one morning and spoke to Shirley, welcoming us back to Stanley.

"I am going to give a dinner party, I want you both to come. I have a very special treat. I have managed to get some green peas to go with the eternal mutton."

"Oh!" says Shirley. "How lovely. I haven't had a pea since we came to the Falklands." Then she stuttered a bit in confusion at the realisation of what she had said. She accepted the invitation, hoping that he had missed the *double entendre*. But he had not. After the soup, at the dinner party for twelve, serving from the end of the table, HE solemnly placed one pea on an empty plate and instructed his butler to put this in front of Mrs Hopwood. This was duly done.

The Governor grinned all over his face. "You can't say you haven't had a pea in the Falklands now, can you?" said he.

The work I had to do was quite different and naturally more interesting. Most of the time, I looked after all the out-patients and my boss, the new SMO, looked after the patients in the hospital. Just

before I arrived, we had had an anaesthetic death, so I was a little apprehensive to hear that two operations were awaiting my arrival. In the event, these passed off safely, certainly as far as the anaesthetic was concerned, thank goodness. Otherwise I was, in effect, the GP for Port Stanley and I enjoyed especially the opportunity to meet all sorts of people, although the total numbers at that time were only about 1400. These did not include members of the British armed forces. Since the war was over, the Army personnel were rapidly being repatriated. There were still Naval personnel because Stanley was a semi-permanent station and they ran, amongst other things, the Meteorological Station.

The Army had a Dental Surgeon, who was loaned part-time for civilian work at the hospital. This was Jimmy Tomlinson, who became Colonial Dental Surgeon after his discharge from the Army. He and his wife Winnie became our best friends and we spent most of our leisure hours together, either in our house or theirs. The level of friendship we achieved with the Tomlinsons, for our remaining time in Stanley, was never quite repeated anywhere else. Sadly, it did not survive for long. After we both left the Islands, we went abroad again and they stayed at home. Nevertheless, we kept contact for several years, but eventually distance and time took its toll and we never recaptured our care-free days in Stanley over the bridge table or Mah Jong.

At that time in Stanley, it was easy to make friends, since we all depended on each other for relaxation and recreation. We had no TV, no cinema, although the Town Hall (rebuilt by now) showed films occasionally.

The radio reception was poor and we seldom could listen to anything other than the news programmes. Occasionally we had visits from warships. I particularly remember one such visit from *HMS Uganda*, which was about to be decommissioned and become *HMCS Montreal*. She was about to join the Canadian Navy and actually had a Canadian Admiral on board who played a banjo-ukelele and sang what I think we called hillbilly music. Whatever it was, it was a great treat and we all enjoyed these visits enormously. This may have been a prophetic visit for, in a short time, we would find ourselves living in Uganda. I am not even sure whether I had ever heard of it before. I do remember looking it up in the Atlas to see exactly where it was.

One certain thing about Her Majesty's Overseas Civil Service, which was created just after the

war, was that constant change was the order of the day. Sir Alan's days as Governor came to an end quite soon after our return. He had pretty severe diabetes and at that time was really very ill. I was deputised to accompany him on the first leg of his journey home. So it came about that I was back on the *Fitzroy* in charge of the Governor as far as Montevideo. He was quite ill by then and spent most of his time in bed, but he continued to be a most entertaining companion. He was kind enough to take an interest in my future.

"Now, young fellow, you have started pretty well. It is always important to keep your name in front of the authorities. If you do everything by the book, keep your head down and never get mentioned, that is the surest way to oblivion. In the Navy, the best way to promotion is to keep on sinking your ship."

I had not realised, before, that he had a cynical turn of mind!

"That business of yours with the blankets, good idea, long drawn-out correspondence with the Colonial Office, just the thing. You won't come back to the Falklands, of course, but you never know what they might offer you at the end of your tour. There are lots of wonderful places to go and work."

I remembered his own days in the Gold Coast and the Cayman Islands and his early adventures as a reporter in Vancouver. He had been knighted when he was Administrator in the Cayman Islands, which didn't rate a Governor in those days. It was hard to realise that the Falklands had been a promotion. For years the Falklands was a consolation prize for the worthy but uninspired, its main importance being as a supply and communications point for the British possessions in Antarctica.

Then he said, "One thing you must never do, is work in South Africa. It is the most beautiful country but the Boers will take over the Government and there will be trouble. They will certainly leave the Commonwealth."

I had not at that time given my future much thought. I had no objectives, other than to learn and then earn sufficient to keep the family afloat. Nevertheless, I have never forgotten those conversations on the way to the River Plate. South Africa left the Commonwealth in 1961 and by then, its Government had committed the extreme folly of establishing Apartheid. So Sir Alan's remark was pretty far-sighted, since this was in 1946 and Apartheid did not start, at least officially, until 1948 or thereabouts.

To be continued

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are invited to fill a vacancy for a Clerk in the Education Office.

Principal duties involve reception work, typing and filing. Candidates should have word-processing skills and a polite and pleasant manner when dealing with the general public. Some previous clerical experience would be an advantage.

Salary will range between £8,964 and £11,208 per annum in Grade H depending on the qualifications and experience of the successful candidate. Actual hours of work are negotiable.

Interested persons should contact the Senior Clerk, Education Office on telephone number 27289 for further details. Application forms are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be sent to the Chairman Appointments Board, Secretariat by 4.00 pm on Tuesday 28th October 1997.

Tracy conquers Snakes & Ladders

Report on the race by.... Sara Allan

ON Sunday 19th October 24 runners gathered at Stanley Leisure Centre to take part in the Snakes & Ladders Race, organised by Stanley Running Club.

The race twists and turns up and down the streets of Stanley. Since the 'ups' include Snake Hill, Hebe Street and Dean Street this is not a race for the faint-hearted. Nevertheless, the atmosphere was that of a Fun Run as the runners limbered up at the start, on a beautiful, sunny morning. The smell of sunblock hung on the air while nervous runners anticipated the hills, the heat and the hard road ahead.

Fran Biggs juggled with both the starting whistle and the *Penguin News* camera, to start the race off. Cheers of encouragement from supporters mingled with cries of, 'I thought this was meant to be fun!' coming from the back of the pack as a group of swift men from M.P.A. sped into the lead.

Tracy Porter steadily picked her way through the field to finish strongly as first lady, while Sarah

Allan vowed to do some training before the next race, as she struggled in second.

David Fyfe was first local to finish in 15.29. Martin Barnes won the Under 16 years race, while young Andrew Normand showed his trademark determination to come second, ahead of another talented youngster. James Coe in third place.

The Under 16 year old girls were few in number, but raced well, with Alexandra Cartridge, entering her first race, coming in third place.

There was a disappointing lack of local entrants but hopefully more will enter the Moody Brook Challenge. This has been moved from Remembrance Sunday to the 16th November at 11.30a.m. It is a fast, flat race of approximately 6 miles and should attract many runners preparing for the Cape Pembroke Half Marathon on 7th December. (Entry forms for the Half Marathon are now available from Stanley Leisure Centre and from the Gymnasium at M.P.A.)



Simon scoops cup

NINETEEN members of Stanley Golf Club played for the *Merchant Providence Cup* on Sunday October 19, which was won by Simon Goodwin (pictured right) with Gary Clement second, followed by Robert Titterton (3rd). Nearest the pin at the 4th was Kevin Clapp and Graham France was nearest at the 17th.

The *Merchant Providence Cup* was one of the first cups presented to the Golf Club after its reopening in 1983/84. It is played for in the Club's first tournament and heralds the opening of the main playing season.

The cup was presented to the club by Laing-Mowlem-ARC JV (LMA) who were the consortium that constructed the main airfield, ancillary works and the Mount Pleasant to Stanley Road. The *Merchant Providence Cup* is named after the vessel *The Merchant Providence* which was moored in East Cove and acted as



a jetty head vessel; all the materials, fuel plant and personnel came ashore over this vessel as there were no docking facilities in East Cove at the time.

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

A PHOTOGRAPHIC Exhibition open to everyone, will be held in the Falkland Islands Community School on Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th October from 2.00 - 6.00pm.

A fine collection of photographs by local and visiting photographers of both Falklands and overseas subjects will be on display.

Entry is by the main school doors and there is no entrance fee. Catalogues will be on sale. Photographic Committee.



Above: Under 16 Girls. Claire Kilmartin, Alexandra Cartridge and Margaret Normand
Top right: Under 16 Boys. Martin Barnes, Andrew Normand and James Coe
Right: Michelle Jones, Sarah Allan, Tracy Porter, Mick Ford Jim Elmer and Mark Flint

Results of Snakes and Ladders Race:

1st Man - Mark Flint 14.17
2nd Man - Mick Ford 14.44
3rd Man - Jim Elmer 15.04

1st Woman - Tracy Porter 19.07
2nd Woman - Sarah Allan 23.05
3rd Woman - Michelle Jones 24.06

1st Boy U16 - Martin Barnes 19.36
2nd Boy U16 - Andrew Normand 23.52
3rd Boy U16 - James Coe 24.30

1st Girl U16 - Claire Kilmartin 25.56
2nd Girl U16 - Margaret Normand 25.56
3rd Girl U16 - Alexandra Cartridge 38.54

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

FORSALE

We have for sale one commercial type full length canopied sun bed. The sun bed is of the high power UVB type tubes, which are very reliable. The bed comes complete with some spare UVN Tubes, face (small tubes) and body (long tubes), plus other spares, capacitors etc incorporated into the frame is an hour meter. Asking price is £800 complete. For further details or to view contact Reflections.

1 Larder Fridge almost new & 2 Electric Cookers. Tel 21191

Two single beds with mattresses and headboards. Tel: 21040

Quantity of Shiplap timber cladding available. Phone 22684 days 21770 evenings

75 Christmas Lambs available from mid November. Further details phone/fax 42001

NOTICES

Stanley Running Club
Spring Race Programme
Provisional dates for races leading up to the ½ marathon:
16th Nov. Moody Brook Challenge
Training Schedule for ½ marathon:
Week 7
Fri. 24th - Run 5 miles
Sun. 26th - Jog 10 miles (slowly)
Tues 28th - jog 1 hour
Wed. 29th - run 5 miles (3rd mile fast)
Thurs. 30th - Jog 1 hour
Fri. 31st - run 7 miles

WANTED

Wanted to buy - 3 Piece Suite. In good condition Tel: 22450

Wanted - An address for 60 Plus Textiles
A whisk for a Kenwood Major model No. A907D
Contact 41006

WANTED - Suitable person with culinary skills to add new dimension to a small expanding business. For further information please apply to the Manager, Emma's Guest House, Phone No. 21056

Upland Goose eggs available
Contact 41006

Need an Electrician?
Call Graeme on 32555. All types of industrial and domestic installation and repairs. Qualified personnel. No. 1 Electrical (Falklands) Ltd. P.O. Box 643, Stanley, Fax: 32555

HR Shipping Services.
Important Notice: Changes to v250
Please be advised that we will be receiving cargo for Voyage 250 to the South Atlantic at: HR Shipping Services c/o 41 Shed, Dock Gate 4, Eastern Docks, Southampton. Cargo Receiving Dates: 05.11.97 to 19.11.97. Between 0800-1200 and 1300-1700 (1600 Fri). Loading will resume in Marchwood from v250. Please book all cargo with office at Redhill. Tel: 01737769055. Fax: 01737765916

NOTICES

The Jelly Tots Club will be holding another sale of childrens' used clothing in the Day Centre on Friday 24th October from 2 - 3 30pm. All donations gratefully received by committee members or bring on the day

From Ellen Davis
Phone/Fax 21791
Orders are now being taken for Christmas cakes and Christmas cooking

CAKE CREATIONS
I regret to inform my customers that I am unable to take any more cake orders before 7th January 1998 - except for my regular Christmas Cake Customers. Please order on or before 31st October Tel/Fax 32394. Thank you for your custom throughout 1997. Michele

Whist results for the 22nd Oct. Ladies: 1st Mrs D Clarke
2nd Mrs E Chapman
Booby Mrs M Humphreys
Gents: 1st M Murphy
2nd Mr Sharon Middleton
Booby C Clifton

To all Members of Falklands Conservation -
The AGM of Falklands Conservation will take place on 10th November 1997 at 7pm at the Junior School Hall.
At 8pm after the AGM members of the public will be welcome to attend a presentation by Robin Woods of some 60 slides of the endemic plants of Motley and Middle Island. Robin will also be discussing FC's plans for a possible management plan for both Motley and Middle Island

The Guide Association will be holding a Christmas Bazaar/Coffee morning on Saturday 29th November 1997, starting at 10.00am - 12.30. Our Fly Away Raffle will be drawn at approximately 12.30 on this day.

The Research Assistant to Councillors, Jenny Luxton will be pleased to retain in the office, a list of people who may feel they would like to be a member of a Committee. It is hoped that this may encourage some of the younger generation to have an input and take an interest in the running of these Committees. Anyone interested please contact Jenny by telephone on 27455 or Fax 27456

Councillor Sharon Halford will be pleased to see anyone on the following dates:
Wednesday 5th November
Thursday 13th November
Saturday 22nd November
Friday 28th November
Appointments can be made with Jenny Luxton at the Councillors' Office on Tel: 27455. It would be helpful if the subject to be discussed can be supplied

NOTICES

In an attempt to streamline our accounting procedures and make the system more user friendly the Department of Agriculture wishes to remind customers that we have introduced a system of cash payments for Veterinary services/drugs which will require payment at the time of consultation. Customers are requested to make sure they bring cash with them when they visit the surgery. Camp customers are also encouraged to send cash/cheques where possible with orders for drugs, laboratory tests, account books etc., however, in instances where this is not possible the usual billing system will still be used.

PERSONAL

Happy 11th birthday to Kim in Tibenham for 29th October. Have a great day
Love Katie

VACANCIES

Byron Marine Limited have an immediate vacancy for a warehouseman/handyman. The post requires a responsible person who is capable of dealing with the general public and who has organisational and administrative skills. For further details, please enquire at our office in Waverley House, or on telephone No 22245 during office hours

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS COMPANY LTD
The Falkland Islands Company Limited Port Services have a number of vacancies for Stevedores and Plant & Equipment Operators. Applicants should have an HGV Licence and be experienced in the operation of fork lift trucks. Applications should be made in writing to the Manager, Port Services, The Falkland Islands Company, Crozier Place, Stanley

SUPREME COURT OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS Notice under the Administration of Estates Ordinance (Cap. 1)

TAKE NOTICE THAT Edward Bernard Anderson deceased of Stanley, Falkland Islands died at K.E.M.H., Stanley, Falkland Islands on the 2nd day of October 1997 Intestate.

WHEREAS Amy Rose Pole-Evans daughter 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.

L A Titterington
Registrar
Supreme Court

Stanley
Falkland Islands
15 October 1997
Ref: PRO/10/1997

Falkland Islands Tours & Travel in association with Ben's Taxi's & the Fighting Pig Band are pleased to announce the introduction of a coach service for future Public Trough functions.

All ticket holders will no longer have the long wait outside the Pub for a Taxi. On the evening of a public Trough function a coach will depart from the "Globe Tavern" at 23.45. The cost will be £1.00 per person.

Ben's Taxi's will still however be available at the Trough for transport home as usual. For Private function bookings please contact either Leon on 21437 or Aaron on 21775

For spares and repair of washing machines, Hoovers, Fridges, Microwaves and Electric motors, call Neil on 21041

Postscript from The Cathedral

There's a verse in the Psalms that says, "How wonderful it is, how pleasant, for God's people to live together in harmony!" (*Psalms 133.1. TEV*). Last Sunday, people of all three churches went to the Cathedral for "Songs of Praise", a feast of music and hymn-singing, accompanied by the King's Division Normandy Band. The evening theme was "Knowing Christ", when church members spoke briefly about their faith. In his longest prayer, Jesus prays to God the Father for all Christians that "they may be one just as you and I are one" (*John 17.11*). He isn't praying for uniformity, of course not! He is speaking about a common unity and harmony that he wants all Christians to experience as they seek to place Jesus in first place in their lives. *A prayer: Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name, that we may be truly one and all the glory be given to You. Amen.*

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FCO visitor talks 'oil revenue' and 'special area' with councillors

HEAD of the South Atlantic and Antarctic Department (FCO) Mr John White has spent a week familiarising himself with the Falkland Islands, following his appointment to the post last July.

During a press conference with local media on Tuesday (28th) Mr White answered questions on a number of subjects including the Special Area of Cooperation.

Mr White said he had spoken with councillors about the recent intercessional negotiations which have been underway (on the environment, safety and legal procedures etc.) and the attempt to establish a licensing round.

"Due to the many complexities involved in reaching a point where all parties feel their interests are protected, and all legal eventualities covered, he confirmed that things were taking longer than expected." "A great deal of work has still to be done," he went on.

He explained that there was not one 'stumbling block' as such but it took time to harmonise those parts of British and Argentine legislation which needed it.

Mr White denied that his main reason for visiting was to raise once again the concept of an 'oil revenue formula' with councillors, but added



Above: Mr John White, Head of the South Atlantic Department, FCO

that they had had a 'very amicable discussion' on the subject, saying that it would also be a subject which would arise when the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr Tony Lloyd later visited the Islands.

Asked if he felt there had been any progress on the subject of the 'oil formula' desired by the British Government, he replied positively, saying he felt it qualified as progress that, "we understand each other's position very well now."

Asked if he foresaw pressure from the British Government on the Islands to allow an increase in

the number of Argentine next of kin visits over the summer, Mr White said that decisions regarding the regularity of next of kin visits was a matter entirely for the Islanders, not the FCO. He felt it was, "to the Islanders credit," that visits had been allowed, referring to it as a "very humanitarian gesture."

The Governor also added that apart from the visit in November, as yet there had actually been no other requests for visits over the summer from Argentina.

During his visit to the Islands, Mr White has fulfilled a packed schedule which has included visits to the Camp (East and West) meetings with councillors, the Oil Management Team, the Fisheries Department and members of the private sector fishing industry, plus further briefings on the socio-economic plan, oil and even min-

HMS Endurance to visit Buenos Aires

HMS ENDURANCE, the Royal Navy's sole Antarctic patrol ship, and the successor to the ship of the same name that played an important part in the 1982 conflict, is to visit Buenos Aires on November 17, reports Graham Bound for *Mercopress*. The courtesy visit, hosted principally by Argentine Navy's Antarctic Hydrographic Service will last for four days.

Among other activities, the crew of HMS Endurance will visit the frigate *Sarmiento* and Corvette *Uruguay*, both now museum ships, and the ice-breaker *Almirante Irizar*.

The visit by a British ship so symbolic of the British presence in the South Atlantic, says Graham, is just one sign of improving military relations. Earlier this month, the British Rear Admiral McNally spent some days in Buenos Aires, where he visited the naval bases at Puerto Belgrano and Mar del Plata, and gave a talk at the Escuela Superior de Guerra Naval. Further consolidating the improved relationship will be a round of formal military talks between representatives of both countries, due to take place in Buenos Aires from November 3 until November 5. The meetings have taken place on a regular basis since the renewal of diplomatic relations in 1990.

Meeting sparks lively debate

A WIDE variety of topics were raised at the first open public meeting of the new Administration held by four of the Stanley councillors at Gilbert House on Wednesday, October 29, among them immigration, vocational grants, off-street parking, roads and youth leisure.

Councillors Cheek, Halford, Clifton and Summers welcomed a good turn-out to the meeting and a lively debate ensued.

Barker's back

REGULAR visitor to the Islands, solicitor Alan Barker, is back again to stand in for Ledingham Chalmers' current incumbent, Andrew Hobson. Andrew, his wife, Lucy, and their two children are taking a break of several weeks in the UK.

Street near the Junior School came under fire with FIDF being criticised from the floor for the number of vehicles left there on an apparently long term basis.

There was a question concerning the non-receipt of pay for accredited certificates held by civil servants; another on the ludicrous complexity of the documentation required by government for small contract jobs; and comments made on the proposed road to the Cape Pembroke Lighthouse.

The four councillors were obviously pleased by the success of the debate and promised the issue of immigration would take priority on the agenda for the next meeting to be held at 5pm on Wednesday, November 12, in the Court and Council Chamber. (FIBS)

Hansen's horses here

This week: Local children enjoy the sight of Ian and Susie Hansen's recently arrived miniature horses





HAVING experienced serious doubts prior to the election about the speed at which the new council would bring about a change in Standing Orders to allow 'greater freedom of expression' for civil servants, as promised, it was sincerely pleasing to hear in the Governor's ExCo summary that the issue had not only been treated as a priority, but resolved in what appears to be a satisfactory compromise. And, while there are probably some in the upper echelons of FIG who may feel that to allow such freedom might give free rein to some form of anarchy, they should bear in mind that to impart to employees the message that they are regarded as responsible beings, capable, as the Governor put it, "of applying common sense to their own position," is a message more likely to achieve positive results than negative. The former wholesale ban on the civil servant's "right to engage in a personal attack publicly on any other civil servant or any member of Executive or Legislative Council" (quote, ExCo summary this week) not only, as we know, kept silent an unacceptably high proportion of Islanders, but also questioned those same employees' abilities to judge a situation responsibly and respond similarly.

(It is perhaps also worth noting that the easy use of the negative, and defensive phrase, 'personal attack', as opposed to 'the right to criticise' appears to illustrate the paranoia which has been prevalent among some members of the establishment).

WE are often asked at *Penguin News* why we have a policy of not publishing anonymous letters (the present policy allows the withholding of name and address if requested by the writer, but that information must be made available to the Editor). The answer is, that for some time we have followed the policy of the former Editor, John Fowler, who, I understand, took up the policy as a result of problems caused by a specific letter, combined with a belief that anonymous letters encourage an unnecessary feeling that there are some things individuals do not have the right to comment on, or complain about. (Apologies to John if I have mis-remembered his reasoning).

Much as I also tend to lean towards this belief (and also the fact that it is more convenient for ourselves if names are available, in that it provides editorial staff with the option of contacting letter-writers if it is felt necessary e.g. if phrases are considered libellous) recent input on the subject from members of the public suggests that many readers feel differently. With this thought in mind, we invite further comment from readers on the subject. Do readers feel anonymous letters should be published (providing they contribute to a constructive debate) or should the present policy remain?

Your letters

Chief Executive responds to readers' letters

I CANNOT leave unanswered the four questions posed by Eric Goss and the comments made by Sharon Marsh in the *Penguin News* on 24 October.

1. The short track from the Darwin Road to the Argentine cemetery has got worse and worse over the years, to the point where it was becoming more or less impassable. The last party of Argentine relatives who came to visit the cemetery actually had the greatest difficulty getting to it.

Whether we like having Argentine soldiers buried in the Islands or not, the presence of the war cemetery imposes on us at least a moral responsibility to maintain the access track in reasonable repair. The cemetery is visited not just by parties of Argentine next of kin every now and then, but frequently by members of H M Forces and other visitors to the Islands. A bad approach road will inevitably reflect badly on us as a government and as a community.

Thus, Councillors decided during Budget Select Committee to do something about the track, though not as the highest priority. However, with another visit by Argentine relatives due in November, H E The Governor asked if the track could be made passable sooner rather than later, and I issued an instruction accordingly. This will cause a slight delay in the work on the North Camp track, but I hope Islanders will understand the reason.

2. To answer Eric Goss' second point, 18 October was indeed the estimate for when we would programme the start of production at Pony's Pass Quarry. It was a tight estimate designed to stretch all those involved and as such it was not "promised," it was a date to aim at. Due to circumstances well beyond local control there have been some minor delays but the quarry is about to become operational within the next fortnight.

3. Tenders for the building of the road from Darwin to North Arm are likely to be issued within a month. The tender period will probably be two months, therefore the decision on the contractor is likely to be around the beginning of February. The commencement of the contract is subject to negotiation, and the Public Works Department is well aware of the recommendations that exist with regard to timing.

4. The renovation of Bodie Creek Bridge was approved by Budget Select Committee, on which Eric sat, as being in Category two in terms of priority. To be even more specific, there were ten other Category two items approved as being in front of the bridge. The PWD are working through the schedule in the designated priority and there is as yet no firm start date for work on Bodie Creek Bridge.

Andrew Gurr
Chief Executive

Animal Welfare Codes apply to all

I AM writing in reply to Glenda Watson's letter, *Penguin News*, Friday 24th October, regarding the Animal Welfare Codes. I can assure her that any Animal Welfare Codes that are ultimately passed by Government will apply to all, including the Department of Agriculture. In addition I should like to take this opportunity to point out that these Codes are not a 'magic formula' that will automatically secure for farm livestock a totally

welfare friendly existence. They are simply a written statement of what is considered to be good and acceptable welfare practice and will hopefully encourage all farmers to give due consideration to animal welfare in all their farming practices. I would expect farmers and the Department of Agriculture to be already applying all or most of the Code provisions.

Andrew Coe
Senior Veterinary Officer

JOAN Bound recently received a letter and official receipt from Miss Kim Clipshan, organiser of the *Hip and Knee Walk* in aid of orthopaedic research. Miss Clipshan said they were extremely grateful for the £215 from the Falkland Islands, and that at the time of writing, £40,000 had been raised. She went on to say that if a prize for a donation from the furthest point had been awarded then we would have won it. Joan wishes to thank all who supported the stall in the foyer of the West Store.

Write to Penguin News, Ross Road, Stanley, Falkland Islands

Plan did not appeal

I REFER to the letter in the October 24, 1997, edition of the *Penguin News* from Mr Gerald Dixon.

Firstly I apologise for incorrectly spelling Mr Dixon's surname.

Secondly, I draw Mr Dixon's attention to the word "architect", which means, "one who designs buildings or succeeds in bringing about a design" ... NOT a planning representative.

Thirdly, I would now expect Mr Dixon to respond in a similar fashion after he has absorbed the following facts:

1. The original planning application submitted, "that ruffled my feathers", was Application number 8/97P, which was published in a January 1997 edition of the *Penguin News* and read:

"Outline application for construction of tourist related development comprising shops and offices at GROUND LEVEL, with FIRST FLOOR accommodation

for Fisheries and Customs Departments, including THIRD FLOOR HARBOUR OBSERVATION ROOM".

My letter objecting to this farce was dated February 1, 1997.

2. In answer to your remark on the submitter of the appeal I draw your attention to the lower section of page eight, in the same edition of *Penguin News* as your letter, which clearly states, "an appeal by GERALD DIXON on behalf of F.I.D.C."

3. No sir, the invitation for responses to the appeal were to be directed to the Executive Council, but I took the liberty of sending a copy to the *Penguin News*, aimed at drawing Islanders' attention to the "shady ideas" being put forward.

B Peck
Stanley

(Not a scholar or politician, just an observing, residing 'Kelper').

Thanks for everything

MARILYN and Sharon hope everyone enjoyed the "Proms" with the King's Division Normandy Band and Miss Margaret Probyn.

This concert was possible thanks to Mrs BB Campbell and Squadron Leader Steve Isaac, who worked on the project for several months and co-ordinated the Stanley events.

They would like to thank everyone who bought tickets, made donations and entered into the spirit of the occasion on the night. Particular thanks must go to Alan Jones and Graham Didlick for organising the staging and PA system; Alison Hewitt for the refreshments and helpful ideas; Paul,

Jason, Wayne and Kenneth for looking after the balloons and decorations and for clearing up the next morning.

A total of £777.66 was raised from this event which will be shared between the Community Trust and FIODA Theatre 2000.

We would also like to thank the Tabernacle Council for the use of their church to allow the Band to play to the Old Age Pensioners on Sunday, October 19. Thanks, too, to Jackie Earnshaw, Mike Mitchellmore and Gladys Lee for their help on the day.

Marilyn Hall
Sharon Middleton



Three Sea Cadet recruits recently broke all kinds of records by successfully completing a six week course in just days. The three; Cadets Elaina Lenny, Aaron Irwin and Andrew Jarvis; were under pressure to pass out in time for the visit of the UK Inspection Team (Lt Cdr Black RN, Lt Cdr Blaker RNR, Capt Weobley RM and Lt Brazier RNR). Badges presented by the visiting team included Seamanship, Long Service & Good Conduct and First Aid.

Keen kids impress Coach Cooil

SPORTING links between the Falklands and the rest of the world took yet another step forward this week with the visit of top swimming coach, Steve Cooil, to the Islands.

Steve, 49, combines his job as an 'A' level teacher of Computer Science in Castletown, Isle of Man, with his swimming interests and also a third role as Secretary to the Island Games Association, a position he had held since 1992.

Born in the Isle of Man Steve moved to Derbyshire as a boy and studied Sports Science at Loughborough College before returning to the Isle of Man as an adult to teach the same subject at schools in the capital, Douglas.

In his early thirties he went

ing session.

He is very up-beat about the Falklands, in particular praising the enthusiastic and cooperative attitude of the young swimmers. "The facilities here are terrific," he says. "I am surprised that so few people use the pool but I'm impressed by the kids who are so eager to learn."

He feels the main objective of his visit is to move swimming, as a sport in the Falklands, forward. "The situation here is established," he says. "Now we are ready for progression."

He advocates the development of a five year plan for swimming starting with looking at where we want to be and then looking at what steps will be necessary to get there.



Steve Cooil and HE, the Governor at a reception for the IOM coach back to university (the University of Kent in Canterbury) to take a one year Masters in Computer Science, the subject he now teaches.

Steve's credentials as a swimming coach are impeccable. As the Isle of Man National Swimming Coach he trained young swimmers to gold medal standard in the World masters in Rio de Janeiro; the Isle of Man relay team, coached by him, reached the final of a Commonwealth Games event; and his own children, Marcus and Leonie, have between them taken many medals in the biennial Island Games.

To complete the family involvement in the sport Steve's wife, Carrie, succeeded him as National Coach when he took on the duties of Secretary to the Island Games Association.

The position is no sinecure. Steve spends four hours each weekday evening, plus ten hours a weekend, (a total of thirty hours a week) on Island Games business.

During his visit Steve has been working with what he calls the 'elite squad', as well as other squads ranging right down to juniors and has even run a course for swimming teachers and helpers, with particular emphasis on techniques, safety and principles of training. Part of this course involved demonstrating how to work with up to 30 swimmers in the pool and still achieve a valuable train-

"We might be examining the need for a budget, for example, to provide an ASA coach by the year 2001, and for the events it is decided our swimmers will enter."

With competition so difficult to arrange and attend from the Islands he felt motivation was a subject that should be addressed as a matter of priority and in new and imaginative ways. Setting goals, the imposition of targets and regular awards for reaching them. He also suggested 'pairing' local swimmers with swimmers elsewhere (perhaps in the Isle of Man) of comparable current ability so their times could be looked at in a competitive way on a regular basis.

He talked too of promotional planning - preparation of documentation to allow for sponsorship: of raising the profile of the sport of swimming in the Islands, getting results published in the media and of holding monthly gatherings to discuss subjects like diet, physiology, advances in training methods etc. "Training," he stressed, "must be fun, particularly here where there is so little competition."

He expressed his gratitude to the people of the Islands who have made him so welcome and said the Shackleton Scholarship Fund (which paid for his travel costs) was an excellent idea. "Government," he said, "deserve a pat on the back."

Stanley Garden Centre

Just arrived on the Anne Boye and opening over the next few days.

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Penguin News report on the Internal Transport Review for the Falkland Islands Government

Aviation .. the future

RECENTLY released for public perusal, the Internal Transport Review for the Falkland Islands Government commissioned from Mr Mike Summers, of M S Consulting and completed on June 28 of last year, has been for some time in the hands of FIG, and in that time has been examined by the Transport Advisory Committee, and approved by Executive Council.

The review examines air, sea and land transport and includes a summary of 'best methods of co-ordinating the three methods of transport for optimum benefit to the Islands.' Last week Penguin News reported on the section pertaining to land transport - this week we look at aviation.

IN a search of more cost-effective operations for the Falkland Islands Government Air service, Mike Summers, in his report makes the important assumption that 'there is no wish by FIG to reduce the level of service in the pursuit of greater efficiency.' As a result he examines an option which (combined with the establishment of road networks and good all-weather airstrips) would encourage customers to use particular airstrips on particular days, instead of FIGAS 'necessarily flying to all corners of the Islands every day.'

To achieve this, and for it to be of benefit to customer and air service, he suggests an 'application of differential tariffs.. for instance if it cost £35 to fly to/from Port Howard, Pebble, Saunders and Hill Cove on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday, but £45 on other days, there would be a greater tendency for passengers to group on those days. Similarly Fox Bay, Weddell and Port Stephens might

have the discounted fare on a Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.'

(FIGAS Manager, Vernon Steen, told Penguin News on October 27, that proposals with regard to tariffs and weekly use of strips had been put forward, and were being discussed, but would not disclose details because he did not want to pre-empt final decisions.)

In support of this option, Mike recommends an alternative well-drained airstrip on Sea Lion (note the report was written last year and work on Sealion Island was coincidental to his recommendations) a new airstrip be constructed at Port Howard, Fox Bay be closely monitored and covered if necessary, and consideration be given to maintaining a good quality strip at Douglas

The report goes on to look at 'peak demand', noting, 'Like most major activities in the Falklands FIGAS must set its physical and human resources to meet peak de-



An Islander aircraft leaves the all-weather airstrip at Sealion Island

mand and maintain un-utilised resources during the low season. In terms of passenger activity there is very substantially more movement during the Spring/Summer than the Autumn/Winter seasons.' This trend is explained as being created by most classes of non-business travel, but most particularly by Stanley residents - presumably going to Camp for leisure purposes - and overseas tourists.

There is no ready solution to this seasonality, says the report, other than flying longer hours in the peak periods and bringing locum pilots to supplement where necessary. Locum pilots particularly can take up the summer fisheries duties leaving the regular experienced pilots to fly the passenger flights. As a result, it is recommended in the Transport Review that both FIGAS and Civil Aviation have in hand plans for revised shift patterns for pilots, engineers and airport staff to cope with longer flying hours in the peak summer months. Increased use of locum

pilots and engineers may be necessary.'

On the matter of airframes, the report recommends that 'although it is not considered appropriate at present for alternative airframes to be introduced, engineering capability on Twin Otters should be obtained if possible, and the introduction of a rotary wing aircraft made as soon as economically viable.' The Transport Advisory Committee, however, did not support obtaining engineering capability on Twin Otters, 'until such time as those aircraft are included in the FIGAS fleet.'

Recommendations were also made by the report with regard to capital cost (£13,615 funding planned for the next ten years) but the TAC felt such a cost was conservative, and should be treated with caution. The report also recommended there should be closer co-ordination between the TAC and other transport-oriented committees.

Report obtainable from FIDC

WestlandsHus

Quality, low energy houses made in Norway



Mr. Harry Burt, Managing Director of WestlandsHus UK, will be visiting the Falklands between the 22nd and 26th November. Anyone wishing to meet Harry to find out more about WestlandsHus, should contact Mrs. Jo Morrison at LMW (BM) Ltd. on 22640 to make an appointment. WestlandsHus are manufacturers of luxury, made-to-measure houses at the top end of the housing market.

Ian Cox visit to 'buoyant' Stanley

BACK in the Islands this week for a brief visit is former Development Corporation Assistant General Manager, Ian Cox.

Ian left that job, and the Falklands, in June 1994, at the end of his contract, to become the first Commercial Representative for the Falkland Islands Government Office in London.

Now, in this non-political role, though he works closely with FIGO Representative, Sukey Cameron, Ian has wide ranging responsibilities, many of which have a direct impact on the commercial affairs of the Islands. Chief among these is the promotion of Falkland Islands products: tourism, meat, fish, wool, woollen products; to markets in the United Kingdom, Europe, indeed world-wide.

He also provides a much needed information service to the Chamber of Commerce and private enterprise in the Islands, as well as research facilities for the Development Corporation. As an example of this he quotes a recent exercise in which he had to investigate the



Above: Ian Cox, Commercial Representative in London

sourcing of modular buildings for the Corporation.

It doesn't end there either. There are labyrinthine regulations governing trade in the European Union: regulations the Falklands have to comply with if we wish to sell our goods in their market places. Ian is the man who liaises with Brussels in the continuing negotiations to have the Islands established as an exporter to the European community.

Yet another aspect of Ian's job is concerned with the emerging prospect of oil. He has been involved in organising exhibitions, producing literature, and generally ensuring the right information reaches all parties.

And then there is the Internet: a project Ian has been closely as-

sociated with. There are three websites involved: the Falkland Islands Government information site, the Tourism site and the Corporation's own site. All these sites, Ian says, are cross-linked into other websites of appropriate interest. The prospects opened up by this technological revolution obviously intrigue Ian. "There is so much more opportunity to disseminate information to a much wider audience," he says, and then qualifies his enthusiasm with a note of wry caution. "I sometimes wonder how we would cope if we suddenly had thousands of requests for more information!"

Though this is not Ian's first return trip to the Islands (he was last here in March 1996) he is struck by how much Stanley has

grown and by what he calls the new, "buoyancy and tremendous activity of the place."

Ian now lives in North Suffolk and commutes to London three days out of five, a round trip of some five hours. His wife, Penny, who many will remember from their time in Stanley, is now Secretary of the UK end of the Shackleton Scholarship Fund, thus, in different ways, the couple have both maintained their close links with the Islands.

Home at last

THE ashes of a retired naval officer who served as a meteorologist in Stanley almost fifty years ago are soon to be scattered on Mount William in accordance with his recorded wishes.

In a remarkable demonstration of affection for the Islands he left in the 1940's Dr David Lawrence Niddrie made clear, before his death on August 24 this year, his desire for his remains to be brought to the Falklands.

Dr Niddrie was born in South Africa in 1917 and was stationed, as an officer in the Royal Navy, in Stanley during the war years. In 1966 he and his wife moved to America where he became a professor emeritus of geography at the University of Florida. His wife, Mary, died last year aged 89.

General Purposes Committee

The first meeting of the General Purposes Committee was chaired by Councillor John Birmingham. Here he summarises what took place.

ALL members of the new Council met at Gilbert House on Wednesday, October 22, for their first meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

We started at 8.00am and finished at 7pm, and on a personal note, I have to say how pleased I am that councillors have agreed, in future, to allow a full day for these meetings.

Most of the morning session was taken up with bringing all councillors up to date with previous GPC and Executive Council matters, and at 11.00am we visited the Oil Department for a general briefing on oil matters from the Director of Oil, Mrs Rendell.

We had several visitors during the day; the Chief Executive attended in the morning with Mrs Lidda Luxton to brief councillors on Mrs Luxton's recent consultancy which was to produce a management report on the KEMH.

In the afternoon Mr Ian Cox, the FIGO Commercial Representative, attended. Mr Cox explained his role and the activities he had been involved in over the last year. He gave a progress report on several matters. These were:

a. Abattoir
The contract for this is progressing and has been signed at this end. The tender dossier will be produced at the end of December/early January, then the tender process will begin.

b. Internet
Mr Cox is establishing and setting up the website but a lot of training is still needed here in the Islands. FIDC are hoping to bring someone down to the Islands to conduct training sessions.

c. Tourism bookings are up for this coming season. At the moment Mr Cox is looking into the Eastern Bloc market.

Mr Gordon Forbes and Mr Ron Young gave a presentation on progress of the East Stanley Development.

Councillor Summers will be attending the CPA Westminster Seminar to be held from March 3-14, 1998. Councillors Edwards and Clifton will be submitting items for a CPA Working Party on 'Rediscovering The CPA - Towards The 21st Century'.

We discussed the forthcoming visit of a group of MP's, who will be accompanied by the FIGO Rep-

resentative and Susan Eastoe from Profile.

The Committees list was finalised and councillors hope that members of the public will add their names to the register of committee members being established in the councillor's office.

It was agreed all councillors would be briefed, prior to the start of the Standing Finance Committee meeting, on Executive Council decisions made the previous day.

The meeting was advised that comments regarding sovereignty from the Prime Minister had been firmly denied by the FCO.

Concern was expressed about road safety and parking, and the Environmental Planning Officer is in the process of producing a traffic circulation plan.

It was agreed that a public reception could be held on November 7 in the Town Hall from 6.00pm to 7.30pm, in recognition of our local sports men and women.

The next meeting of the General Purposes Committee will be held on Wednesday, November 19, 1997.

NOTICE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

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

Reference No Applicant Development

118/97/BP	Mr P Hutton	Raising peat shed roof, re-roofing and re-cladding for use as a garage at 3 John Street, Stanley.
119/97/BP	Mr & Mrs J P Teggart	Change of use of peat shed to domestic garage and workshop at 9 Callaghan Road, Stanley.
120/97/BP	Mr K Duncan	Siting of a Portakabin for use as a dwelling unit at 54 Davis Street, Stanley.
121/97/P	Stanley Arms Limited	Outline application for the conversion of building into a super market at the Old Transmitting Station, Airport Road, Stanley.
122/97/P	Stanley Arms Limited	Outline application for the construction of a supermarket at the Old Transmitting Station, Airport Road, Stanley.
123/97/BP	Mrs E Jaffray	Resiting of Portakabin and re-roofing with a dual-pitched roof for use as domestic store at dwelling west of Cemetery Cottage, Snake Hill, Stanley.
124/97/BP	F.I.G.	Construction of permanent hard-surfaced car park with pedestrian access to Allardyce Street at the KEMH Temporary car park on St Mary's Walk, Stanley.
78/97/DP	Miss Sally Robertson	Erection of two-storey dwelling at John Street, Stanley (for the approval of detailed plans following the grant of outline planning permission).
125/97/BP	Mr K & Mr I Berntsen	Erection of dwelling at 1 Race course Road East, Stanley.
126/97/P	F.I.D.C.	Temporary siting of a container for storage at Globe Office Car Park, Philomel Store, Stanley.
127/97/P	Mr A Latorre	Outline application for retail outlet and warehouse facilities at Lot 13, Murray Heights.
72/97/DP	F.I.D.C.	Erection of Office Building at Site 2, Hillside Camp, Davis Street East, Stanley.
128/97/BP	Mr D Hawksworth	Toilet compartment for customer use at The Woodbine Takeaway, 29 Fitzroy Road, Stanley.
129/97/P	F.I.D.C.	Outline application for visitor centre & related tourist facilities, office building, single residential flat and parking facilities on land adjoining the Public Jetty, Ross Road/Philomel Street, Stanley.
130/97/BP	Mr M Wallace	Erection of dual-pitched roof on Wyseplan Unit at 23 Callaghan Road, Stanley.
131/97/BP	Mr M Wallace	Extension to dwelling at 23 Callaghan Road, Stanley.
132/97/BP	Mr J Newell	Replacement of Nissen hut with domestic garage and garden shed at 3 Villiers Street, Stanley.
133/97/P	SFS Limited	Outline application for alterations and extensions to existing residential accommodation to form a self-contained flat and provide seasonal accommodation for stevedores and seamen at Admiralty Cottage, 2 John Biscoe Road, Stanley.

These applications may be inspected during normal office hours at the office of the Secretary of the Planning and Building Committee, Environmental Planning Office, Malvina House Gardens, Stanley. Comments on the applications should be made in writing and should be sent to the Environmental Planning Officer, Environmental Planning Office, PO Box 611, Stanley, within 10 days of the date of this notice. The next Planning and Building Committee is due to be held on 6 November 1997 in the Liberation Room, Secretariat commencing at 1.30pm. Members of the Public may attend to observe the workings of the Committee.

Blithe Spirit still spritely



THE LATEST offering from Stanley's indefatigable amateur dramatists, Noel Coward's *Blithe Spirit*, is one of those delightfully written, light-hearted plays which take a potentially gloom-ridden subject (in this case the misogynistic nightmare of two wives returning from 'the other side' to haunt the husband they had both married) and makes of it a frothy comedy sparkling with slick conversation, one-liners like verbal stiletos and adroit asides just as penetrating. As a period piece (circa 1940's Britain) in which Coward masterfully blended wit with spiritualism, *Blithe Spirit* is a demanding mistress, both for the cast (the intensity of the intricate dialogue) and the requirement to reconstruct the chintzily comfortable atmosphere maintained at all costs by the upper middle classes through the austerity of the war years.

By contrast the plot is singularly undemanding. Charles Condomine (Sid Olivera perhaps surprisingly well-cast and suavely confident in his first acting role) is a novelist intent on writing a book involving the occult. He hires a medium, Madame Arcati, (all enthusiasm and multi-colour clothing in a gloriously over the top performance by another FIODA newcomer, Megan Egging) to hold a seance in the interests of research. The result is what the marvellously eccentric Madame Arcati calls, "the ectoplasmic manifestation, a veritable triumph, my dear..." of Condomine's first wife, Elvira. (Gail Spooner) who died seven years earlier as the result of, what else, a laughing fit.

Condomine is understandably knocked sideways by this development, but nevertheless engages Elvira in a conversation which becomes increasingly complex, and for the audience amusing, as they realise that Ruth, Condomine's second wife of five years standing, cannot see or hear Elvira and is therefore privy only to what her husband is saying.

Elvira, realising this, goads her ex-husband into shouting at her thus causing strife between Condomine and his present wife as she assumes that he is shouting at her, that he is going mad, and/or that he has been drinking too much brandy. The row that ensues between Ruth (Anna Robson) and Condomine is vastly satisfying for Elvira, and allows Edith, the maid, (Rene Rowlands) to indulge her eager disapproval of all things alcoholic.

Eventually it emerges that Elvira has really returned from the grave to murder Condomine so that he can join her in Eternity, and 'fixes' his car accordingly. (The script neatly avoids having to explain how an 'ectoplasmic manifestation' can manipulate something as heavy as a spanner by ignoring the question altogether). Unfortunately, her plan disintegrates when, instead of Condomine, it is Ruth who dies and joins Elvira in Limbo.

Haunted now by both his former wives Condomine becomes desperate. He recalls Madame Arcati who divines that to manifest itself in the real world a spirit has to have a con-

duit, a living person who consciously or sub-consciously summons it. A process of elimination reveals the culprit as Edith who is mesmerised by Arcati and, in a state of trance, banishes both spirits.

Condomine, with a notable lack of grief for either Ruth or Elvira, packs his things and declares he is off to sunnier climes, and perhaps other women, for a while. Amid flying cushions, falling curtains and moving bookcases courtesy of the infuriated (and now invisible) ghosts, he dons coat, hat and scarf and departs chuckling at their inability to get back at him.

This was a bold and challenging project for the FIODA group, particularly so in the cavernous space of the Town Hall when the drawing room ambience of the play demands, really, a more intimate theatre. Having said that there was precious little else to complain of in this competently staged production. The set was, as has become customary for FIODA in latter-day productions, spot-on, complete for the period right down to the cushioned sofa, french windows and, best of all, the huge and horrible black telephone.

The cast coped with the difficult, voluminous script valiantly even if the prompt was, on occasion, as busy in the wings as the cast were on-stage.

Sid Olivera was rarely off-stage and was, for the most part, the calm eye around which the hurricane raged. Noel Coward he ain't, but then Coward was for the forties and Sid is for now, and all the more convincing for that. And I just loved the flowered dressing gown and cravat.

Anna Robson's Ruth was a nicely understated counterpoint to Gail Spooner's more exotic and flamboyant Elvira, while it would be difficult to see how Keith Biles and Jennifer Jones in their supporting roles as the Doctor and his advice-giving wife could have been bettered.

Rene Rowlands (incidentally, the only surviving member of the 1967 production of the same play in which she took the role of the Doctor's wife) tutted and disapproved convincingly as Edith the maid, and Megan Egging did magnificent, fluttering, flouncing justice to Coward's archetypal eccentric English lady.

Meticulously produced by Helen Blades and directed with flair and a real feel for the comic by Fraser Wallace, *Blithe Spirit* was a comfortably enjoyable visit to an era few can still remember. All in all a worthy reprise of an old and enduring favourite.



Top: Condomine (Sid Olivera in that dressing gown) pleads with second wife, Ruth, (Anna Robson) to believe that Elvira really has returned. Above: While waiting for Madame Arcati to arrive Charles and Ruth discuss the coming seance with Dr and Mrs Bradman. Below: Madame Arcati (Megan Egging) presides as the seance begins in the Condomine's drawing room.



Top: The Backroom boys (and girl) between acts. Above: Madame Arcati rests after 'ectoplasmically manifesting' Elvira who chats pleasantly to Condomine despite her ghoulish countenance. Below: Madame Arcati and Condomine attempt to mesmerise Edith. Bottom: The two spirits are reincarnated once more to take their final bow along with the rest of the cast. Note Madame Arcati's ensemble which included bright blue stockings! Below left: Elvira drapes herself elegantly over the wind-up gramophone.



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CHURCHSERVICES

CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY: 8am Holy Communion, 10am Family Communion (first Sunday every month - Family Service) 7pm Evening Prayer

TABERNACLE - free church

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm.
ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm Minister: Mike Mitchelmore 21787

St. MARY'S

SUNDAY: 10am (MPA 6.30pm).
Week days: 9am; Sat also 5pm

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

SUN: 8am Holy Communion; 10.30am Eucharist/Morning worship; 6.30pm Holy Mass;
MON: 6.30am Mass
WED: 7.30pm Holy communion; 8pm Bible Study Tel: 74350

BAHA'IFAITH

For information on meetings please ring Tel: 21957 (evenings)

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:							
Fox Bay +2hr 30m	02	0104	0.6	WED			
Roy Cove +4 hrs 30m	SUN	0711	1.6	05	0242	0.6	
Port Howard +3hrs 19m		1326	0.3		0855	1.5	
Teal Inlet +3hrs 30m		1957	1.5		1523	0.4	
Sea Lion Is. +1hr 15m		Sunrise0511			2213	1.3	
Port Stephens +3hrs 15m	03	0133	0.6		Sunrise0506		
Hill Cove +4hrs	MON	0741	1.6		Sunset 2006		
Berkeley Sound +1hr 11m		1400	0.3	THURS			
Port San Carlos + 2hr 55m		2036	1.4		0323	0.7	
Darwin Harbour +56m		Sunrise0510			1941	1.5	
		Sunset 2003			1616	0.4	
					2315	1.2	
					Sunrise0504		
					Sunset 2008		
					0415	0.8	
					FRI	1043	1.4
						1722	0.5
						0023	1.2
						Sunrise0503	
						Sunset 2009	

LIBRARY

Monday - Friday
08.45am - 12 noon and
1.30pm-5.45pm
Saturday: 10am - 12 noon
2pm-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 Liz Burnett, Tel: 21770 or Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

SQUASH CLUB

Thursdays 5-9pm

Contact Dik Sawle Tel 21414

NETBALL CLUB

Tuesdays 6-8pm

Wednesday 6-7pm All are welcome

Contact Sarah Allan 22119

THE FI GUN CLUB

New members welcome Contact Ped Tel: 21663

or Graham Didlick 21622 P.O. Box 540

F.I. RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Contact Secretary G' Cheek, 21402

STANLEY GOLF CLUB

Competitions on Sunday at 8.45 am. Contact Mike Summers on tel: 21542

FI MOTORCYCLE ASSOC.

All queries & information on races etc contact Andrew Newman

21606 or Rowena Summers 21015

YMCA

Accommodation available

Contact Terry Peck 21074

ASTHMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets second Tuesday of every third month in Day Centre at 5pm

Contact Graham France on 21624

FALKLAND ISLANDS RED CROSS ASSOCIATION

New members welcome. Contact Secretary Irene Baker 20839 or Chairman Nick Hadden, 21014

GUILD OF SPINNERS, WEAVERS & HANDICRAFTS

Meetings on Wednesday evening at 7.30pm

Contact Marj McPhee, tel: 21106

CANCER SUPPORT & AWARE-

NESS TRUST Contact Shiralee Collins, 21597, Sister Bridie 22086, Derek Howatt 21385

FIODA Actors/singers/stagehands

contact Alan 21019

DIABETIC ASSOCIATION

Meets first Thursday of every month. 7.30pm in the Day Centre

STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB

Contact D. Humphreys Tel. 22028

Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm, Fridays 4-5

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB

Contact David McLeod Phone: 20836 (day), 20843 (home)

RUNNING CLUB

Meets Wednesday 5.30pm, contact Tracy Porter 21574

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Meets 1st Monday every month @ 2000 hrs, WOJ&Sgt Mess, Hillside Camp. All ex or serving Service persons welcome. Contact A Geach, R Fiddes or KD Greenland for info 21454 or 27222.

F.I. WESTERN LINE DANCE CLUB: Meets DrillHall (All welcome) - Mon: 7pm. Contact Tricia Hanlon 21406

STANLEY SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

Friday 7-9pm Sundays 4-5pm. Contact Angela Lee on 21762 or M. Humphreys on 22028

JELLY TOTS CLUB

meets Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays at the Day Centre from 2.30 - 4pm. All welcome

WELL BABY/CHILD CLINIC

Day Centre KEMH Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am. Contact Miranda Check Health Visitor 27418

Leisure Centre Term Times - Further information/Bookings: tel 27291

Day	Pool			Courts
Monday	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming	12.00 - 1.00	Public
	5.00 - 7.00	Public	5.00 - 9.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults		
Tuesday	9.30 - 10.30	Public	9.30-10.30	Public
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming	12.00 - 1.00	Public
	5.00 - 7.00	Public	5.00 - 9.00	Public
Wednesday	7.00 - 8.00			
	10.30 - 12.00	Hospital/OAP's	12.00 - 1.00	Public
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming	5.00 - 9.00	Public
Thursday	5.00 - 7.00	Public		
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults		
	5.00-7.00	Public	10.30-12.00	Parent/Toddlers 0-7 Yrs
Friday	7.00 - 9.00	Private Hire	12.00-1.00	Public
			5.00-9.00	Public
Saturday	10.00 - 11.30	Parents/Toddlers	12.00-1.00	Public
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming	5.00 - 9.00	Public
	5.00-7.00	Public		
Sunday	7.00 - 8.00	Adults		
	8.00 - 9.00	Private Hire		
	10.00 - 4.00	Public	10.00-6.00	Public
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults		

Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

9.15 LITTLE MOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE
 9.35 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 10.05 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES
 10.30 LIVE AND KICKING
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Snooker - the first of nine days play in the Grand Prix from Bournemouth; Bowls, the penultimate day's play in the BUPA Care Homes Open; Athletics from Edinburgh; Football Focus; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.25 TOP OF THE POPS
 6.55 BULLY SURVIVAL GUIDE
 7.05 WHEEL OF FORTUNE (New)
 7.30 DAD (New) Comedy about a father and son starring George Cole and Kevin McNally
 8.00 NOEL'S HOUSEPARTY (New)
 8.50 CASUALTY A 13-year old boy working in a clothing sweatshop poses a challenge for the A & E team when he punctures a lung after falling on a spike
 9.40 FILM: BOILING POINT (1993.15) Thriller starring Wesley Snipes and Dennis Hopper. When his partner is killed in an undercover operation, Treasury agent Jimmy Mercer vows to take revenge
 11.00 IT'S ULRICA!
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY There are two of the day's key matches in the FA Carling Premiership, plus a round-up of all the day's goals, news and talking points

SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

10.45 JUSTINE AND THE DEMON KICK
 11.00 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.25 BLUE PETER
 11.50 WISE UP
 12.20 SONGS OF PRAISE
 12.55 TWO FAT LADIES
 1.25 THE CHART SHOW
 2.15 BROOKSIDE Elaine is close to breaking under the strain
 3.25 AS TIME GOES BY
 3.55 HOLIDAY MEMORIES
 4.25 BROOKSIDE Ron's health is under pressure from the Bar
 5.40 THE DAY THAT CHANGED MY LIFE
 6.05 IN THE WILD Cheetahs with Holly Hunter
 7.00 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.30 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT A woman is plagued by a mystery stalker
 9.20 BORN TO RUN Burke tries to swoop on Lili's assets at Fitch Motors - but she hits back where it hurts him the most
 10.15 FRIENDS: US comedy series
 10.40 NETWORK FIRST For The Love of Roy: An account of entertainer Roy Castle's battle against lung cancer
 11.30 TOTP 2 Hits from Top of the Pops archives, plus today's hits

MONDAY 3RD NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 BOOK BOX 10.15 NUMBERTIME 10.30
 GOOD HEALTH 10.45 TOTS TV
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Toadie begs for forgiveness from Lou
 2.30 GARDEN PARTY
 2.55 TRACKS
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
 4.00 POSTMAN PAT (New)
 4.20 CARTOON CRITTERS
 4.40 FUN HOUSE (New)
 5.10 RECORD BREAKERS (New)
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Justine is furious when Danny gets hauled in by the police
 5.55 TOP GEAR
 6.25 MASTERMIND
 6.55 CORONATION STREET The Platt's are in for a surprise at Don's funeral
 7.45 THE BILL Lucky Day: Lines has a lot to prove when going undercover to track an upmarket car thief
 8.10 CLIVE JAMES ON TV
 8.35 PILGRIMS REST Tilly discovers some of Bob's old school essays, which to everyone's surprise are rather good
 9.05 SOLDIER, SOLDIER The boys persuade Butcher to invest in a greyhound
 10.00 CLIVE ANDERSON ALL TALK
 10.35 FILM '97
 11.05 CHILDREN IN NEED
 11.15 SOMETHING STRANGE
 11.40 FOOTBALL LEAGUE REVIEW

TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS: 10.00 FOURWAYS FARM 10.10 STORYTIME
 10.25 ZIGZAG 10.45 SNUG & COZI
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS First love blossoms for Toadie, and Debbie can see only good in Wayne
 2.30 KEN HOM'S HOT WOK
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: JAY'S WORLD
 4.00 NAME THAT TOON
 4.25 IT'S A MYSTERY
 4.45 BLUE PETER

5.15 AGENT Z AND THE PENGUIN FROM MARS (Repeat)

5.40 HOME AND AWAY Sally is kicked out of the casino
 6.00 A QUESTION OF SPORT
 6.30 EMMERDALE Chris has a deal for Kelly to replace the money she stole
 6.55 SCENE HERE Presented by Lucy Jackson
 7.25 EASTENDERS While the Jacksons anxiously await news of Billy's safety, Carol is determined to carry on as normal
 7.55 PAUL MERTON IN GALTON AND SIMPSONS' COMEDY PLAYHOUSE
 8.20 PRESTON FRONT Eric and Dawn's wedding proves to be a lively affair
 9.00 MATCH OF THE DAY Strasbourg v Liverpool
 10.55 BULLY Documentary
 11.35 OASIS: MAD FOR IT (New)
 12.00 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 STAGE ONE 10.15 TELETUBBIES 10.40
 SCHOOLS AT WORK 10.45 TOTS TV
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Debbie owes Darren an apology
 2.30 THE AIR SHOW Today a look at aviation
 3.00 THE CLOTHES SHOW
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: THE ADVENTURES OF DAWDLE
 4.00 RUGRATS
 4.25 ANIMAL ARK
 4.50 IT'LL NEVER WORK
 5.15 THE SCOOP
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Marilyn is convinced that Donald does not really want a baby
 6.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
 6.30 EMMERDALE Andy is left to fend for himself in a cold caravan
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Percy decides a change is needed
 7.45 THE BILL For Richer For Poorer: When a man is reported missing by his mother and then his wife, Garfield and Quinnan think they know what's going on
 8.10 DRIVING SCHOOL
 8.40 FRIENDS US sitcom
 9.05 PEAK PRACTICE A surprise party for Erica's 30th birthday goes wrong for Andrew who finds himself involved in a road traffic accident
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 FILM: WISH YOU WERE HERE (1987.15)
 12.00 SUNNYSIDE FARM
 12.30 DROP THE DEAD DONKEY
 12.55 UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE HIGHLIGHTS P.S.V. Eindhoven v Newcastle United

THURSDAY 6TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 MEGAMATHS 10.20 LANDMARKS 10.40
 SCHOOLS AT WORK 10.45 THE RIDDLERS
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Toadie sharpens up his image to impress Rebecca, and Ruth is concerned about Ben's intentions towards Anne
 2.30 VISIONS OF SNOWDONIA
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 4.00 SOOTY AND CO
 4.25 GET YOUR OWN BACK
 4.50 BLUE PETER
 5.15 THE O-ZONE
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Ailsa warns Alf to change his ways or fatty foods will kill him
 6.05 EMMERDALE Pollard gets into a pickle with Longman
 6.55 ANIMAL HOSPITAL
 7.25 EASTENDERS The Jackson family finally get the news they have been waiting for
 7.55 TIGER BAY Charlie is delighted when Kim offers to babysit, but Helen is concerned
 8.25 DARK SKIES (New) Feature-length pilot for a new US sci-fi series set in the Sixties
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 THE PROVOS
 11.25 GOOD STUFF COMEDY
 11.50 THE CHAIR Psychologist Oliver James talks to David Icke

FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 EUREKA! 10.15 STOP, LOOK, LISTEN 10.30 STAGE
 TWO SCIENCE 10.45 POTAMUS PARK
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Sarah stands up for her rights
 2.30 AN INSPECTOR CALLS
 2.55 COMEDY CLASSIC: DAD'S ARMY
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: MOOMIN
 4.15 BANANAMAN
 4.20 TRANSYLVANIA PET SHOP
 4.45 MR WYMI
 5.00 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
 5.10 KNIGHT SCHOOL
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Lachie wants to stop anything happening between himself and Chloe before it starts
 6.00 CRIMELINE
 6.10 THE O-ZONE
 6.25 THE WHITBREAD: THE WORLD'S GREATEST OCEAN RACE

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6.55 SCENE HERE

7.25 EASTENDERS It's an important day for the Jackson family as they make far-reaching decisions about their future
 7.55 PIE IN THE SKY
 8.45 MICHAEL BARRYMORE'S STRIKE IT RICH (New)
 9.10 THE BROKER'S MAN
 10.00 GAYLE'S WORLD
 10.25 FAMILY MONEY Fran struggles to remember the events of the night she was witness to murder
 11.15 TFI FRIDAY

SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

9.15 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 9.40 ART ATTACK (New)
 10.00 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES
 10.30 LIVE AND KICKING
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Snooker - the penultimate day's play in the Grand Prix from the Bournemouth International Centre; Racing from Newbury, the next instalment of the BOA Olympic magazine series
 6.25 TOP OF THE POPS
 6.55 BULLY
 7.05 WHEEL OF FORTUNE
 7.30 DAD
 8.00 NOEL'S HOUSEPARTY
 8.50 CASUALTY
 9.40 HAVE I GOT NEW FOR YOU (New)
 10.10 TOUCHING EVIL (New)
 11.05 POND LIFE (Repeat)

11.20 CRIME LINE (Repeat)
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY

SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

10.45 DEAR MR BARKER (New)
 11.00 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.25 BLUE PETER
 11.50 WISE UP
 12.20 SONGS OF PRAISE
 12.55 TWO FAT LADIES
 1.25 THE CHART SHOW
 2.05 TRAVEL SHOW ESSENTIAL GUIDES
 2.15 BROOKSIDE
 3.25 SELECTION BOXES
 4.00 HOLIDAY MEMORIES
 4.30 CARTOON TIME
 4.40 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
 5.10 FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP Arsenal v Aston Villa
 7.00 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.30 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT
 9.20 BORN TO RUN
 10.20 FRIENDS
 10.45 CRIME LINE (Repeat)
 10.55 SECRET HISTORY The Tragedy of HMS Glorious
 11.45 TOTP 2
 The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY November 1

6.00 News BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.30 News and Sport from five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Mr Lucky
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 The Italian Renaissance
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY November 2

5.00 News: BFBS
 5.03 Music fill
 5.15 Dessert Island Discs
 6.00 Music Fill
 6.30 Weather, Flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service-Cathedral
 8.00 Sports Roundup
 8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didlick
 8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.00 News Desk
 9.30 The Old Curiosity Shop
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

MONDAY November 3

10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS

12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The Late Afternoon Show
 6.00 Country Crossroads
 6.30 The Grumbleweeds
 7.00 Hoplite to Harrier
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 BBC Story of Pop
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 Boogie up the River
 10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY November 4

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Review of CD's of the week
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 St. News
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert - Gabrielle
 7.30 News and Sports
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Eric Clapton Story Part 2
 8.30 Paths of Inspiration
 9.00 News desk from the BBC

9.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 9.30 Repeat News Magazine
 10.00 News BFBS
WEDNESDAY November 5
 10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 B.F.B.S Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Late Afternoon Show
 5.45 The Folk Show Rpt
 6.30 Just a minute
 7.00 Schubert's winter journey
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Classics Hour
 9.00 News Desk from BBC
 9.28 Rpt, weather & flights
 9.30 So much blood Pt 2
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News from BFBS

THURSDAY November 6

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Annos
 B.F.B.S Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Music Fill
 5.30 On Stage: Joe Longthorne
 6.30 Memories are made of this - with Tony Burnett
 7.30 News and Sport

7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Pot Luck with Myriam
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt weather and Flights
 9.30 Cont. with Pot Luck
 10.00 News BFBS
FRIDAY November 7
 10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Announcements, BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The late afternoon show
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 The late afternoon show - cont
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 Classic in Concert: Elton John
 7.30 Five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights Annos
 8.00 Announcers half hour
 8.30 Country Crossroads
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 News Magazine rpt.
 10.00 News B.F.B.S.

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SATURDAY

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THE TIMES

Falklands talks

A letter From Sir David Scott

Sir, President Clinton's suggestion in Buenos Aires that Britain and Argentines should resume talks on the Falkland Islands (report and leading article, October 18) calls to mind the last occasion on which the two countries had face-to-face discussions on the islands' future and indeed reached agreement on the first steps towards what we sincerely hoped would contribute to a final settlement.

In 1971 and 1972 I led a team from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office to the islands and to Buenos Aires to investigate, in full co-operation with the Islands Council, how closer relations between the Falklands and Argentina could be developed.

In November 1972 we signed a Communications Agreement between Britain and Argentina, under which the Argentine Government undertook to provide *inter alia* the construction of a temporary airstrip at Port Stanley, the provision of an air services, between Port Stanley and Comodoro Rivadavia and hospital facilities in Argentina for cases of serious illness, together with subsidised secondary education for the islands' children.

In exchange Argentina secured the right of entry for her citizens to the Islands and a general relaxation of the trading and other restrictions which had existed up to that time. On balance the agreement was greatly to the islanders' advantage.

The object was not merely to secure a generous package, but to convince the islanders that we were not, as they had earlier accused Lord Chalfont, in the process of "selling them down the River Plate". I believed that a long-term solution of the vital question of sovereignty would have to depend on the agreement holding for a minimum of 25 years, during which a generation of islanders would have grown up who had been to school in Argentina and who hopefully no longer regarded the Argentinians primarily as predators.

Unfortunately, ten years later the Argentine Government invaded the Islands, thereby shattering for at least a further generation the islanders' hard-won confidence that they could be trusted as good neighbours. Sadly, discussions in Buenos Aires, at however high a level are still unlikely to restore any such confidence unless the islanders can somehow be once again

involved in the process.

Yours sincerely,
DAVID SCOTT,
Wayside, Moushill Lane,
Milford, Godalming,
Surrey.

ARGENTINA

Please note: The following extracts are translations

The Interview/Nigel West

"Argentina nearly won the war"

Considered the unofficial historian by the British secret service, West says that the Argentine forces, if they had not been led by "illiterates" as far as strategy was concerned, could have been victorious following the sinking of the Atlantic Conveyor. "But, they committed too many mistakes."

(West has a political past and is a writer) "What political career are you talking about? We will have another ten years of the opposition and I am too old to go on waiting." - he indicated, with a crafty smile, "I went into politics to be useful, to make a difference. In the opposition and with a government which has a great majority, you can't do anything."

There are no signs of giving up in his words. Rupert Allason, as he was christened, has decided that there is something more interesting than the debates in Westminster. And this something is literature.

Now, he is writing about an episode of the Cold War ("reading Russian documents translated to German and then into English, which is dangerous.") Talking about his latest book *The Secret War*, was like going back in time, but with the pleasure of someone who takes a long rest before returning to the typewriter.

In the living room of his house in London, a three-storey terrace, a few steps away from Victoria Station, West, who was extremely patient, underwent an hour and a half long interrogation, which began with a question, which was more than obvious.

Why did you decide to write about Falklands?

"Following a talk I gave about intelligence with a very varied audience, a man came up to me and said that he was very interested in what I had to say about the 'surprise factor'. The basis of my reasoning was that not having a good intelligence service would mean a bloody end. If one is surprised, the war ends. That's what happened in Korea, The Seven Day War, Afghanistan and the Gulf War. Intelligence saves lives. This man asked me why I hadn't mentioned the Falklands among the intelligence failures. So, I told him that I was fascinated by this, but I didn't really know much and I told him that

I never wrote about things that happened in the last ten years - that's why I don't write about Northern Ireland or terrorism in general - and I do this for a very simple reason, I wouldn't want to have anyone's death on my conscience. Time protects people. But he told me that more than ten years had gone by and he gave me some information which got me going.

Was that person Colonel Stephen Love?

"Yes. The British defence attaché at the British embassy before the war. He gave me some information which he had given to Lord Franks (Editors Note: the magistrate who led the official investigation into the British role in the conflict.) I spent that summer reading all that I could about the Falklands War, but each time I finished a book, I had more questions than answers. It was then that I decided to go to Brazil, because I had the impression that that country had played an important role in the conflict which nobody knew about. Through a friend I contacted Captain Carlos Doglieli, who helped me a lot by putting me in touch with people and helping me to be objective. I also went to Argentina and Chile, because I had the impression that something had taken place there, which up until then was unknown. I returned to England and I discovered what I suspected: The SAS operated in Rio Grande. Also, I interviewed a few people more, including one of the agents involved in the diversion-purchase operation of Exocet by Argentines. And the book wrote itself. Two months investigation. Two months writing.

Can you tell us who that agent was?

"It was an agent who had got in touch with me a couple of years before, because he had problems collecting money from the British Secret Intelligence Service (SIS) who owed him expenses and as a member of parliament, I was able to give him a hand. When I began to work on the book I called him. He accepted to return me the favour immediately.

In the list of thanks in your book you mention Vice Admiral David Puivertast, from the D-Notice Committee (committee made up of representatives of the armed forces and the government, which warn about possible violations of State secrets). Is that an elegant way of saying that an elegant way of saying that you had to remove some information from your book?

"Yes. As I don't want to do any harm to anyone, I always show my work to the secret services and the people who I interviewed, before I publish it. If there is something I

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hate it is when they write to me and tell me that I misinterpreted what they told me. On this occasion the D-Notice Committee were concerned because I gave the names of those who participated in the SAS operation. That's why I only included their first names and the initial of their surnames. They also asked me to change a couple of other things, but not the content of the book.

Did they ask you to change any dates?

"No, and I wouldn't have accepted it either."

The reason I ask you this is because one of the people you mention, Captain Carlos Bencherit, wrote a letter to La Nacion, in which he assured that the first message he sent to the Argentine Naval intelligence was on April 23rd 1982, whilst you said that a British interception team in Ascension received this information five days before.

Hmm... So he admitted that he worked for naval intelligence... the only thing I can say is that I put that date because that is what I was told. And my sources are reliable.

You reveal, in detail, the intervention of several countries who favoured the British, led by the United States.

The North Americans acted in a very foreseeable way. The thing which really surprised me, is that they didn't do more. The fact that the head of the Latin American area of the CIA, Vinx Blocker, was in Langley, headquarters of the CIA in Virginia, at the time of the Argentine invasion, is incredible.

In your book you mention Alexander Haig very little, even though he was the main security advisor in the White House.

"That was on purpose. This is

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BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR FRIDAY 24 OCTOBER 1997 HONG KONG STOCK MARKET CRASH

Several of Friday's British papers print photographs of anxious traders from Stock Markets around the world watching the slump in prices spread from South-East Asia to Europe and the United States. *The Guardian*, under the headline "World market near melt-down", says the slump in share prices could hit worldwide economic confidence and bring the growth spurt of the 1990s to a juddering halt. In an editorial, *The Guardian* calls the slump "serious stuff" and says the speculators have not finished yet. *The Independent* says that while no-one is suggesting we are staring into the abyss of another 1929, things could be about to get very ugly. But *The Financial Times* praises the Hong Kong authorities for defending their currency, even if it did spark panic in the Stock Market. It says they must ignore warnings of the cost, since the alternative would be even costlier.

CHOGM

The Commonwealth Conference, opening today in Edinburgh, attracts plenty of editorial comment. *The Times* says the conference should expel Nigeria from its ranks for not restoring democracy. The paper says economic sanctions should also follow, and calls on the British Government to take a lead on the issue. *The Independent* says, however, that any idea that Nigeria will be expelled, in accordance with the pledge made at the last Conference two years ago, has been relegated to the realm of fantasy. It says the Commonwealth has a pathological loathing of conflict.

ENGLISH AU PAIR TRIAL

There are also several front page pictures of a tearful British nanny, Louise Woodward, who has been testifying at her trial in the United States accused of murdering the child in her care. *The Independent*, under the headline "Teenage innocent or a killer?" asks whether she was a nanny so frustrated with her lot that she was driven to commit murder, or a hapless teenager who became enmeshed in a tragic train of events. *The Mirror* says she looked for all the world like any teenager nervously facing her first job interview - anxious to please.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR
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LOCKERBIE TRIAL CONTROVERSY

The South African President, Nelson Mandela, also figures prominently in today's papers. They focus on his call for the British Government to agree to a trial in a neutral country of two Libyans accused of involvement in a bomb attack which brought down an American airliner over Lockerbie in Scotland nine years ago. *The Guardian* says Britain is now on the defensive because Mr Mandela's proposal is supported by relatives of the victims. The British Government rejected the idea of a trial in a third country. *The Express* says Mr Mandela was snubbed. One of its correspondents, Peter Hitchens, says Mr Mandela's friendship with Colonel Gaddafi should make people realise that the South African President isn't as perfect as they first thought. Mr Mandela, *The Express* says, has a talent for associating with some pretty dubious people. *The Daily Mail* agrees and says Mr Mandela should look at justice in his own country before talking to other countries about the subject.

BRITISH POLICEMAN MURDERED

The face of a British policewoman, Nina Mackay - stabbed to death in London as she tried to arrest a suspect - is pictured on the front pages of many of Monday's editions. The man arrested, accused of killing the officer was already facing a charge of assault and had been granted bail against police advice. *The Express* quotes the father of the policewoman - himself a retired police officer - criticising judges and lawyers for releasing people he said should clearly not be free. *The Sun* says her death was needless.

WOMEN TO SERVE ON THE FRONT-LINE

The Times stays with the theme of women in uniform with a front page story about the British Army allowing female soldiers to serve on the front-line. The paper says the Defence Secretary, George Robertson, will also announce a study into whether women should be allowed to fight in combat roles alongside men. *The Times* says the move should be seen as part of the labour Government's drive to modernise the country. *The Daily Mail* sees it as marching to equality.

CHILD ABUSE FINDINGS
Violence in British society preoccupies the papers, with several carrying a story about secret cameras which filmed parents abusing their children in hospital wards. *The Independent* says the cameras revealed a shocking catalogue of attacks on babies and young children, with parents being filmed suffocating, punching and kicking children in hospitals in London and the northwestern city of Stoke-on-Trent. *The Daily Telegraph* says the findings raise serious questions about the safety of verdicts relating to the unexpected deaths of babies and young children. *The Telegraph* says that as a result of the surveillance, some mothers have admitted they suffocated children whose deaths were previously diagnosed as unexplained cot deaths.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR TUESDAY 28 OCTOBER 1997 GOVERNMENT STATE- MENT ON SINGLE EUROPEAN CURRENCY

The British Government's decision to rule out joining the planned European currency, the euro, when it is launched in 1999 is the lead on many of the front pages. While rejecting immediate adoption of the euro, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Gordon Brown, called for preparations to begin to enable Britain to join soon after the next general election. The statement, together with the Government's repeated pledge that a final decision on monetary union would be put to the British people in a referendum, is welcomed by a number of the papers. *The Times* says the announcement will allow for a mature debate on the merits of Britain joining the currency. It says abandoning the pound before the euro was up and running would have exposed the British economy, and the Government, to unnecessary risk. *The Sun* agrees. It says the country has a five year breathing space while up to a dozen of Britain's European partners embark on a project that could make or break them. *The Independent* reports that Mr Brown's statement offered the most dramatically clear-cut choice between the two main political parties. For while the Chancellor backed the principle of monetary union, the paper says the finance spokesman for the main opposition Conservatives made a speech which put his party into a most extreme position of hostility to the currency.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

The turmoil in the New York Stock Exchange makes headlines in a number of papers. *The Daily Express* splashes with the story on its front page. It says traders in the London Stock Market are now bracing themselves for what the paper describes as a "melt-down" following the steepest falls in share prices on Wall Street for ten years. **ROLLS ROYCE FOR SALE** And the decision by the British engineering and defence group, Vickers, to sell its Rolls Royce luxury motor car subsidiary is fea-

tured in several papers. *The Daily Mirror* says competition to buy the legendary motor manufacturer - the last major British car company - was expected to drive the asking price to about 750 million dollars.

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STOCK MARKETS RECOVER

"Markets back from the brink" is the way *The Guardian* describes the dramatic recovery in share prices in New York. "Wall Street leads market rally" is the headline in *The Financial Times*. It says that fears of a repeat of the 1987 crash have been assuaged by the American recovery.

US BRITISH NANNY TRIAL The final stages of the trial in Cambridge, Massachusetts, of the British au pair, Louise Woodward, are also prominently reported. The papers agree that the outcome of the case hangs in the balance, with jurors having to decide whether it was a clear case of child abuse or a terrible accident.

CHINESE PRESIDENT IN USA

Several of the papers carry pictures of the Chinese president, Jiang Zemin, wearing a large American hat on a visit to the colonial city of Williamsburg. *The Times* says that when it comes to the more serious part of his visit to the United States - talks with President Clinton - the American side can expect little progress on human rights. *The Daily Telegraph* agrees: Mr Jiang, it says, has made it clear that he will accept no lectures on human rights from Washington and that he expects Mr Clinton to treat him as an equal.

WOMEN IN THE ARMY

Following a decision by the British Government to open-up more front-line positions in the Army to women, *The Daily Mail* runs a special report on the effects of a similar change in the United States. Here in Britain, the paper says, and against all expectations, the evidence suggests that women may make better soldiers than men. *The Mail* says they are better shots, superior fighter pilots and... more willing to kill.

DAVID BOWIE UK'S RICHEST POP STAR

And finally, many of the papers report that David Bowie has overtaken Sir Paul McCartney as Britain's richest pop star. Bowie, the man *The Times* calls the chameleon of British rock, is now said to be worth a cool 550 million pounds. **BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR
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CONSERVATIVE

DIVISIONS OVER EUROPE Further splits in Britain's opposition Conservative party over the European single currency dominate the headlines in several of today's newspapers. The coverage is prompted by the resignation from the party's front-bench team of a senior pro-Europe MP, Ian Taylor. He objected to the declaration by the Conservative leader, William



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ARGENTINE MID-TERM ELECTIONS

Still recovering from last Sunday's mid term election which left the Menem administration without its congressional majority, but still with the main block in the House of Deputies, the Argentine government and the opposition exchanged conciliatory messages and said they were willing to discuss the agenda for the two years of the last leg of the present mandate.

President Menem, after admitting some of the blame for the poor electoral returns in some constituencies, said that the "Peronist party is as strong as ever" and preparing to dispute the 99 presidential elections, adding that at the reshuffle in the ministerial cabinet will be "selective and not global."

"This is not time for changes so close to Sunday's results and with the world financial markets in trouble," said Menem.

For the first time President Menem also admitted that unemployment and lack of transparency (i.e., corruption) were decisive elements for the opposition campaign and success, but also stressed that there will be no changes in the present economic policies and promised unemployment will be down to 7% (from 16%) by 1999. Former president Raul Alfonsín, who helped create in just a few months the opposition Alliance which had such a good showing at the polls, said the electorate voted in favour of hope and a new start.

Graciela Fernandez Mejide possibly the most outstanding member of the Alliance stressed that people voted for "decency" and was optimistic about the future. "Menem is no fool, and wants to exit government by the big door. We don't need to change the present economic policies, we need to improve distribution and legis-

lague, that the party now opposes, outright, Britain joining the single currency.

SPENCER FAMILY TO OPEN ALTHORP TO PUBLIC

Front page treatment is also given to the news that the family of the late Diana, Princess of Wales, intends to let the public visit her grave on the family estate in central England for a limited period next summer.

late on guidelines for open government," underlined Mrs Fernandez Mejide.

Last Sunday the Argentine electorate returned 51 peronist Deputies, 46 from the Alliance, another twelve, and three from close allies of the Alliance, and fifteen from other minority parties. Overall this means the Peronist block lost thirteen seats but still is the main force in Congress with 118 Deputies out of 257.

Another consequence of Sunday's election is that Menem's success is now open, besides Eduardo Duhalde, Governor of the province of Buenos Aires, possible candidates include former folk singer and Governor Palito Ortega and former Formula 1 pilot and Governor Lole Reutemann.

BRAZIL SUPPORTS CURRENCY

Brazil's central bank sold an undisclosed amount of US dollars during seven interventions in an effort to strengthen the Real, which had weakened beyond the limit set by a mini trading band as the Hong Kong financial crisis extended to the world.

Local stock exchange agents and financial experts believe the Brazilian central bank may have sold as much as four billion US dollars in morning tradings during this last week to keep its currency within the ceiling rate of 1.1015 and 1.0165 Reales to the US dollar. The decision to take measures to hold the Brazilian currency comes amid investor concern that recent devaluation in several Asian countries could spread to Brazil. In the future market, the Real tumbled significantly against the US currency, projecting a devaluation of as much as 4.4% by the beginning of December.

Brazil expects to end '97 with a 12% inflation rate, the lowest in decades, but the international com-

IRAQ WEAPONS INSPECTORS

The deteriorating relations between the United States and Iraq also receive extensive coverage, following Saddam Hussein's decision to bar all Americans from working as UN weapons inspectors in Iraq. *The Times* warns the move could provoke a military response from the United States, which has an aircraft carrier on stand-by in the Gulf

munity believes the Brazilian currency is over blown against the dollar making the country's exports much dearer and increasing its foreign trade deficit.

ARGENTINA SOFTENS FINE A renowned legal office from Buenos Aires, Estudio Fargosi and Associates obtained an unprecedented verdict in the fishing industry when it managed to appeal and soften a fine imposed on a poaching vessel.

A year and a half ago the Ukrainian flagged *Desyariya Pyatiletka* was arrested and ordered to proceed to Puerto Madryn after it was caught poaching in the South Atlantic off the Argentine coast. The vessel was fined 800,000 US dollars and 52 tonnes of squid products were confiscated.

Lawyers from the Buenos Aires legal office appealed against the fine and since then have been fighting in Court for reconsideration of the initial ruling. Finally, last September, Judge Osvaldo Guglielmino decided to soften the fine and reduced the sum to 200,000 US dollars.

The ruling is believed to have no close precedent in recent Argentine judicial history and could become a landmark for further cases.

MAGELLANES VULNERABLE TO QUAKES

The Magellanes Region, in the extreme south of Chile is vulnerable to earth quakes according to Prof. Sergio Barrientos from the prestigious Geophysics Department of the Universidad de Chile.

Dr. Barrientos indicated that the existence of a 200 mile fault in the vicinity of the Magellen Strait, where the Nazca and South American plates converge, makes the area vulnerable to quakes. The convergence ends near the Taitao Peninsula, next to the Aysen Region.

"The fault was quite active a century ago, actually in 1879, and later in 1949 when the area experienced two important earthquakes in an eight hour period. This means we can have a quake of up to seven points at any moment," stressed Barrientos.

The expert also pointed out that unfortunately the seismological monitoring stations and resources in the Magellanes Region are "practically non-existent."

BRITAIN AFTER BIGG'S EXTRADITION

Great Britain officially requested of Brazil the extradition of Ronnie Biggs, the convicted member of a gang that carried out the legendary "Great Train Robbery" in 1963.

The announcement was made by an official at the British Embassy in Brasilia.

Biggs has lived as a fugitive in Rio de Janeiro since 1970, where a few years later he surfaced after local police detected him working as a decorator without the right documents. He managed to remain in Brazil because he was father to a Brazilian born child.

"I'm just going to keep my cool and wait to see what happens," said Biggs in Rio, who added he was,

"hopeful, but not confident," that he would give the British authorities the slip once again.

Britain and Brazil ratified in August an extradition treaty, removing a major obstacle in the way of Britain's attempts to recapture its best-known figure.

CHILE'S NEXT SOCIALIST PRESIDENT

A decade after emerging from General Pinochet's dictatorship, Chile seems ready to pick a socialist as its next leader. Presently Public Works Minister, Ricardo Lagos holds a huge lead in preference polls and is considered Chile's most popular politician.

Although presidential elections in Chile are more than two years away, the general feeling is that Lagos will succeed President Eduardo Frei, a Christian Democrat whose term ends in 2000. In a recent survey, 65% of Chileans named Lagos as the politician with the best future.

Lago's election would be highly symbolic as he would be the first Socialist to reach the presidency since Salvador Allende died of gunshot wounds in La Moneda (presidential palace) during the bloody 1973 coup led by Pinochet.

Lagos became known during the long military dictatorship as the leader of the NO, an anti Pinochet movement organised for a 1988 plebiscite on whether the dictator should stay or go.

The NO movement, which represented a wide range of Chilean groups eventually evolved into the Concertacion, a centre left coalition that has governed the country since Pinochet stepped down as president in 1990. During the first democratic government Lagos was Minister of Education, and, under President Frei, Minister of Public Works, a job which has given him plenty of opportunities for high profile and television spots.

BRAZIL PRIVATISES OIL INDUSTRY

By January 1999, the Brazilian government expects to have sold to the private sector a 30% share of Petrobras, the huge oil monopoly, which is considered between the top three companies of Latin America.

The six billion dollar operation is the first of a long term plan to divest Petrobras which at present runs all the business, from exploration and extraction of oil and natural gas, to refining and distribution of fuel.

The bill presently being discussed in Congress was drafted in such a way as to help local financial groups bid successfully for the Petrobras shares. This seems to be a decisive element in the negotiations with other political parties and strong lobbies from Brazilian financial groups who fear the company might end in foreign hands, as has happened with other privatisation in Latin America.

Brazil is 70% self sufficient in oil and natural gas, and is a leader in off shore deep drilling technology, where most of its hydrocarbons have been discovered.

not a political book. Haig wrote his book. Mrs Thatcher too. There are a great number of books about the war itself. I wanted it to be perfectly clear that I am not in conditions to write about secret diplomacy or the acts of war. Those who were involved can do so, not me.

The North American certainty, concerning help from Moscow, makes you wonder what Washington really knew about what the Russians did.

"Or maybe it's better to say, what they didn't do, because in the case of the Falklands, the Russians were not involved. I am convinced of this, even though I was never able to speak to the KGB delegate in Buenos Aires. First of all he refused to speak to me and later on in Moscow, he said he was sick. But, I was able to obtain a version of the monitoring from London, through Oleg Gordievsky, the double agent, who defected before the fall of the Berlin Wall. It was a disaster. Not only did they not advise Moscow of the invasion, until two days later, but, right up until the end they assured that the British would never win.

You also mention the case of a German engineer who assisted the Argentine forces in the Falklands. Was it just a personal issue, or do you believe West Germany knew about this help?

"I think it was a purely personal question."

The Australians, New Zealanders, and even the Canadians appear as clear helpers of the British. You tell the case of a Canadian who was allowed to make telephone calls every day from a telephone box in Port Stanley to his embassy in Buenos Aires. Is that not a contrast to the allegations about mistreatment the Islanders say they suffered following the occupation of the Islands by Argentine forces?

I didn't go to the Islands. I don't know what it is like to live in occupied territory nor am I interested in studying this. But, what I do hope is that I have been able to show that the Islanders' allegations, according to which the Argentines had used a hospital ship to transport the second Exocet cargo to the Islands, was not true. Because, they couldn't understand how the Argentines had been able to take them without it being noticed. I know that locally, this was a rumour, but it is false. Because of all the evidence I gathered from people who were involved in the operation, explaining to me, step by step how they did it. I am sure they used a war ship.

Why do you think Galtieri decided on March 26th to launch the Invasion, when the plans had been ready since the previous November and it is known that if he had waited until the next spring, he would have had most arguments and logistical support?

"That is one of the great mysteries of this century. North American diplomats told me it was difficult to see him sober. I don't know

what rational reasons he could have given to the Junta. The analysts in London came to the conclusion that if he had waited until October or November, Great Britain, would have had no chance. By then, they would have dismantled the fleet and the French Exocets would have arrived in Buenos Aires...

You say that the Argentine forces were encouraged to sink the *Invincible*, because they knew Prince Andrew was on board. But, in Buenos Aires exactly the opposite is said: Nobody wanted to touch him because they feared the war would get worse.

What I can say is that I had the strong impression that the capital vessels (was in the paper in English), were the principal target of the Argentine forces. And in rational terms, it cannot be explained why they were the last to be attacked. Even the most ignorant in the matter knows that it is important to sink the supply and logistical support ships. It is crazy to go after the Capital Vessels, when they can defend themselves, and on the contrary, can't do anything without supplies. Their only purpose is that of exactly defending the supply ships. It is a defensive role, not necessarily of attack. When they sank the *Atlantic Conveyor* they were very close to winning the war. If they had attacked one or two more Navy ships we would have been finished. That's why, to me there are only two explanations: One is that the Argentine forces were led by 'illiterates' in terms of strategy. The second is that they were seeking 'propaganda.' And what better thing to do than sink the ship with the Duke of York on it. Eliminating such a figure would have affected the moral, not just of the fleet, but also the British public.

Let's talk about the sabotage of the attempts to purchase Exocet by the Argentines. Which of all the possible causes of death of Robert Calvi do you favour. Suicide, murder by the British secret service or by an Argentine unit operating in London?

"The British Secret Service, as far as I know, doesn't murder anyone. But what I can say is that they made Calvi's life very difficult. His contacts in the City of London, undoubtedly served so that the Midland Bank withdrew its loan to the Ambrosiano Bank. But, really I don't know if he committed suicide or he was killed.

What do your investigations point you to?

"Suicide. He had lots of reasons. You can't imagine the things this man went through before he died: The Ambrosiano was suffocating in debt; the Midland loan had disappeared; he had just got out of prison; the week before his secretary had killed herself by throwing herself out of a window; and the Argentines had just surrendered, putting an end to any financial operation which could save him. The police did an excellent

job in which they were able to compare the dust found on his shoes with that on a wall of a building site ten blocks from the bridge he jumped off. He had his pockets full of stones he had apparently collected at the building site after he jumped over the wall. As far as the possibility of revenge or silencing on the part of an Argentine unit, I have no information that there had been activities in London. I do know that there were in Montevideo, and, so I have been told, they were capable of anything. But, I insist, what happened to Calvi is a mystery.

Your book gives the sensation that the only adequate intelligence action which took place concerning the Falklands was *Operation Journeyman*, ordered in 1977, not by a Tory government but by Labour's Callaghan.

Yes. And it is not strange if one asks the military who was the best defence minister there has ever been, the answer is always the same: Dennis Healey. Quite the opposite to what people think. Labour always had a better relationship with the military than the Tories.

Do you believe that *Operation Journeyman II* would have avoided the war?

"Yes. The Argentine armed forces would not have participated in a mission which involved an important amphibious action if there had been a British submarine - maybe a nuclear one - and two frigates in the zone. It is possible that the Argentine threat of 1977 had not been like that. I have always asked myself if the Argentine ships were not heading towards Chile more than the Falklands. But, Intelligence at the time carried out its role well, of allowing the movement of a persuasive action. This is what was lacking in 1982 and it's where the drama started." (Ends)

Saturday 25th October 1997

CLARIN

**Between Menem and the British Prime Minister
Falklands without Clinton's mediation**

A US official confirmed that there was no request for bringing both sides together. On the other hand Menem said that he requested Clinton, during his visit last week, to speak to Blair about resuming negotiations.

The US government confirmed that President Carlos Menem, last week, did not request his colleague Bill Clinton to speak to the British Prime Minister Tony Blair about the need to resume negotiations over the Falklands.

Secretary of State for Latin American affairs, Jeffrey Davidov, said so during a teleconference from Washington, transmitted simultaneously to Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro and Caracas to evaluate Clinton's tour to Venezuela, Brazil and Argentina.

Davidov's answers concerning the Falklands contradict the statements made by President Carlos

Menem. Last Monday to the newspaper *La Manana Del Sur* and which had been confirmed by foreign ministry officials speaking to *Clarín*. Menem had said "I asked President Clinton to speak to the authorities in England so that we can resume negotiations concerning our relations concerning the Falklands, always in agreement within the UN resolutions," which urge both sides to resume negotiations which have been broken off since the Falklands war in 1982.

Answering questions from the journalists Daniel Santoro from *Clarín* and Pepe Eliachev, from *Radio del Plata*, from the US embassy during the teleconference, Davidov made the following statements.

Falklands: "There was a discussion between both presidents because it is an important issue to Argentina. I don't believe there were any specific requests, and Clinton told Menem and then later said it publicly, that his visit to Argentina made him understand better how important this matter is to the Argentine people, and that he considers the increase in relations between Argentina and Great Britain should be applauded."

He pointed out "Clinton said this as a real and true friend of both countries and he would like the conversations to go on and increase, as both countries have a true desire to find a solution to this problem. We will offer help but without getting directly involved."

Wool Market Report (24.10.97) from Falkland Islands Wool Marketing

Australia: Sales held in Gelong/Sydney. Markets closed with Merino Fleece types 21/22 micron 5/10 Acents cheaper with 22.5/25 micron unchanged. Crossbred fleece 26 5/27 unchanged. 28/29.5 Acents dearer with 30/32 micron quoted unchanged. Main buyers Japan, supported by Western Europe and local mills. Eastern Market indicator closed 3 cents higher at 692 cents.

NZ: South Island compared with the South Island sale Oct 16. Halfbred fleece 24 to 26 micron 1% dearer with 27 to 30 microns unchanged. 34 micron and coarser closed 1% dearer. The NZ Market indicator was 3 cents up at 460 cents.

Falkland: Following a business trip to Italy last week to visit the fashion fairs and for discussions with our Falkland clients regarding potential business for new season ahead, all our regular clients are quite pleased with last season's sales and considering fashion for spring will be 'softer look', they are confident that their purchases of Falkland scoured and wool tops will be equal if not higher than the present season.



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Summary of the meeting of Executive Council by H E the Governor - Thursday, October 23

Penguin News are grateful to H E the Governor for the following summary

THE first meeting of ExCo since the general election took place at Government House on Thursday 23 October. The three new elected members for the year to come are Councillors Sharon Halford, Lewis Clifton and Richard Cockwell, and all three were present. Since the agenda was relatively short, I thought we might get through it by lunch time. In fact it turned into something of a marathon; we did not finish until 5.30 in the afternoon.

Government Affairs

Treasury: As far as government affairs were concerned, ExCo considered a progress report by the Financial Secretary on the work of the Treasury during 1997, particularly in five major areas - the introduction of up to date pension schemes, work on taxation issues, especially with a possible oil industry in prospect, improved arrangements for our government investments, improvements to financial management, and analytical work connected with possible revenue from oil. The latter is of course particularly important.

Holiday voucher scheme: Secondly, Executive Council decided, on reconsideration, that an amendment to the rules on the holiday voucher scheme which we agreed last month, which would prevent anyone who has an overseas passage entitlement through his or her contract with any employer from being included in the scheme, was discriminatory. In fact the number of people covered by this can be counted on the fingers of one hand, but we cancelled the amendment nevertheless.

Councillor's committees: Thirdly, ExCo formally approved the distribution of elected Councillors to statutory committees of one sort or another, including the choice of two Councillors, Mike Summers and Lewis Clifton, to the Islands Planning Committee, which Councillor Summers will chair. The allocation of Councillors' functional portfolios has already been announced in the press.

Freedom of expression for civil servants: The fourth point in this section concerns the rules governing political activity by, and freedom of expression for, civil serv-

ants - something which became highly topical during the general election campaign. ExCo approved the deletion from General Orders of the old rule 501(3) forbidding any government officer from engaging in any personal attack publicly on any other officer or any member of Executive or Legislative Council. This rule is now replaced by a new one which states that the extent to which an officer may publicly participate in the affairs of the Islands in his private capacity must depend on the officer's circumstances, and he or she is expected to apply common sense to his own position. For example, senior officers who advise the Governor or Executive Council must exercise a proper reticence in discussing publicly matters of political or public controversy. The revised rules will be circulated to all government staff.

Orders or Bills

Drug trafficking: ExCo approved a number of Orders or Bills. One brings the Falkland Islands into compliance with an international obligation to cooperate with other countries to which the Narcotic and Psychotropic Substances Convention of 1988 applies, and the reciprocal enforcement of Orders made by courts to deprive people convicted of drug trafficking offences of payments or other awards received in connection with drug trafficking.

Minerals: Then there was an Offshore Minerals Amendment Bill making provision in law for the exercise of Falkland Islands jurisdiction in relation to the exploration for and exploitation of minerals in the Special Cooperation Area to the south west of the Islands. **Charging Orders Bill:** And the third was a Charging Orders Bill, the aim of which is to secure payment of money judgments awarded in the courts of the Falkland Islands. These last two Bills will both have to go to LegCo.

Oil

A number of points arose in connection with oil. ExCo took note of the usual monthly report from the Department of Oil, touching on the prospect of site surveys into well locations which will begin in December, the logistics contract for onshore activities during drilling, due to be awarded by the oil companies at the end of Octo-

ber, health and safety matters, and environmental issues. On this last point, ExCo agreed that an exploration drilling environmental impact assessment voluntarily commissioned by the oil companies could be treated as one requested by me as Governor, making the document available for public comment. ExCo also agreed that the EIA should be assessed by an independent, impartial, non-commercial environmental consultant on behalf of the Falkland Islands Government. Under the heading of health and safety, ExCo, recognising that FIPASS has a number of inadequacies for the oil exploration phase, agreed to the establishment of a small working group to drive work forward on this front, particularly in relation to safety procedures and the acquisition of any necessary new hardware.

Oil Spill - Hill Cove - and the environment

Still on the subject of the environment, Commander British Forces reported that an enquiry into the recent oil spill at Hill Cove showed that this was the result of human error. As so often, everyone has learned lessons from this the hard way, and new safeguards have been introduced to prevent any recurrence. ExCo also considered an information paper on the situation concerning development of the Cape Pembroke Peninsula, in particular possible road access to Gypsy Cove and the lighthouse, and a proposal for management guidelines, the production of which will involve consultation with all interested parties.

Accommodation

A number of items concerning Stanley were discussed, including an accommodation camp, without which the Stanley building programme simply cannot proceed, particularly the old people's home and sheltered accommodation and a new student's hostel. Councillors asked us to get on with this as quickly as possible. They also pressed for rapid progress in building the next 10 government houses in the East Stanley development. And it was agreed that we should appoint a specialist to assess and make recommendations to ExCo on the way protection in existing and future government buildings should be undertaken. This follows the fire at the FIDC offices in late March.

Camp

As regards camp, Councillors felt that the measures agreed last month to provide agricultural labour assistance do not really go far enough, or are not as equitable as they should be, so these will be looked at again. The whole question of re-invigorating camp will be spearheaded by the Islands Planning Committee, giving this strong priority and coherence. ExCo also considered, yet again, road con-

struction in camp, particularly requirements and construction methods, and decided to invite an official of the UK Forestry Commission, whom Councillor Luxton met in Scotland this year, to visit the Falklands to give us the benefit of his experience and advice on specifications for road construction. Executive Council also ratified the appointment of two Councillors to the Board of Falkland Landholdings. These are Lewis Clifton and John Birmingham, one of whom will step down as soon as an acceptable management plan has been agreed. This should be within a year, and will of course have to be approved by ExCo on behalf of the Falkland Islands Government as shareholder. Lastly, in case any people out in camp are worrying about possible disruptions to FIGAS flights, services are continuing perfectly normally.

Underage drinking

ExCo strongly approved a Bill, for introduction in Legislative Council shortly, designed to deal with the problem of underage drinking, which is causing a good deal of concern to parents and the community as a whole. The law will henceforth prohibit people under the age of 18 drinking alcohol outside their own homes except if they have permission from a parent or guardian. This will give the police the powers they need to deal with this increasingly worrying problem, and youngsters who break the law should beware. Personally I also welcome the appointment of a Councillor, John Birmingham, to consider ways to provide more amenities and interests for young people in our community, particularly those who are perhaps a bit old for the Shack, but too young to go into pubs. If it were my choice, I would build a bowling alley. At all events, I hope we can stop talking about this, and now actually do something.

To finish up, readers may like to know that Sir Rex Hunt will be visiting the Falkland Islands again in the second half of November, during which there will be a reception for members of the public to meet him. You may also like to know that we intend to hold a reception in the Town Hall shortly to salute all our sportsmen and sportswomen who have represented the Islands so magnificently in various overseas events recently.

And, finally, for anyone who is worried whether their children will be able to get down to the Islands for Christmas, Commander British Forces gave us the very welcome news that the allocation of seats on the southbound Tristars on 15 and 20 December has been doubled, from 20 to 40 on each flight. So I hope everyone who wants to will be able to spend Christmas with their families in the Falkland Islands.

Beach Clean-up

**Saturday November 1
Beaver Hangar to Jhelum**

**You are invited to help the Scout Group clear rubbish from your view.
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249	24.11.97	28.11.97	05.01.98
250	22.12.97	28.12.97	02.02.98
251	16.01.98	20.01.98	27.02.98
252	14.02.98	20.02.98	30.03.98
253	14.03.98	20.03.98	27.04.98
254	12.04.98	20.04.98	26.05.98

More than 'point and click'

Report on the 1997 Falkland Islands Photographic Exhibition

THE fifth Falkland Islands Photographic Exhibition drew an appreciative and 'fair sized' audience to the Community School last weekend. The Exhibition, started by Mrs Arlene Fullerton (wife of Governor William Fullerton) in 1992, has been held every year since then, bar once, and is described as, "intending to be a quality photographic exhibition with high standards of work and presentation." It is noncompetitive and is open to both professional and amateur photographers of all ages.

"This year," said Committee Member Phyl Rendell, "around 250 prints were exhibited, which is about average."

She went on to say, "Although there are a few regular exhibitors (Phyl noted the valuable input by photographers Jim Elliot and Dave Eynon) there have been many different contributors over the years." She suggested that this was probably due to photography being an expensive hobby, noting that many would exhibit every two years, giving themselves time to build up photographs and have them enlarged.

Around 32 photographers exhibited this year (their work arranged on new display boards sponsored by local companies) most of whom were local residents but also some from further afield, such as Dr. Vicky Hards from the British Geological Survey Mineralogy and Petrology Group in Nottingham. And, while the majority of photographs had a Falkland Islands theme, (wildlife, Camp life and underwater shots) images of Chile, Spain, Italy, Bermuda, South Georgia and France could also be seen.

Visitors to the exhibition would have found it a particularly encouraging sight to observe the high quality of photographs displayed by fifteen year olds, Nick Rendell and Simon Jones, and sixteen year old Georgina Strange, all of whom are pupils at the Islands' Community School, where darkroom facilities are available.

Delighted by the turnout of photographers and audience, the committee have plans to extend exhibiting time in the future, possibly making use of a half term holiday next year.

Below: Sixteen year old Georgina Strange with her work. She has enjoyed photography as a hobby for 2-3 years. Bottom: Dave Eynon with his underwater shots. Dave's ambition is to dive with and photograph whales around Falklands' waters.



Youth leisure and sport Don't just talk..take action

COUNCILLOR John Birmingham and an invited panel of relevant persons will be holding a public meeting in the Community School on Tuesday November 4, to discuss youth, leisure and sport.

Members of the public are invited to attend, put forward, and discuss concepts connected with these subjects.

The meeting will take place in the Geography Room at 7pm.

MotoX magic at Travellers' Rest... Report by Jimmy Moffat

THOSE spectators who braved the south-westerly winds on Sunday, October 26, were rewarded with some spectacular racing by the finest riders the Falklands have ever produced. Although racing numbers were depleted it did not dampen the enthusiasm of the riders who did make it to the course.

The first race commenced with a line up of the clubman class and the experts racing together. Once the gate dropped, race favourites, Jonny Summers, Jan Clarke and wild card, Simon Smile from MPA, riding Jim Moffatt's 250 KTM, battled for the lead - but out of the first turn it was Jonny who had grabbed the hole slot. He led Jan and Simon for the first half of the race, not giving an inch, but Jan, who had other ideas about who was going to win, made his move, shot into the lead and that was where he stayed for the next four races, displaying superb riding technique and thrilling the crowd with super jumps.

Some excellent riding came from Simon, who could prove to be the man to beat if he can get up to race fitness. Ian Jordan on his 250 Kawasaki proved unbeatable

in the clubman class, even having a tussle with expert rider Shane Blackley, who was still coming to terms with his new RM250. Ian even won his last race with a puncture.

Dustin Clarke, who last year could be relied upon to provide the best spills, got faster all day and never put a foot wrong. Bill Stewart, an old duffer by now, had a bad day trying to come to terms with a poor front tyre, but still came away with a cup and second overall.

The Juniors race was by no means dull because of the age differences as the top three were well on the pace. Eddie Grimmer had grabbed the hole slot in race one as he did in all his heats, followed by Sean and Jay Moffatt. A mistake by Eddie halfway through the race let Jay Moffatt, who had by that time moved into second place, pull into the lead. Not a good move on Eddie's part as once Jay gets into the lead he is hard to pass.

Still, Jay did not have it his own way all day, as Eddie won the final race of the day. Also having great rides on small bikes were

Gregg Hall and Clint Short. These two guys have to be commended as the course had deep ruts and big jumps; not a lot of lads their age would have had the courage to go around, let alone race.

The day did not pass without its thrills and spills, and the little incidents that make up a race can be a large part of the entertainment (even though it may not be funny for the victim.) Three such examples were: when Jonny Summers made an inside pass on Andrew Alazia causing Andrew's front wheel to wash out, dumping him into the biggest mud hole on the course; when Sean Moffatt wound open his throttle going uphill and ended up over-taking his bike in mid-air; and when Ian Jordan, who

had just passed Shane Blackley, looked over his right shoulder to see where Shane was. Shane had dived on the inside and roosted Ian into the next bend. And there are many similar tales but which could only be appreciated fully by the spectators who turned up on the day.

The next race day will be on the last Sunday in November, details of which will appear in the press nearer the time. FIAMA are grateful to the day's sponsors, Falkland Farmers Limited, and to the Traveller's Rest for kindly permitting the use of their land.

Finally there will be a fundraising dance on Saturday, November 1, in the Town Hall; listen to the radio for details.

Results

Race 1 Experts	1. Jan Clarke. 2. Jonny Summers. 3. Simon Smile
Race 2 Experts	1. Jan Clarke. 2. Jonny Summers. 3. Simon Smile
Race 3 Experts	1. Jan Clarke. 2. Simon Smile. 3. Andrew Alazia
Race 1 Clubmans	1. Ian Jordan. 2. Bill Stewart. 3. Dustin Clarke
Race 2 Clubmans	1. Ian Jordan. 2. Bill Stewart. 3. Dustin Clarke
Race 3 Clubmans	1. Ian Jordan. 2. Dustin Clarke. 3. Bill Stewart
Race 1 Juniors	1. Jay Moffatt. 2. Eddie Grimmer. 3. Sean Moffatt
Race 2 Juniors	1. Jay Moffatt. 2. Eddie Grimmer. 3. Sean Moffatt
Race 3 Juniors	1. Eddie Grimmer. 2. Jay Moffatt. 3. Sean Moffatt
Race 1, 2 & 3 Juniors Small Wheel	1. Gregg Hall. 2. Clint Short
Last Race 'The Open'	1. Jan Clarke. 2. Jonny Summers. 3. Andrew Alazia

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Postscript from *The Tabernacle*

There is much talk in our papers about 'The Peace Process.' We read about it as part of the political process in the Middle East, in South Africa, Bosnia and other parts of the world where people are in dispute. While the talk sounds well meaning and compromise is praised by the mediators, how often is the true picture more as the prophet Jeremiah wrote 'They dress the wound of my people as though it were not serious "Peace, peace," they say, when there is no peace.' (Jeremiah 8:11) The only true peace we can ever know is that peace that comes from God. "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 (John 3:16,17) Jesus said 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.' (John 14:27) Surely the 'The Peace Process.' that should be upper most in our hearts and minds is that of our relationship with God so that we too can have true peace, that is the peace that comes from God.

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Stanley beats Comodoro as support base for Falklands' oil

STANLEY has been chosen over the Argentine town of Comodoro Rivadavia as a support base for the coming (approximately 15 month) oil exploration programme off the Falklands for reasons that are "purely commercial," according to one of the senior oil company executives.

In a report by Graham Bound, for Mercopress, he describes how Tim Bushell, Director of South Atlantic Operations for the oil company LASMO plc., explained that although his company, and others which are cooperating to explore in the seas off the Islands from next April, had carefully considered the cost of a support base in Comodoro Rivadavia, it eventually became clear that facilities in the Falklands were both adequate and economical. There was, he said, no political consideration in the decision.

Only a week ago it seemed likely that Comodoro would be chosen, because of the oil infrastructure

already existing in the Argentine port. But Mr Bushell explained that Comodoro Rivadavia's distance from the drilling zone had been the deciding factor. It would, he said, take three and a half to four days to make a return journey by sea from the oil port to the exploration zone. However, ships operating from Stanley could make the same journey in less than a day and a half. This would lead to significant savings and give support ships the ability to react more quickly to any emergency or urgent requirement for supplies.

"Also in Stanley's favour," said Mr Bushell, "is that we would need to operate helicopters from the Falklands anyway." Argentina is too far distant for air operations, and he suggested that it would make sense for both ship and helicopter support to be based in the same place.

In return for the oil companies' agreement to establish their support base in the Islands, a move that

is almost guaranteed to stimulate the Islands' economy, FIG has agreed to spend money to improve dock facilities. Broadly speaking however, said Mr Bushell, Stanley

is adequate as a port, and only relatively minor improvements to management systems and infrastructure are required.

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Menem to visit Britain

THE Argentine President, Carlos Menem has been invited by Prime Minister, Tony Blair, to Britain for an official visit, 'in recognition of burgeoning trade and political relations, and his efforts to improve ties since the Falklands War.'

No date has been set, but it has been reported in the British media, that in talks between the British Foreign Secretary and the Argentine Foreign Minister, on November 4, it was suggested that Menem might visit in the second half of next year.

The invitation was extended originally by John Major, but put on hold because the Conservatives did not want to create the possibil-

ity of controversy before the general election.

Man pleads guilty to charge of possessing Class B drugs

RUPERT Herrington Payne pleaded guilty in court on Thursday, November 6, to the charge that at Mount Pleasant on October 21 he answered untruthfully a question put to him by a customs officer in the execution of his duty, and also to the charge of possessing a controlled Class B drug, namely Cannabis Resin. Mr Herrington, pleaded not guilty to a charge of possessing a controlled drug with intent to supply another. The case has been adjourned until Monday, November 17, 1997.

Horse riding accident at Port Louis

PETER Gilding of Port Louis suffered seven broken ribs, and a cracked vertebrae, as a result of a horse riding accident while gathering part of his Camp this week. Pete's horse reared up and fell backwards on top of him when it became agitated, having been made to move away from the other horses present. Pete is being treated in the KEM Hospital.

Bird or bovine TB? Wild cattle tested

FOLLOWING a report made to the Veterinary Department, by local butcher, Ben Bernsten, that suspicious 'boils' had been discovered in one of the wild steers brought from Keppel Island to Stanley, vet Andrew Coe investigated the carcasses which had been slaughtered on Friday November 31.

Andrew, who examined all five animals on Monday November 3, told *Penguin News* that the boils, or lesions, found in two of the carcasses, had been discovered in the lymph nodes which drain the intestine.

The 'boils' which, were typical of tuberculosis lesions, he said, were 'localised,' and as such, the actual carcass would have been safe to eat. However, he added, in order to safeguard his reputation, Ben Bernsten had made the decision not to sell the beef to the local population. As a result the carcasses were



taken away by the PWD and buried at the rubbish tip on Tuesday, November 4.

Andrew explained that as yet he could not say for certain whether the lesions were actually caused by tuberculosis. Even if they are, he

said, until the samples have been cultured in a UK lab (the results of which take some time to develop - approximately six weeks) the Veterinary Department will not know whether they are of the Avian TB type or Bovine TB. *Cont. page 5*

Sports reception

A PUBLIC reception has been arranged to celebrate the success of recent and past competitors who have taken part in overseas sports events for the Falkland Islands, to which all competitors and members of the public are cordially invited by the Falkland Islands Government.

The reception will be held in the Stanley Town Hall, today, November 7, 1997, from 6 to 7.30pm.

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Editorial this week written by Deputy Editor, Tony Burnett
IN international terms we are a cautious people. We endlessly study the (often ludicrously) posturing utterances emanating from Argentina. We examine the content of statements and speeches made by politicians in the British Parliament. We guard our sovereignty status with the same elemental passion possessed of a tigress defending her young. We are forced, in a stalemate situation not of our making, to watch our backs; eternal vigilance, it seems, the price we pay for our continuing liberty.

And yet, despite all this, the Falkland Islands are being invaded. Not with bomb and bullet, à la 1982, but in a slow, pernicious campaign that may not initially be systematic but which has penetrated every country in the world with a population of more than one (i.e. all of them) and is potentially damaging in a way malignant beyond any military manoeuvring.

I refer, of course, to the illicit trade in drugs. It is artlessly tempting to believe our geographic isolation coupled with the paucity of our population make us an unattractive target market for the so-called drug barons and accords us some kind of natural protection from their attentions, but that kind of dangerous thinking ignores the reality of an ever-shrinking globe; the inevitable consequence of importing labour (among whose numbers there are users who, to finance their own habit, will become pushers) and the enduring human trait of wanting to make a fast buck.

Do not be under any illusions, illegal drugs are here, in our Islands, now. They are being used now. Today, even as you read this the chances are that someone, perhaps only a few yards from you, is smoking or snorting or shooting up some exotic substance with the intention of 'heightening reality', or, more likely, escaping from it. To deny that patent fact is to emulate the ostrich and, worse, place the well-being of Falkland Islanders (predominantly young Falkland Islanders) at risk, because, make no mistake, drugs do wreck families, destroy lives and, ultimately, kill.

It has been said with blinding naivety (and recently at that) that drugs are not a problem in the Falklands, a statement apparently emanating from ignorance of the fact that in 1995/96 at least half a dozen attempts to smuggle drugs into the Islands, many of them using the postal service, were detected by Customs. Although the quantities involved were small in commercial terms, they were not all category B drugs such as cannabis or marijuana. More dangerous substances, like heroine, were involved on more than one occasion.

Apart from bludgeoning the obvious to death with a blunt instrument by pointing out that these were only the cases detected and therefore, bearing in mind the thousands of people who move in and out of the Islands each year and the avalanche of freight and mail arriving, probably represent the thin end of an ever-fattening wedge, shouldn't we be asking if these facts were available to our councillors when they decided we have no use for a sniffer dog in the fight against drugs. If not they should have been. If they were, then their decision is incomprehensible, and may even, one day, for some unsuspecting Falklands' family, prove tragically unforgivable. And even if they really do believe there is no drug problem in the Islands they should surely have seen the value of the dog as a deterrent. We should be sending undisguised signals by every means possible that we will not tolerate illegal drugs in our Islands, and that we will take every conceivable measure to prevent them entering.

Which brings me neatly to the case of the man who arrived recently on the Tristar allegedly carrying a quantity of cannabis. It is surely not acceptable, any more, (should he be found guilty) to administer the legal equivalent of bruising his knuckles with a couple of tender rappings and tutting judiciously as we export him to continue his nefarious activities elsewhere. It is time to make a stand. If the police have the evidence he should be charged with what he has done. And if he is found guilty he should receive the properly appropriate sentence: one that will leave no drug-runner, pusher or coke-head in any doubt that we are serious when we say NO drugs in the Falklands.

READERS of my occasional contributions to this column may remember, earlier this year, that I urged Government to institute a sports administration with a wide ranging remit to officially represent Sport and Leisure in official circles, a body with the energy and dedication to get things done. This week Councillor John Birmingham, who is the first elected member to hold the newly created portfolio for Sport and Leisure, chaired an open meeting that had the express objective of exploring ideas for the future. He must have been encouraged by the enthusiasm of the 48 citizens (many youngsters among them) who attended to share their views. And views there were; from running tracks to youth workers; from coffee bars to bowling alleys; all expounded in a veritable torrent of words. And right there is the trap I urge the Honourable Member to sidestep. Our youngsters have listened to verbage enough to fill a library. They need action, and they need it now. In around 1400 AD English poet John Lydgate wrote, *woord is but wynd; leff woord and tak the dede*. Sound advice indeed.

Your letters

Society is not secret

MAY I through your columns be allowed to explain some details of FREEMASONRY. The reason for my request follows remarks made over many years by persons who have no conception about what Freemasonry is, or what they are. I had travelled quite extensively until I came to the Islands in January 1984. My family followed a few years later and we made our homes here. Since my arrival I have overheard, on occasions, conversations knocking Freemasonry, between persons who had no idea what they were talking about.

Freemasonry is not a secret society. It is open to any person who is invited to join, no matter what creed or colour they may be. However, the very first rule in Freemasonry is that you must believe in God, and acknowledging that other people's beliefs are worthy of respect opens the opportunity to meet people who might otherwise have remained strangers to you. Members range from Dukes to the ordinary working man.

Freemasonry is an association of societies world wide, each country having their own constitution, or an affiliation to various countries constitutions.

Freemasonry is a charitable organisation helping and assisting the needy as well as their own. It can be traced back to the 1500's and beyond. It is a male dominated society, but in saying that, women have their own Masonic Lodges just as males do, and also do an awful lot of creditable work.

My father spent his last years well looked after in a Masonic home in Dunblane, Scotland, which was a relief to my sister and myself, knowing how well he was

being looked after and enjoying the company of so many friends.

Freemasonry supports the law, the community, the family. It does not interfere in politics or any other beliefs. Their teachings are from the Bible.

Freemasonry is criticised from many quarters and what annoys most critics is that it never defends itself publicly. However, over the last few years Freemasonry has opened its doors to the public. You can visit Freemason's Hall in London and have a guided tour. You can even buy, from good bookshops, books on Freemasonry.

What has been the Freemason's problem? "Their Own Silence", that created mysteries in the public mind in general as, in the past Freemasonry would never reply to any criticism. This has now changed.

Should a member admit to being a Freemason it is the individual member's choice. I am proud to admit I have been a Freemason for 46 years.

I had the pleasure to meet the Duke of Kent, who is Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England, when he visited the Islands, and since he became Grand Master he has encouraged more openness and frankness in the workings of Freemasonry. Leaflets and videos have been produced and we are encouraged to work for the good of others.

Freemasonry is not a sinister network but a charitable force working for the good of mankind and demands contribution and effort from its members in all aspects of life.

Bob Fiddes
Stanley

What price access?

THANKS to the letter from the Chief Executive (*Penguin News*, October 31) we now know how and why the controversial decision was taken to improve the track to

the Argentine cemetery. Could the public also be told the total cost of this operation please?

Robin Pitaluga
Salvador

Public Notice

The Falkland Islands Government invites tenders for the provision of two public receptions to be held in the Town Hall, the first on November 21, 1997, from 6.30-8pm in honour of Sir Rex Hunt, and the second on December 8, 1997, to follow on from the parade held to commemorate the Battle of the Falklands in 1914.

At both receptions a finger buffet for 250 persons, and the provi-

sion of a beer and wine bar service is required. Both receptions are of 1.5 hours duration.

Tenders endorsed 'Provision of Public Receptions' should be forwarded to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat, Stanley, to reach him on or before 3pm on Wednesday, November 12, 1997. The Falkland Islands Government reserves the right to reject any tender received.

Good deed beach-clean means more money for Scouts Chile Jamboree

AT a beach clean-up event organised by the Falkland Islands Scout Group to raise funds to send six of their members to the Scout Jamboree in Chile next year, 12 willing scouts (cubs and leaders) turned up to clear rubbish from an area near the old Beaver Hangar.

With the help of Freda Alazia, Joan Spruce and Lillian Wallace (picking rubbish) and vehicle drivers Trevor Browning and Michael Sackett, ten tons of rubbish were cleared from around the Beaver Hangar, ten tons from the foreshore and paddock, and another

rover and trailer load from near the Jhelum.

Scout leader Phil Middleton said most of the rubbish consisted of wire fencing, wood (pallets, fence posts) machinery, glass, iron bars and pipes, and although most was removed, some had to be left due to lack of time with the lorry lift gear.

On the day (November 1) £100 was raised, however £12000 will be needed to send the chosen scouts to the Jamboree between December 27, 1998 and January 7, 1999. Funds will be raised by the indi-



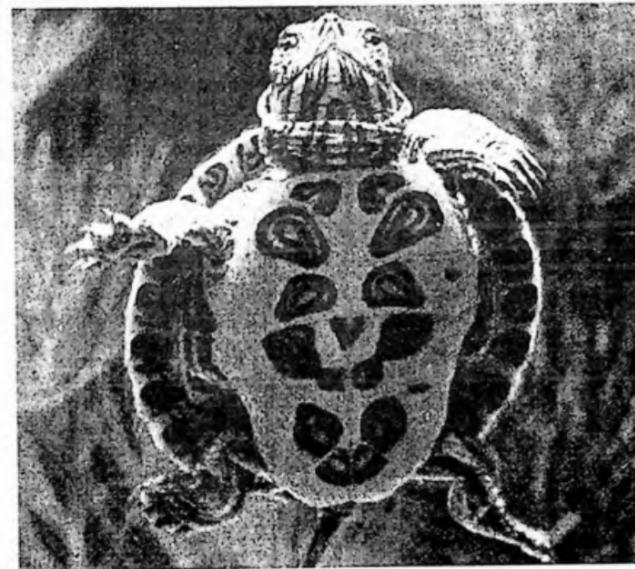
vidual members, by the fund raising committee, and it is hoped, by corporate sponsorship. A separate bank account called "Scouts Jamboree" will be opened to accept donations.

The theme of the Jamboree, said Phil, is 'Building Peace' and

with 24,000 participants from all over the world the event promises to be an incredible blend of people and cultures; with a distinctive South American flavour provided by the hosts.

Above: Jason Short, Teraaka Middleton, Alex Howe, Matthew Strange.
Below: Phil Middleton and Bruce Humphreys

A surprise in the post for Stanley Growers



MARGARET and Dennis Humphreys' cottage in Stanley has been home, for the past few weeks, to six visitors from South America who arrived unexpectedly in a shipment of tropical fish delivered to the Stanley Garden Centre.

The six are young red-eared turtles whose natural habitat is Eastern and Central USA extend-

ing to northwestern Mexico, though they are said to be extremely common in captivity.

Distinctively coloured when young, the turtles grow to a characteristic length of ten to twelve inches. Adult males eventually lose their dappling and darken as they age.

Big turn-out for 'sport leisure youth' meeting

ENCOURAGINGLY for the organisers, a relatively large number of the public attended and joined in the debate at the sport/youth and leisure meeting on Tuesday November 4, including eleven youths. The overriding feeling by the end, with regard to the youth of Stanley, commented one person attending, was that there was an urgent need for some sort of drop-in centre with various facilities. Leisure Centre Manager, Paul Riddell also made the suggestion that creation of a cafe and exercise hall as an extension to the existing Leisure Centre might be desirable.

On the subject of sport, suggestions for future facilities were made, including an all weather running track (a feeling supported in particular by Patrick Watts and Andy Brownlee) a bowling alley, a skating rink and another football pitch. A member of the public also made the suggestion that people could spend time in the United Kingdom attending courses in coaching eg. in sports such as badminton.

A number of those in attendance strongly supported the idea of employing a Sports Develop-

ment Officer.

Another felt a creche facility would be of use, and asked how middle-aged persons who wished to attend such things as aerobics, but were intimidated, could be encouraged to attend? In response it was suggested that similar events should occur for older people in the Junior School Hall.

Among other questions asked of the Leisure Centre Manager, one resident inquired whether thought had been given to extending the opening hours of the Centre. Paul Riddell made the reply that it had been considered but it would require increased staffing.

On the matter of youth, one member of the public felt the Shack should be used to a greater extent by older children, however, it was noted that teenagers were unhappy with this facility because of its small size, and the stigma attached that it existed primarily for young children.

Forty eight members of the public attended the meeting, and the panel consisted of Mrs Marilyn Hall, Councillor John Birmingham and Mr Paul Riddell, Mr Phil Middleton and Mr David Higgins.

Looking back on October

Deaths

2nd October: Edward Bernard Anderson aged 81 years
20th October: George Henry Thompson aged 76 years
22nd October: William Henry Roberts aged 74 years

Births

12th October: Keanu Adrian Bagley to Darren Clive Bagley and Jacqueline Elizabeth Bagley nee Newman
13th October: Daelyn Robert Peck to David John Peck and Alison Emily Robson
16th October: Coban Eriksen to Ulrik Lanshedel Bjorn Eriksen and Michelle Eriksen nee Hirtle
23rd October: Shaun Peter Evans to Michael David Evans and Donna Newell Evans nee Newell

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Public Notice

THE Falkland Islands Government invites tenders from suitably experienced persons for the removal of the remaining furnace fuel oil and scrap at the old Albemarle sealing station to a location yet to be specified and also for the dismantling of the old oil tank and general tidying up of the site of the old sealing station. Further information can be obtained from the Supervising Officer, Mr Tom Eggeling, at the Environmental Planning Office, Malvina Paddock, Stanley.

Tender documents are available from the Secretariat, Stanley and tenders endorsed 'Removal of Oil and Scrap at Albemarle' should be returned to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat, Stanley to reach him on or before 3pm on Wednesday 26 November 1997. The Falkland Islands Government reserves the right to reject any tender received.

PN: 167/97
Ref: FIS/17/1

Vacancy - Scientific fishery Observers

THE Fisheries department has two vacancies for Scientific Fishery Observers for a four month period commencing in February and March 1998. Candidates should be qualified to degree level, preferably in a biological discipline.

Salary will be in grade E ranging from £13,560 per annum to £16,956 per annum, entry point being dependent on the successful applicants' qualifications and relevant experience.

Further information about the post can be obtained from the Observer Co-ordinator, Mr Joost Pompert, on telephone number 27260 during normal working hours. A visit to the department to discuss details of the post would be advisable.

Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4pm on Friday 21st November 1997.

Ref: STF/31A
PN: 166/97

Vacancy - Junior Agricultural Assistant

THE Department of Agriculture will have a vacancy in the New Year for a Junior Agricultural Assistant.

This position would suit a school leaver and will provide an opportunity to work in all aspects of Agriculture within the department. Salary will be in grade I commencing at £8,304 per annum.

Further information about the post can be obtained by contacting Mr Owen Summers or Mrs Mandy McLeod at the Department of Agriculture on telephone number 27355 during normal working hours.

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All's well at Brooklands



Loughborough College (Brooklands House). Falkland Islands' students pose for a photograph for visitors Eric and Shirley Goss on September 28, 1997. Note visitor from Peter Symonds (Photo: E Goss).

Falklands play *Faith* 'flawed' but engrossing

CRITICISED by the *Evening Standard* as "crucially flawed," but praised with the words, "it still engrosses," Meredith Oake's play, set during the Falklands Conflict, played The Royal Court Theatre in London last month.

"John Burgess impressive production," says the *Standard*, "artfully negotiates the split-moment shifts from comedy to brutality." However, the critic Nicholas De Jongh comments that when the protagonist, Sergeant Spier's, suffers

a crisis of conscience over an order to shoot an American mercenary (on the Argentine side) "this core element of the play generates no provocative debate." He adds, "... the dilemma is unreal. Men at war are necessarily obliged to carry out orders."

Much of the drama in the play is based in a farmhouse where resides a 'petulant wife.' Sandra, who had left Brixton to avoid the riots, and finds herself caught up in the Falklands war.

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'Safer for Plutonium ship to go through Strait' say Chilean Navy

SINCE the report in *Penguin News* of September 26, 1997, regarding the news that a ship would be carrying plutonium waste through the Strait of Magellan, the Commander of the Chilean Navy has commented that it would be far safer for such a ship to make the Atlantic-Pacific crossing through the Strait and not around Cape Horn.

Admiral Jorge Martinez Busch, during a short visit to Punta Arenas, explained that there is no set date and there has been no formal request for a possible crossing of the British flagged ship *Pacific Teel* on its route to Japan from England loaded with radioactive material. The Admiral nevertheless pointed out that the vessel carrying highly toxic waste, such as radioactive elements to be recycled in Japan as fuel for energy gener-

ating plants, are specially built and prepared to stand the worst weather conditions.

"If the *Pacific Teel* is to cross the area, according to international convention, Chile should be informed," said Admiral Martinez Busch.

According to unconfirmed reports, the *Pacific Teel* with a radioactive cargo left England on October 19 en route to Japan. If the information is correct this means the vessel will soon have to make a key decision; either turn east sailing round South Africa, or keep heading towards the South Atlantic.

On a previous occasion two years ago, a ship loaded with plutonium (*Pacific Pintail*) and chartered by the same company, sailed across Cape Horn. (MP)

Anglo United restructures

ACCORDING to the *Financial Times*, Anglo United, the heavily indebted fuels, chemicals and trading group, on November 5 announced restructuring plans that will give its Falkland Islands' subsidiary a listing on the London Stock Exchange.

The plans also involve taking Anglo's Coalite smokeless fuel and chemicals business private. The group's problems began with the £500m highly leveraged hos-

tility takeover of Coalite in 1989.

Also on Tuesday, November 4, Councillor Mike Summers (it is reported) reiterated worries that Argentinian companies could purchase a large part of the shares in the Islands' biggest company. While there was no evidence to suggest that they would, "It would be a matter of very considerable concern if they did," he said.

However, Alan Brooks, the article goes on, said the plans were the most effective way to create value for shareholders.

Anglo shareholders will be offered one share in the new Falkland Islands Holdings for every 300 Anglo shares, while the group's banks will lift their stake from 50 to 75 per cent. FIH will then buy the Falkland Islands Group from Coalite Group for £8m.

A move this year to sell Coalite for £24.3m fell through. FIH will be given the option to sell it along with Anglo's other business for £6m to Middlebright which is owned by two of Anglo's directors.

Collins Stewart, Anglo's brokers will place about 2.1m of the banks' FIH shares at 100p, reducing the bank's holding to about 40 per cent. FIH, which controls about 80 per cent of the Falkland Islands' retail sales, will be left with what Anglo described as, "a manageable level of bank debt," of £2m.

However, the group said Middlebright shares were unlikely to have any value because of the high level of debt. The business going to Middlebright had post tax losses of £3.8m in the year to March 31 and net liabilities of £167m.

The listing of FIH is conditional on the Middlebright deal going ahead. Shareholders will vote on the scheme at an extraordinary meeting on December 1, and dealings in FIH shares are expected to begin on January 19. (*Financial Times*).

Bird or bovine TB? Wild cattle tested

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Avian TB (bird TB) said Andrew, is extremely common in many parts of the world, is likely to be common amongst Falkland wild birds, and commonly affects cattle. If the lesions are of this type, which he strongly suspects they will be, such a result will be of no major public or animal health significance. It is uncommon for human beings to contract Avian TB, he added.

A result showing Bovine TB, however, would have some significance with regard to public health, though Andrew wished to emphasise that such a result was very unlikely, as it was believed to have been eradicated from the Falkland Islands.

Asked what would be happening in the mean time (whilst awaiting UK laboratory results) particularly considering cattle from Keppel had been included in the National Beef herd, Andrew explained that *Tuberculin* tests had been ordered, and all adult cattle off Keppel would be tested as soon as possible. (No ex-Keppel beef herd animals are now being sold before Bovine TB has been ruled out).

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Stanley beats Comodoro as oil support base for Falklands

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He named warehouse space and hard standing for pipes and other supplies as areas of principle concern.

Regarding any possible impact on the Islands community the oil executive said that local people should hardly notice the increased industrial activity. The base will probably be run by a permanent staff of only twelve persons, and at any time there should be no more than thirty oil workers in the town.

Although Argentine has failed to win the support base, it seems likely that companies there will gain from supply contracts. Mr Bushell said that Argentine companies had been approached with a view to supplying materials needed by the single rig that is due to drill its first wells in April or May next year. It seems particularly likely that the essential drill pipes will be obtained from Buenos Aires or Comodoro Rivadavia.

Director of Oil, Mrs Phyllis Rendell when invited by *Penguin News* to comment on the decision,

said she had little information at present, and pointed out that this lack of information supported the fact that it had been a purely commercial decision, without interference from the Islands' government. When asked if she thought the decision to use Stanley as an oil base would bring negative repercussions with regard to Argentina's attitude to the exploration of oil around the Islands, Mrs Rendell said she thought this was unlikely. Mrs Rendell qualified her comments by adding that because it was only a relatively short oil exploration programme this decision did not dictate future decisions regarding contracts, and noted that Argentina would still have the chance to be involved through supply contracts.

However, the Argentine Foreign Minister, Guido di Tella commented on Tuesday that he was concerned that politics may have played a part in the decision, which was clearly not favourable to Argentina.

AT the Annual General Meeting of the Royal British Legion it was decided to amend the membership qualification rules to include ex and serving members of the Merchant Navy, in addition to ex and serving

members of H M Forces. At the same meeting, Alan Jones (Chairman) Bob Fiddes (Secretary) and Jim Simpson (Treasurer) were re-elected for another term of office.

The following are clerical vacancies within the Falkland Islands Government:

Clerk, Legislature Department salary ranges from £10,716 to £12,720 per annum in Grade G. For further information about this post contact the Clerk of Councils on telephone number 27451 during normal working hours.

Clerk, Falkland Islands Government Air Service salary ranges from £8,964 in grade H to £12,720 in Grade G. For further information about this post contact the Senior Clerk, FIGAS on telephone number 27291 during normal working hours.

Licensing Clerk, Royal Falkland Islands Police Force salary ranges from £8,964 to £11,208 per annum in Grade H. For further information about this post contact the Senior Clerk, Royal Falkland Islands Police Force on telephone number 27222 during normal working hours.

Clerk Human Resources Department salary ranges from £8,964 in Grade H to £12,720 in grade G. For further information about this post contact the Administrative Officer, Human Resources Department on telephone number 27246 during normal working hours.

Clerk, Medical Department salary ranges from £8,964 in Grade H to £12,720 in Grade G. For further information about this post contact the Administrator, Medical Department on telephone number 27415 during normal working hours.

Application forms and job descriptions for all the above vacancies are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4pm on Wednesday 12th November 1997. Please make it clear at the top of your application form which post or posts you are applying for.

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from the Environmental Research Unit, PO Box 434



AS most people probably guessed, the greatest consumer of sea food is the world's population of humans.

Penguins are the major top-predators in the southern oceans, and their combined populations worldwide consume around 20-25 million tons of fish, squid and crustaceans every year. Even so, the world's commercial fisheries remove about three times that amount every year, and that does not include subsistence fishing that occurs in many countries.

It is often believed that fish are more or less evenly distributed throughout the water, or along the coasts, but this is not the case.

Rather like herds of wildebeest or antelope that you see in documentaries about Africa, fish and squid concentrate together in high concentrations, with low concentration being found in the surrounding ocean.

Penguins are therefore not so much seeking individual prey when they begin to forage, but rather searching for such patches of high concentration where they will remain

to feed. These patches tend to move around, but are generally found within an overall area at particular times of year.

During the breeding season, Gentoos rarely forage further than 20km from their nest-site, with Jackass up to 30km and Rockhoppers 40km. Breeding sites are therefore located near areas of high prey concentration.

The problem is that very large colonies, for example Rockhopper colonies, have so many penguins feeding in these small areas that competition is high. Therefore the breeding success, and in turn the population size of colonies, is often dependent upon the amount of food available within these critical areas. Clearly any long-term reduction in prey abundance within these areas will result in population declines.

And now a question. Who or what are El Niño and El Niña, and why do they concern penguins?

Answer in Penguin Profile: 6

What is El Niño

WHILST chatting about the weather is said to be a British national pastime, analysing reasons for the behaviour of the elements is normally left to the experts. Recently, however, because of the devastation allegedly caused by one particular weather system, the curiosity of the world, and the world press has, particularly over the past year, been piqued by the now legendary El Niño. Due to increased travel between the Islands and El Niño affected Chile, this phenomena has become something of a talking point in the Falklands. This week Penguin News answers your questions about El Niño...

While meteorologists here in the Islands say it is difficult to predict whether the Falklands have, or will be affected by El Niño, our close proximity to South America, where Chile has suffered catastrophic storms and floods, said to be caused by El Niño, suggest it is a possibility.

El Niño...who?

Falkland Islands' residents who had holidays in Chile this year, have been heard to express surprise at the unexpectedly high winds, heavy rainfall, and have even heard of, or observed serious flooding. However, El Niño is not as is sometimes presumed a storm or hurricane in itself, strictly speaking it is only the warm current of water that appears off Peru every two to seven years.

The chain of events leading to the unusual weather, which has also become known as El Niño, begins when the trade winds that usually blow across the Pacific from east to west diminish. As a result, the bulge of warm water that the winds keep bottled up near Indonesia slosh back towards South America. Through teleconnections, this movement of warm water is thought to affect weather worldwide.

(According to a recent article in Newsweek, working out the

teleconnections which explain how a tepid Pacific puddle will also affect snowfall in Boston, winter rain in Los Angeles and wheat prospects in the Midwest is tricky. Why the trade winds diminish is unknown, although it may have to do with something as unrelated as snow cover in Tibet.)

The El Niño effect

In weather terms, few things matter more than where warm ocean spots are. They provide the thermal energy that drives evaporation and hence cloud formation and storms. With warm water having abandoned Indonesia, earlier this year, droughts moved in. New Guinea and Australia also suffered similarly. In Indonesia crops failed, and water was short. In early October the government there reported 271 people dead from famine or cholera blamed on lack of clean water.

The drought allowed forest fires (normally extinguished by monsoons) to burn out of control, the smoke choking places as far away as Brunei, Thailand and the Philippines.

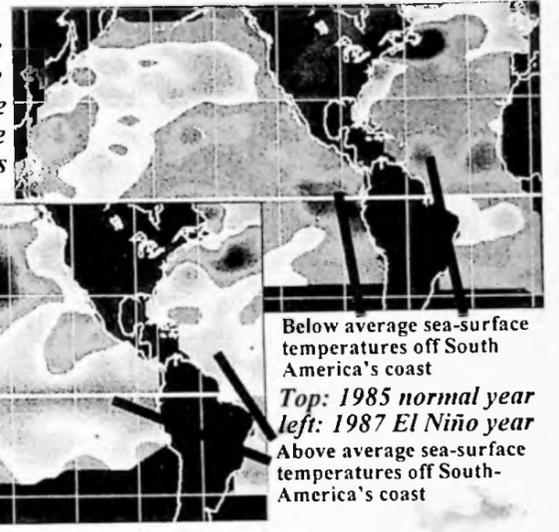
On the other side of the Pacific, a pool of warm water half again as big as the continental

United States which settled there this year, was probably the cause of Northern Chile having nearly a foot of rain. Santiago had more rain in June and July than it normally gets in an entire year. In Peru, snowstorms blanketed the Andes in early August, and floods washed through mountain towns.

That, however, is not all... if the location of the warm pool changes, so does the weather in regions far removed from the tropical Pacific.

El Niño affects other parts of the world using a 'broker', and in this case the 'broker' is atmospheric circulation.

As winter approaches, the jet stream that blows across the Pacific from just off the China coast intensifies. El Niño shifts north. One branch passes over northern British Columbia and misses the United States (thus such areas as the American Northwest, the plains etc. may be warmer than usual). The other branch of the jet stream in an El Niño year starts near Hawaii and moves across Southern California, Arizona, the Gulf States and out to the Carolinas, probably causing an increase in rain and cold.



Below average sea-surface temperatures off South America's coast
Top: 1985 normal year
left: 1987 El Niño year
Above average sea-surface temperatures off South America's coast

What is different about an El Niño year to a normal year?

Normal year:
The trade winds blow from east to west, pulling warm water behind.

El Niño year:
The trade winds slacken, for largely mysterious reasons.

Normal year:
Cold nutrient-rich water wells up from below, supporting the Pacific food chain.

El Niño year:
Stationary warm water prevents up-welling. Fish stocks fall.

Normal year:
A pool of warm water sits off Indonesia, bringing rains to the region.

El Niño year:
the warm water sloshes east, taking the storm clouds with it.

Normal year:
The jet streams deliver rain to Southern Mexico and the Pacific Northwest.

El Niño year:
The jet streams shift north, and so do the rains.

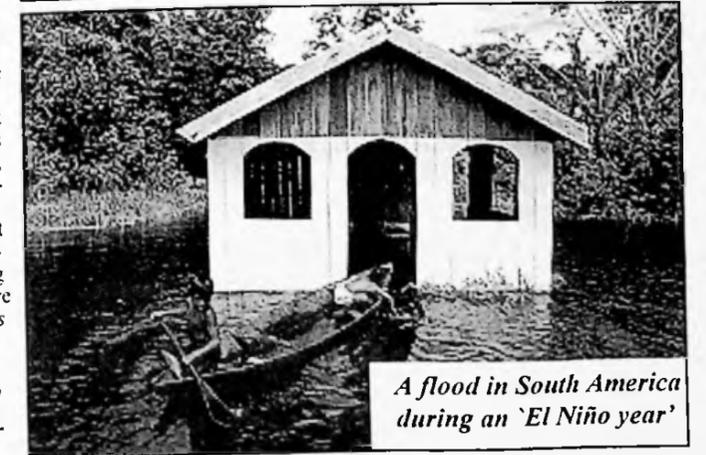
Below the surface of the sea: In El Niño years, the thermocline - the depth where warm surface water meets cold deep water - drops in the east. The cold nutrient-filled water cannot rise, starving plankton and hence fish. (Newsweek, Oct 6, 1997)

The Mischievous kid or Dennis the Menace

ACCORDING to one US journalist, "If group of tourists were looking for the birthplace of El Niño, they would probably end up on the wharf in Callao, a gritty port 20 miles up the coast from Lima, Peru. It was here, more than a quarter century ago, that fishermen first noticed the enormous mass of warm water and air that now churns across the Pacific Ocean every few years: they called it El Niño. Spanish for "the Christ Child," because it always appeared, mysteriously around Christmas.

The fishermen don't think El Niño is so divine anymore, not since 1982, when they watched it kill 300 Peruvians, cause \$1 billion in damages and destroy the vital fisheries industry by driving away its staple, the anchovy... Today, Peruvians are giving it a more appropriate nickname: El Niño Atrevido, meaning *The Mischievous Kid*, or, more loosely, *Dennis the Menace*."

Pictures: Going to extremes...Droughts in Australia (left) and floods in South America have been blamed during particular years on El Niño.. but a meteorologist in the Falklands commented, "the problems in Chile might have happened without El Niño.. nobody knows for certain.."



A flood in South America during an 'El Niño year'

Sources used for PN article: Collins Weather (The ultimate guide to the elements); Newsweek October 6, 1997; Sunday Telegraph September 9, 1997.



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Information Pullout



November 8 - November 14

CHURCH SERVICES

CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY: 8am Holy Communion, 10am Family Communion (first Sunday every month - Family Service) 7pm Evening Prayer

TABERNACLE - free church

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm.
ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm Minister: Mike Mitchellmore 21787

St. MARY'S

SUNDAY: 10am (MPA 6.30pm).
Week days: 9am; Sat. also 5pm

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

SUN: 8am Holy Communion; 10.30am Eucharist/Morning worship; 6.30pm Holy Mass;
MON: 6.30am Mass
WED: 7.30pm Holy communion; 8pm Bible Study Tel: 74350

BAHA'IFAITH

For information on meetings please ring Tel: 21957 (evenings)

TIDES AROUND THE ISLANDS

For Camp, make the following changes:

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Fox Bay + 2hr 30m	SUN	0701	0.8	12	0420	1.5
Roy Cove + 4hrs 30m		1328	1.4		1020	0.4
Port Howard + 3hrs 19m		1956	0.5		1649	1.6
Teal Inlet + 3hrs 30m					2239	0.4
Sea Lion Is. + 1hr 15m				13		
Port Stephens				THURS		
+ 3hrs 15m	10	0236	1.3		0503	1.6
Hill Cove + 4hrs	MON	0826	0.7		1108	0.2
Berkeley Sound + 1hr 11m		1445	1.4		1741	1.7
Port San Carlos		2057	0.5		2324	0.4
+ 2hr 55m						
Darwin Harbour - 56m				14		
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LIBRARY

Monday - Friday
08.45am - 12 noon and
1.30pm - 5.45pm
Saturday: 10am - 12 noon
2pm - 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 Liz Burnett, Tel: 21770 or Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

SQUASH CLUB Thursdays 5-9pm Contact Dik Sawle Tel 21414
NETBALL CLUB Tuesdays 6-8pm, Wednesday 6-7pm All are welcome Contact Sarah Allan 22119

THE FI GUN CLUB New members welcome Contact Ped Tel: 21663 or Graham Didlick 21622 P.O. Box 540

F.I. RIFLE ASSOCIATION Contact Secretary G Cheek, 21402

STANLEY GOLF CLUB Competitions on Sunday at 8.45 am. Contact Mike Summers on tel: 21542
FI MOTORCYCLE ASSOC. All queries & information on races etc contact Andrew Newman 21606 or Rowena Summers 21015

YMCA Accommodation available Contact Terry Peck 21074

ASTHMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets second Tuesday of every third month in Day Centre at 5pm Contact Graham France on 21624
FALKLAND ISLANDS RED CROSS ASSOCIATION New members welcome. Contact Secretary Irene Baker 20839 or Chairman Nick Hadden, 21014
GUILD OF SPINNERS, WEAVERS & HANDICRAFTS Meetings on Wednesday evening at 7.30pm Contact Marj McPhee, tel: 21106
CANCER SUPPORT & AWARE-

NESS TRUST Contact Shiralee Collins, 21597, Sister Bridie 22086, Derek Howatt 21385

FIODA Actors/singers/stagehands contact Alan 21019

DIABETIC ASSOCIATION Meets first Thursday of every month. 7.30pm in the Day Centre
STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB Contact D. Humphreys Tel. 22028

Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm, Fridays 4-5

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB Contact David McLeod Phone: 20836 (day), 20843 (home)

RUNNING CLUB Meets Wednesday 5.30pm, contact Tracy Porter 21574

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION Meets 1st Monday every month @ 2000 hrs, WO1 & Sgt Mess, Hillside Camp. All ex or serving Service persons welcome. Contact A Geach, R Fiddes or KD Greenland for info for 21454 or 27222.

F.I. WESTERN LINE DANCE CLUB: Meets Drill Hall (All welcome) - Mon: 7pm. Contact Tricia Hanlon 21406

STANLEY SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB Friday 7-9pm Sundays 4-5pm. Contact Angela Lee on 21762 or M. Humphreys on 22028

JELLY TOTS CLUB meets Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays at the Day Centre from 2.30 - 4pm. All welcome

WELL BABY/CHILD CLINIC Day Centre KEMH Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am. Contact Miranda Cheek Health Visitor 27418

Leisure Centre Term Times - Further information/Bookings: tel 27291

Day	Pool		Courts
Monday	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming	12.00 - 1.00
	5.00 - 7.00	Public	5.00 - 9.00
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults	
Tuesday	9.30 - 10.30	Public	9.30 - 10.30
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming	12.00 - 1.00
	5.00 - 7.00	Public	5.00 - 9.00
Wednesday	7.00 - 8.00		
	10.30 - 12.00	Hospital/OAP's	12.00 - 1.00
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming	5.00 - 9.00
Thursday	5.00 - 7.00	Public	
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults	10.30 - 12.00
	5.00 - 7.00	Public	12.00 - 1.00
Friday	7.00 - 9.00	Private Hire	5.00 - 9.00
	10.00 - 11.30	Parents/Toddlers	12.00 - 1.00
	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming	5.00 - 9.00
Saturday	5.00 - 7.00	Public	
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults	
	8.00 - 9.00	Private Hire	
Sunday	10.00 - 4.00	Public	10.00 - 6.00
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults	
	10.00 - 4.00	Public	10.00 - 6.00

Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

9.15 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 9.40 ART ATTACK (New)
 10.00 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES
 10.30 LIVE AND KICKING
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Snooker - the penultimate day's play in the Grand Prix from the Bournemouth International Centre; Racing from Newbury; the next instalment of the BOA Olympic magazine series; Football Focus; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.25 TOP OF THE POPS
 6.55 BULLY
 7.05 WHEEL OF FORTUNE
 7.30 DAD
 8.00 NOEL'S HOUSEPARTY
 8.50 CASUALTY Senior consultant Jack Hathaway faces a life-or-death crisis decision when an elderly patient is brought in after a heart attack
 9.40 HAVE I GOT NEWS FOR YOU (New)
 10.10 TOUCHING EVIL (New) DI Creegan takes on the case of three children who have been abducted
 11.05 POND LIFE (Repeat)
 11.20 CRIME LINE (Repeat)
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY There are two of the day's key matches in the FA Carling Premiership, plus goals, news and talking points

SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

10.45 DEAR MR BARKER (New)
 11.00 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.25 BLUE PETER
 11.50 WISE UP
 12.20 SONGS OF PRAISE
 12.55 TWO FAT LADIES
 1.25 THE CHART SHOW
 2.05 TRAVEL SHOW ESSENTIAL GUIDES
 2.15 BROOKSIDE Leo and Gemma start to worry about Mick and the court case
 3.25 SELECTION BOXES
 4.00 HOLIDAY MEMORIES
 4.30 CARTOON TIME
 4.40 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
 5.10 FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP
 7.00 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.30 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT Nick tries to keep the peace in an escalating dispute following a car accident
 9.20 BORN TO RUN Concluding this six-part drama about love, money and marathon running
 10.20 FRIENDS: US comedy series
 10.45 CRIME LINE (Repeat)
 10.55 SECRET HISTORY The Tragedy of HMS Glorious: Historical documentary. In June 1940, aircraft carrier HMS Glorious and her two escort destroyers were sunk in the Norwegian Sea
 11.45 TOTP 2 His from Top of the Pops archives, plus today's hits

MONDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Ruth offers a shoulder for Anne to cry on
 2.30 NAME THAT TUNE (New) with Jools Holland
 2.55 HOLIDAY (New)
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
 4.00 FIREMAN SAM
 4.10 CARTOON CRITTERS
 4.35 FUN HOUSE
 5.05 RECORD BREAKERS
 5.30 HOME AND AWAY Selina and Jesse's break-up is dividing the whole town
 5.50 TOP GEAR
 6.20 MASTERMIND
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Working with Judy and her baby Katie is taking its toll on Rita
 7.45 THE BILL No More Milk: Half a million pounds-worth of counterfeit money and a 14-year-old tearaway give Rawton and Page serious grief
 8.10 CLIVE JAMES ON TV
 8.35 PILGRIMS REST Bob promises to take Pamela to a Status Quo concert, only to find it's sold out
 9.05 SOLDIER, SOLDIER Vera Butcher's extended stay wreaks havoc with her son's love-life, while Lucy's disappearance teaches Fitzpatrick he can't treat his daughter the way he treats his men. Angela McCleod is worried when her house is burgled
 10.00 CLIVE ANDERSON ALL TALK
 10.35 FILM '97
 11.05 CHILDREN IN NEED
 11.15 SOMETHING STRANGE
 11.40 NATIONWIDE FOOTBALL LEAGUE EXTRA

TUESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Sarah's search for employment leads her to the surgery
 2.30 KEN HOM'S HOT WOK
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: JAY'S WORLD

4.00 NAME THAT TOON
 4.25 IT'S A MYSTERY
 4.45 BLUE PETER
 5.15 AGENT Z AND THE PENGUIN FROM MARS (Repeat)
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Chloe and Lachie agree to a casual relationship
 6.00 AUNTIE'S SPORTING BLOOMERS
 6.30 EMMERDALE There is terrible news for the Glovers
 6.55 SCENE HERE
 7.25 EASTENDERS Lorraine and Joe both have questions for the consultant when they make a regular visit to the hospital
 7.55 THE GREAT STORM: 999 SPECIAL
 8.45 PAUL MERTON IN GALTON AND SIMPSON'S COMEDY PLAY-HOUSE
 9.10 DARK SKIES Sci-fi thriller series set in the Sixties. Following the assassination of President Kennedy, Leongard and Sayers learn of a plan to kill world leaders
 10.00 BULLY
 10.40 OASIS: MAD FOR IT
 11.05 PICK 'N' MIX A selection of classic clips from the BBC archive
 11.35 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Toadie's romance is under threat
 2.30 THE AIR SHOW Today a look at the bush pilots of East Africa, executive jets and Hong Kong's Kai Tak airport
 3.00 THE CLOTHES SHOW
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: THE ADVENTURES OF DAWDLE
 4.00 RUGRATS
 4.25 ANIMAL ARK
 4.50 CARTOON TIME Featuring Bugs Bunny
 4.55 THE NOISE SPECIAL: BOYZONE IN BRAZIL
 5.15 THE SCOOP
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Chloe and Lachie's casual relationship starts to become more complicated
 6.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
 6.30 EMMERDALE Terry approaches Steve with his business plan for buying the Woolpack
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Mike crosses swords with Angie
 7.45 THE BILL An Englishman's Home: Garfield and Blake enforce the demolition order on a home extension
 8.10 DRIVING SCHOOL
 8.40 FRIENDS US sitcom
 9.05 IN SEARCH OF DRACULA WITH JONATHAN ROSS
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 FILM BRAM STOKER'S DRACULA (1992,18) A lavish Gothic fantasy set in Eastern Europe and 19th century London

THURSDAY 13TH NOVEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Rebecca has confessions to make to Toadie
 2.30 VISIONS OF SNOWDONIA
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 4.00 SOOTY AND CO
 4.25 GET YOUR OWN BACK
 4.50 BLUE PETER
 5.20 THE O-ZONE
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Fisher freezes on the stage
 6.00 CALL MY BLUFF Hosted by Bob Holness
 6.30 EMMERDALE Billy leaves Andy on his own for the day
 6.55 ANIMAL HOSPITAL
 7.25 EASTENDERS Mary realises that she owes Joe an apology
 7.55 TIGER BAY Beth has been to the surgery and Sonny is in for a shock. Kim is left in charge of Paul, but Helen can't track her down
 8.25 CHILDREN IN NEED (Repeat)
 8.35 UNDERCOVER CUSTOMS (New)
 9.00 SHOOTING STARS (New)
 9.30 ROOM 101 Tonight, it's comedian Arthur Smith
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 THE PROVOS Documentary
 11.30 GOOD STUFF COMEDY
 11.55 THE CHAIR Psychologist Oliver James talks to George Graham, manager of Leeds United Football Club

FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

2.10 NEIGHBOURS Darren and Debbie's friendship blossoms
 2.30 AN INSPECTOR CALLS
 2.55 COMEDY CLASSIC: DAD'S ARMY
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: MOOMIN
 4.15 PENNSYLVANIA PET SHOP
 4.40 MR WYMI
 5.00 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
 5.10 SUNNY'S EARS (New)
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Tim finds out the real reason why Sally has been so moody
 6.00 SPACE CADETS
 6.25 THE WHITBREAD: THE WORLD'S GREATEST OCEAN RACE
 6.55 SCENE HERE
 7.25 EASTENDERS Joe and Mary are the topic of gossip in Albert Square
 7.55 PIE IN THE SKY
 8.45 MICHAEL BARRYMORE'S STRIKE IT RICH
 9.10 THE BROKER'S MAN Drama series of two-part stories starring Kevin

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

Whately as Jimmy Griffin, a former policeman now working as an insurance investigator
 10.00 RORY MCGRATH'S COMMERCIAL BREAKDOWN Rory McGrath takes over the hot seat vacated by Jasper Carrott to present a collection of weird and witty telly adverts
 10.30 FAMILY MONEY After Fran is injured and suffers from amnesia as a result of intervening in a street brawl, her family suggests that she sell her house and release some family money
 11.25 TFI FRIDAY

SATURDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

9.15 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 9.40 ART ATTACK (New)
 10.00 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES
 10.30 LIVE AND KICKING
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Racing from Ascot; Women's International Hockey; Motor Racing - the RAC Tourist Trophy; Football Focus; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.25 TOP OF THE POPS
 6.55 BULLY - SURVIVAL GUIDE
 7.05 WHEEL OF FORTUNE
 7.30 DAD
 8.00 NOEL'S HOUSEPARTY
 8.50 CASUALTY
 9.40 HAVE I GOT NEWS FOR YOU
 10.10 TOUCHING EVIL
 11.05 DROP THE DEAD DONKEY
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY

SUNDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

10.45 DEAR MR BARKER
 11.00 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.25 BLUE PETER
 11.50 WISE UP
 12.20 SONGS OF PRAISE
 12.55 TWO FAT LADIES
 1.25 THE CHART SHOW
 2.05 TRAVEL SHOW ESSENTIAL GUIDES
 2.15 BROOKSIDE
 3.25 THIS IS YOUR LIFE (New)
 3.55 HOLIDAY MEMORIES
 4.25 CARTOON TIME
 4.40 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
 5.05 AUNTIE'S TV FAVOURITES
 5.35 THE DAY THAT CHANGED MY LIFE
 6.05 IN THE WILD
 7.00 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.30 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT
 9.20 FRIENDS
 9.45 MURDER ONE (New)
 11.10 SECRET HISTORY The Tragedy of HMS Glorious
 12.00 TOTP 2
 The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY November 8

6.00 News BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.30 News and Sport from five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Mr Lucky
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 The Italian Renaissance
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY November 9

5.00 News: BFBS
 5.03 Music Fill
 5.15 Dessert Island Discs
 6.00 Music Fill
 6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service-Tabernacle
 8.00 Sports Roundup
 8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didlick
 8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.00 News Desk
 9.30 The Old Curiosity Shop
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS
 10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS

MONDAY November 10

10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS

TUESDAY November 11

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS

12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S. Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The Late Afternoon Show
 6.00 Country Crossroads
 6.30 The Grumbleweeds
 7.00 Hoplite to Harrier
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 BBC Story of Pop
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 Boogie up the River
 10.00 News BFBS

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Review of CD's of the week
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 5.45 St. News
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert - James
 7.30 News and Sports
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Eric Clapton Story Part 3
 8.30 Paths of Inspiration
 9.00 News desk from the BBC

9.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 9.30 Repeat News Magazine
 10.00 News BFBS
 10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 BFBS Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Late Afternoon Show
 5.45 The Folk Show Rpt
 6.30 Just a minute
 7.00 Schubert's winter journey
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Classics Hour
 9.00 News Desk from BBC
 9.28 Rpt. weather & flights
 9.30 So much blood Pt 3
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News from BFBS

WEDNESDAY November 12

10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Annos
 BFBS Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Music Fill
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CLARIN

Menem will go to London - no talks on Falklands

It is the first time that an Argentine president will go to Great Britain since the 1982 war. It has been a permanent aim of Menem's diplomatic policy. The visit is scheduled for the end of 1998. The agenda will exclude negotiations concerning the sovereignty of the Islands.

Invitation to Menem to visit England next year

The announcement was made yesterday by the English foreign minister to Di Tella. Menem will be the first Argentine president to travel to London since the 1982 war. The invitation is because of the increase in commercial relations.

Finally, the British government of Tony Blair has officially invited President Carlos Menem to visit London during the second half of next year. The date is yet to be fixed. With a relieved smile, Foreign minister Di Tella received the best news of his period as minister, during an hour long meeting with his British colleague Robin Cook, in the Foreign Office.

As soon as he left the meeting, Di Tella immediately telephoned Government House, from the car which was taking him to the Argentine embassy, but he could not speak to the President until he woke up from an afternoon nap at seven in the evening.

Di Tella chose the economic achievement in the relations between both countries to explain why the invitation was issued, after years of trying to obtain one.

Summarising the economic development, Cook said that it has been, "so outstanding and expansive in commercial aspects and investments that this means something perfectly natural between the two countries would happen - the invitation for the President to visit the United Kingdom, during the second half of 1998," the Minister told *Clarín*, during an interview at the Argentine Embassy in London.

On the other hand the Foreign Office was more cautious when announcing the news of the year for the Menem administration, after 33 visits of Foreign Minister Di Tella to London. The spokesman said that the British government had invited President Menem, "during the second half of 1998," and that the "agenda is not worked out yet."

Di Tella, on his part, said that during the visit the Falklands conflict will not be mentioned, the

"Foreign Office spokesman answered with an elegant, "no comment," when he was asked if the sovereignty issue would be discussed.

In accordance with rigid British protocol, as it is an official and not state visit Menem will not be able to fulfil his dream of having tea with the Queen, as his Brazilian colleague President Fernando Enrique Cardoso will do soon.

But, Menem, achieved, following several self-invitations, his aim of becoming the first Argentine president to visit Great Britain since the Falklands' war in 1982.

But protocol won't allow Menem to kiss the Queen's hand, nor will he stay at Buckingham Palace, nor will there be Argentine flags in the Boulevard which joins Trafalgar Square with the Palace, nor gold coaches, like that which recently carried President Nelson Mandela.

The date for the visit has not been fixed yet. What is known is that during the visit Menem will inaugurate an Argentine Chair at Oxford University, in the Saint Anthony College, which specialises in Latin America, and he will visit the Confederation of British industry.

With a touch of humour, Foreign Minister Di Tella, rubbed his wrist, a sign of political skill, when *Clarín* asked him how he had been able to convince Robin Cook to issue the invitation. "This relationship is 98% fine. So it is absolutely justifiable that the first decision of this Government is a presidential invitation," he said.

"It was possible thanks to a change of people and ideas," he said enthusiastically, referring to the new Labour government, following years of the Conservatives. The previous Prime Minister John Major had invited Menem, to London, but a date was never established.

Asked about other issues on the agenda with Cook, Di Tella said "In the issue of ecological preservation (in oil exploration) things are fine. The fishing agreement is more complicated."

Then a Kelper journalist told Di Tella that the oil companies which won the tender for the waters to the North of the Falklands had decided, "for commercial reasons," to set up their base in Port Stanley and not Comodoro Rivadavia, as Di Tella had hoped. "I hope that it is for commercial and not political reasons," said Di Tella.

On the other hand Di Tella denied having discussed the British arms embargo to Argentina, "so as not to put him in a difficult situation, because they have maintained this measure after the United States

has nominated us extra-NATO allies."

The statements of United States President Bill Clinton during his visit to Argentina, about the need to resume Anglo-Argentine negotiations concerning the Falklands were discussed by Cook and Di Tella. "I pointed out to him that President Menem had never discussed mediation with Clinton." (ends)

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Opinion by Lucio Garcia Del Solar - Ambassador and former negotiator concerning the Falklands

The President shouldn't go

In 1991 the president spoke about his wish to officially visit the United Kingdom, two years after relations with Argentina - interrupted by the Falklands' war - had become normal again, during which a friendly relationship had been established, characterised at times by very intense links.

The reaction of the British Conservative government was cold and the prolonged wait turned the visit to London into an objective of foreign policy. Not slow, or lazy, the Foreign Office sought to exchange it, among other things, for a long term fishing agreement, vital to the United Kingdom, in our waters in dispute.

A presidential visit should never be the fundamental objective of foreign policy. It is an event of protocol and a celebration which shows the friendship between two peoples and two governments. But, if there has been a war, the visit can take on a special symbolic value, if the deep feelings of the people who lost are satisfied in their minimum hopes.

It is true that it is the British Government which encourages commercial exchange, promotes important investments, and gives support to the international financial organisms. But, it has assumed the position that Argentina, having lost the war, must give up its claim concerning sovereignty of the Falklands, no matter what the Constitution, our government and the United Nations say. They claim then that the matter must not be discussed and our diplomats have been able to do absolutely nothing to move the British a millimetre from their position.

So it seems that the trip should only take place when, at least, it is announced that both sides have agreed on a plan to resume negotiations to solve the dispute. That would be not only the most productive reason for a visit but the most decorative (ends)

Opinion by Andres Cisneros
Vice-Foreign Minister

A display of realism

During the last fifteen years,

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both in Argentina and Great Britain, two positions could be seen appearing, concerning the relations between both countries and particularly the Falklands' issue: There were those who were set upon maintaining sterile confrontations, and there were those who sought ways to overcome, gradually and definitely, the causes of the conflicts which exist between both countries.

A European government officially inviting President Carlos Menem to visit has been a regular event and quite normal. The President has been received in all the countries of the Old Continent (and by several of them more than once). It was the absence of an invitation on the part of the United Kingdom government which was unusual and inexplicable, and which led to interpretations of all kinds - generally negative.

There was no bartering

On inviting the Argentine president (during the meeting between Foreign Minister Di Tella and his colleague Robin Cook), British diplomacy acted using realism, and re-engaged, in this aspect, normal ways which other aspects follow, and which Argentina had wanted to follow since diplomatic relations were re-established in 1990. The invitation is in the United Kingdom's best interest and does not come about because of any negotiations or bartering (which, in spite of everything, the 'always pessimistic' will assure.)

Making matters normal in this area, accompanies, finally, commercial relations, incoming investments and the constructive negotiations concerning oil in the area in dispute or the negotiations concerning fishing, where there are few novelties.

A normal relationship, is the way, by which, sooner or later, we will make our rights valued and we will accomplish what is laid down in the National Constitution. (ends)



British press Headline stories: Oct 31 - Nov 6

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR FRIDAY 31 OCTOBER 1997 US BRITISH NANNY FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER

The main story in today's British newspapers is the fate of the 19-year-old British au pair, Louise Woodward, who was accused of murdering the baby in her care. The papers went to press before the guilty verdict was announced. *The Mirror* has the headline, 'Louise Torture' as she waited for the verdict. *The Guardian* highlights comments by the judge telling the jury to get on with it. The inside pages in *The Sun* and *The Times* criticise the way young girls are often used as cheap labour to look after children in the United States and quote British lawyers as saying the trial has highlighted the worst aspects of the American justice system where lawyers often seek publicity in high profile cases.

CONSERVATIVE PARTY SINGLE CURRENCY ROW

The row in Britain's opposition Conservative party about its policy to oppose a single European currency is again a headline story. Following the resignation of one senior pro-European Conservative earlier in the week, several papers highlight statements by the former Deputy Prime Minister, Michael Heseltine, who said the policy was not in the national interest. Britain, he said, would have to join sooner or later. *The Times* says that with the former Conservative finance minister, Kenneth Clarke, also opposed to the current policy, senior Tories fear the party's agony over Europe could continue right up to the next election. *The Independent* says both sides are digging in for a long, vicious civil war leaving the leadership of William Hague in deep crisis. *The Financial Times* and *The Guardian* headline comments by German officials that Chancellor Kohl wants to make it as easy as possible for a British Government to join a single currency as soon as it is prepared to do so.

UK TO OUTLAW DRIFT-NETS

The Independent on its front page has a colour picture of two leaping dolphins to highlight the story that Britain is to use its presidency of the European Union next year to outlaw the huge drift-nets used by tuna fishermen which have killed thousands of dolphins. The paper says there is an overwhelming level of support for the move

across Europe.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 1997

BRITISH AU PAIR TRIAL
Many of the front pages are again dominated by the case of Louise Woodward - the British au pair jailed in the United States for the murder of a baby in her care. *The Independent* speaks of another extraordinary day of anguish in Cambridge, Massachusetts, as a crowd of demonstrators called for Miss Woodward's release - while her lawyers were submitting arguments for her conviction to be overturned. *The Daily Mail* is among those focusing on the news that she is now ready to accept an alternative conviction for manslaughter. The paper says it has been told by Miss Woodward's parents that the option is seen as the best way of winning her freedom. *The Sun*'s front page is dominated by a picture of Louise Woodward's grandmother. According to the paper she has written to the trial judge, begging him to show mercy.

**'FRENCH LORRY DRIVERS'
STRIKE**
There is also front page coverage of the French truck drivers' strike. *The Financial Times* sees little hope of an early end to the nationwide blockade, saying the tension between the unions and employers is still raw from a similar trial of strength a year ago. According to the *Daily Telegraph*, the effectiveness of the strikers' tactics was demonstrated on the first full day of the dispute - as petrol stations ran dry and roads to the Channel ports were clogged. *The Independent* notes that the French police intervened to clear some barricades, but *The Times* suggests this may provide only short-term relief. According to the paper, the unions have vowed to play 'cat and mouse' with the police - lifting blockades when pressed to do so, and then raising them elsewhere.

**UN WEAPONS
INSPECTIONS IN IRAQ**
The latest developments in the dispute over United Nations weapons inspections in Iraq are covered on the inside pages. *The Guardian* speaks of the Iraqis upping the stakes by threatening to shoot down an American surveillance plane. But *The Financial Times* says the despatch of a UN diplomatic mission to Baghdad marks a slight easing of tension.

ROYAL VISIT TO SOUTH

AFRICA

Both the *Telegraph* and *The Times* give prominence to reports of a visit by the Prince of Wales and his younger son, Prince Harry, to a Zulu village in South Africa. *The Times* pictures the royal party being welcomed by a troupe of dancing girls - remarking that it ended a memorable week for Prince Harry as he prepared to fly home to school.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR WEDNESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER 1997

BRITISH AU PAIR TRIAL
Many front pages are again dominated by reports of the court hearing in the United States - at which lawyers acting for the British au pair, Louise Woodward, argued that her conviction for the murder of a baby in her care should be overturned. Most papers focus on the news that the judge is to give his ruling on the Internet. In *The Mirror*'s words, 'it's a bizarre move'. But *The Guardian* says the decision is an acknowledgement of the intense international interest in the case.

ROYAL SOUTH AFRICAN TOUR

Both *The Times* and the *Daily Telegraph* give prominence to the tribute paid by the Prince of Wales to the charity work of his former wife, Princess Diana. *The Times* says his comments, at a dinner in South Africa, were aimed at healing a rift with the Princess's family following the strongly-worded funeral address given by her brother, Earl Spencer. Prince Charles himself is praised by *The Sun*. In its comments column, the paper remarks that during his South African tour he has looked at his most relaxed for years.

FRENCH LORRY DRIVERS' STRIKE

The French truck drivers' strike makes front page headlines in *The Telegraph* and the *Financial Times*. According to the *Financial Times*, the British Prime Minister, Tony Blair, has warned the French government that the dispute could overshadow an Anglo-French summit in London this week. Mr Blair has said he expects the French authorities to guarantee the safety of British drivers caught up in the strike.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE FINANCIAL CRISIS

The broadsheets devote much attention to reports that one of the main opera houses in London is on the brink of insolvency. The scale of the financial crisis at the Royal Opera House in Covent Garden was disclosed by its chairman, Lord Chadlington, when he appeared before a parliamentary committee yesterday. *The Guardian*, which leads with the story, says it is the latest in a series of blows to have revealed the dire plight of one of the world's great opera houses.

MEDICAL RESEARCH BREAKTHROUGH

The Independent leads its front page with a report that British scientists have developed a revolu-

tionary technique for repairing damaged brain tissue. The paper hails the research - by a team of Doctors in London - as one of the most exciting breakthroughs in medical science for years. It says the technique, which involves injecting embryonic brain cells, may help reverse some of the most tragic brain disorders, such as Alzheimer's and Parkinson's Disease.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR THURSDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 1997

TOBACCO SPONSORSHIP BAN

Britain's six-month-old Labour Government comes in for near-universal criticism in Thursday's papers for its decision to exempt Formula One motor racing from its proposed ban on tobacco sponsorship in sport. Many commentaries make play with the wording of the health warning carried on cigarette packets. An editorial in the *Financial Times* declares: 'Warning! A promise to ban tobacco advertising can seriously damage your credibility.' The *Financial Times* says that far from making one of the 'hard choices' promised by the Prime Minister, Tony Blair, the Government now stands convicted of a humiliating compromise.

Some of the strongest criticism comes from those traditionally sympathetic to Labour. The left-wing *Guardian* denounces what it calls 'a major victory by the merchants of death', saying Labour has made a humiliating retreat on its plan to ban tobacco promotion. Pathetically, says the paper, Ministers caved in without putting up a fight. About the only welcome for the decision comes from the *Daily Express*, one of the staunchest supporters of the previous Conservative Government. Anyone opposed to censorship and other 'nanny' restrictions on basic freedoms, says the *Express*, will be delighted at the move.

GLOBAL POVERTY

The Times criticises the Government's new proposals for helping to tackle global poverty by reforming the country's overseas aid programme. The paper casts doubt on the credibility of the long-term aim of halving the 1.3 billion people who subsist on the equivalent of a dollar a day. Aid aimed at the very poorest, the *Times* believes, almost always misses its target, whereas raising overall income through rapid economic growth increases the choices available to everybody.

21ST CENTURY ANTIQUES

Finally, some tips from the mass-circulation *Sun* on the likely antiques of the next century. With the pace of technology outdating electronic equipment so quickly, the *Sun* suggests that mobile phones and disposable cameras could well become sought after. Other everyday objects it recommends stashing away now as future collectors' items are theatre programmes, first novels and saucy seaside postcards.



News from South America

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NEW ARMY CHIEF FOR CHILE

A widely respected career officer with no human rights violations record will replace former dictator General Augusto Pinochet as Commander in Chief of the Chilean Army.

The nomination, by President Eduardo Frei, of General Ricardo Izurieta, 28 years younger than Pinochet, (81), was praised by opposition leaders and is interpreted as a radical change in the relations between Chilean military and civilian authorities. "This is a clear indication that Chile is in the process of consolidating a truly democratic regime. Izurieta will contribute to a better understanding with the military," said Socialist Senator Carlos Ominami.

General Izurieta, (54) was chosen from a list of five finalists presented to President Eduardo Frei by Pinochet who must step down as Army chief next March after almost 25 years in power.

Izurieta a former military attaché to the United States and Israel comes from a three generation military family and is currently the Chilean Army Chief of Staff. Considered a truly professional officer, during the Pinochet regime he held basic duties while other officers played political roles.

But the naming of Izurieta does not herald the final exit for Pinochet: on November 25th civilian followers an admirers will celebrate in several cities his 82nd birthday, while the old dictator prepares to become a Senator for life, according to the ruling Constitution written by his 1973-90 military regime.

ADVERSE WEEK FOR BRAZIL

The first week of November was not the best of times for Brazil and for President Cardoso's hopes of being re-elected next October '98. Not only has the Central Bank's decision to double interest rates to fend off a speculative attack on the Real, soured public opinion, but the whole country witnessed on television the forced destruction of the first Brazilian space rocket when one of the four engines failed to ignite.

"Controllers destroyed the rocket by remote control as a precautionary measure 65 seconds after lift off," explained Colonel Thiago da Silva Ribeiro at the

Alcantara base from Brazil's Space Agency in the north east state of Maranhao.

The rocket was to carry Brazil's second Data Gathering Satellite into earth orbit to collect information on the environment, and if successful would have completed a 15 year project to place the country on the short list of space age nations.

And as the remains of Brazilian technological pride plunged into the Atlantic, in Sao Paulo, public opinion polls registered one of President Cardoso's worst ratings: 25% of those surveyed were dissatisfied with his government and nearly 45% said they would be forced to reduce their Christmas shopping because of the strict restrictions. (Brazil has an annual inflation below 10% but 43% annualised interest rates). Another 42% anticipated an economic slowdown for 1998 and an increase in unemployment. Not very encouraging news for President Cardoso and his ambition to obtain another four years mandate next October.

POLITICAL TURMOIL IN PARAGUAY

Paraguay, in the heartland of South America, famous for its long standing military rule, and allegedly the refuge of many Nazi war criminals, but also the land of Jose Luis Chilabert, currently the best goalkeeper in the world, is in the midst of political turmoil.

In the process of becoming a full democracy since 1990, when relatively fraud-free elections were held for the first time, Paraguay is currently preparing for next year's presidential elections. The front line candidate is former Army Commander in Chief General Lino Oviedo, who patronised the present civilian president, Carlos Wasmosy, and the man who in 1989 led the troops in a bloody coup to oust Paraguay's last dictator.

But General Oviedo does not have the blessing of the US Department of State nor does his former protegee want to hand him the presidential office. Oviedo is also accused of conspiring in early '97 to replace Wasmosy, an attempt allegedly aborted by strong warnings from Brazil and Argentina.

But confident of the Army and Police forces' support, plus the

votes of the peasants and poor city dwellers, Oviedo is openly challenging President Wasmosy who he describes as the, "most corrupt person in Paraguay".

Wasmosy unsuccessfully first attempted to block Oviedo's nomination; then, to have him jailed following a Court ruling to no avail; and now after raiding his residence and discovering "subversive" plans and literature, to demote him from the Army.

Oviedo hiding in a farm not far from Asuncion and in permanent contact with the press, assures his followers he will be Paraguay's next president and his first job will be to jail all corrupt officials.

Paraguay doesn't make world headlines very often, but General Oviedo has even managed to attract the attention of President Clinton. During his recent visit to Brazil and Argentina, Clinton went out of his way and thanked both countries for helping prevent the interruption of democratic rule in Paraguay.

FLOODS LEAVE THOUSANDS HOMELESS

Thousands of people have been evacuated along the river Uruguay which starts in the heartland of South America and runs for hundreds of miles sharing its water, and formidable power between Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay, before flowing into the River Plate.

Heavy rainfall all along the basin, has pushed the river Uruguay fourteen and a half metres above its normal level, flooding coastal villages, threatening major cities and anticipating a potential sanitary emergency. According to the Uruguayan Contingency Committee, over 12,000 in Argentina, 4,500 in Uruguay and 9,000 people in Brazil have had to abandon their homes and are living in makeshift community centres or Army tents. The worst hit area is next to the twin cities of Concordia (Argentina) and Salto (Uruguay) where a huge dam, *Salto Grande*, which can generate up to a third of Uruguay's electricity demand, is regulating the incoming avalanche of water so as to contain further flooding to the south. But the current level of the lake, over 34 metres, is too close to the maximum 36 metres, and still rising.

In the event of reaching the critical mark, and the outlet of water proves to be insufficient, the Contingency Committee has plans to dynamite the clay embankments at each end to ease the pressure on the main body of the dam. If this happens, officials estimate another 12,000 people would have to be rescued from the advancing floods.

**"HAKE" PROTEST IN
ARGENTINA**
Greenpeace activists openly criticised Argentine fishing authorities on radio and during a colourful demonstration staged in Plaza de Mayo wearing fish heads and holding banners which read: "The hake crisis has one name: Sola."

The demonstration was targeting Argentine Agriculture and Fishing Secretary Felipe Sola for

having made no attempt to stop hake fishing, despite quotas reaching the 400,000 tons saturation point several weeks before the season is officially called off. "All we are asking of Sola is that he takes measures and uses an element of precaution, and acts now before it's too late. We're too close to the point of extinction," said Emiliano Ezcurra, Greenpeace Coordinator.

Official figures value the hussii hake as the main Argentine catch, generating 300 million US dollars in overseas sales and jobs for 25,000 people.

During the protest demonstrators carried frozen hake 80 centimetres long and weighing 2.5 kilos, the correct size, but also samples 25 centimetres long and just weighing 300 grams. "Ignoring the fact that fish is a renewable resource can rapidly lead us to a depleted ocean without fish and fishermen. This is the eighth year running that hake has been over fished," stressed Ezcurra.

Responding to criticism, Fisheries Secretary Hector Salamanca said that Argentina will have sufficient hake resources, but the problem is that "fishing rules are not respected".

MEASLES VACCINATION IN CHILE

Chile has begun a national measles vaccination campaign targeted to the 20 to 35 age group after a bout of the disease was reported last September with over 45 cases in just one month.

Three risk groups have been identified following an epidemic that broke out in a hotel in the south of Chile where most tourists are Brazilians, a country where 10,000 cases have been reported so far this year. In the first group are all those workers which come in contact with foreigners, that is hotels, shipping, airlines, tourist operators; a second group includes those working with newly born children and finally all hospital and medical school staff.

Chilean authorities expect to vaccinate a total of 230,000 people, not necessarily the whole age group since many already have been inoculated during the 1992 and 1996, 1 to 19 years old campaigns.

Dr. Irene Leal, head of the campaign indicated that the special vaccination period will extend until November 27th and reminded all mothers that toddlers have to be given the measles shots before they are one year old.

DEMOCRATIC RECORD FOR ARGENTINA

BUENOS AIRES - After decades of institutional problems, Argentina reached this week a new record, with 5,078 days of uninterrupted democracy since former president Raul Alfonsin took office on December 10, 1983.

The previous record of 5,077 days was set during the presidencies of Hipolito Irigoyen and Marcelo T. Alvear between 1916 and 1930.

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The boy's dream comes true

Carlos Menem will visit London next year, accomplishing a personal dream. The visit will be official, but not a state one, an essential element of protocol which means that the fairytale dream of dinner or (at least) tea with Queen Elizabeth II, Head of State and the Armed Forces, will not take place. Foreign Minister Di Tella was visibly content: he has guaranteed his job in the Cabinet until 1999. With a tired face, but smiling, Di Tella announced the visit of the first Argentine president to these islands. "We are very happy," he said during a press conference at the Argentine Embassy in London. Ambassador Rogelio Pflirter, at his side. He added that to return the gesture he had invited the British Foreign Minister, Robin Cook, to visit Argentina and that he would be, "more than happy to invite." British Prime Minister, Tony Blair.

The only uncertainty in all this seemed to be the date for the visit. "It will be during the second half of 1998," said the Argentine Foreign Minister. "Who said that?" said a spokesperson from the Foreign Office after repeating, somewhat robot-like, that the relations between both countries are excellent etc. etc. When it was explained to him that it was the Argentine Foreign Minister who said it, he answered, "the visit is, as has been said, next year, but a precise date has yet to be fixed." Questioned as to the difference between a state and an official visit the spokesperson answered, "I am not an expert in protocol."

The difference between one kind of visit and the other is not merely protocol. On one hand there is the visit the Brazilian President Fernando Henrique de Cardoso will carry out next month to London. The other great country in Mercosur should not receive different treatment. But, besides this, are the characteristics of the first visit of an Argentine President to Great Britain since the 1982 war. "The visit has to be a success. It is necessary to avoid embarrassments. There are people in the armed forces who probably don't agree with the visit and the Queen is the head of the armed forces," said Charles Jones, an expert in international relations, specialising in Argentina at Warwick University, to *Pagina 12*.

Menem's visit to Great Britain, has been something which has been discussed for such a long time that the Argentine specialist from *The Economist*, present at the press conference, asked why the Foreign Office issued the invitation now. "Was it because there had been a change of government in this country. Different people with different ideas. The Conservatives wanted a long term agreement concerning fishing first.

And things got complicated with two decisions taken by the Conservative government concerning fishing, which in our opinion violate the Camelar agreement," answered Di Tella.

The Foreign Minister also gave another reason for the invitation: the excellent economic relations with Great Britain. "At the moment we have bilateral trade of a thousand million dollars, which will grow to three thousand million by the year 2000," said Di Tella. The Argentine Ambassador in London, Rogelio Pflirter, speaking to *Pagina 12*, added the relationship is excellent in all aspects. "This can even be seen in international relations, on which we have a similar point of view, in the World Trade Organisation, where both countries support free trade."

"Do you consider that this visit is a victory of your 'charm offensive', the seduction policy, or is it completely unrelated?" *Pagina 12* asked Di Tella. "I wish to point out that the 'charm offensive' does not mean that one has to be kind instead of grotesque. In reference to the South Atlantic it means we are making an effort to recognise the existence of a community which is crucial as far as British decision taking is concerned. We believe that it will not be possible to reach a solution without taking into account the Islanders' opinion. So we have two thousand people with whom we want to have good relations, because they have political weight, not legal, but it is a fact. So, when we have good relations we can solve the problem. If not, we will never do it. That means we hope to be very charming when we come here, but that is not part of the offensive, just a general feeling."

If he did not triumph with his "charm offensive" towards the Islanders, the Foreign Minister can offer, on a silver platter, something which has been seducing President Menem, for a long time. And thus he becomes the only indispensable minister in the government: the only survivor of the shock waves of the electoral earthquake of October 26th.

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Britons and Argentines agree Menem can visit

The opportunity chosen by the British government to invite President Carlos Menem on an official visit is due to Tony Blair's commitments abroad and not because of the Argentine political situation, assured sources at the British Embassy. "The invitation has been issued now, because the Foreign Minister thought it convenient and because of his priorities," indicated the sources. Concerning the only polemical issue between the two governments - leaving the sovereignty of the Falkland Islands to one side - fishing in the South Atlantic, there are not, nor will there be for the time being, novelties, said officials from both governments.

A spokesperson for the Argentine Foreign Ministry said that

among the reasons why the invitation took place yesterday was because of the "change of government" in Great Britain, and the fact that, "Argentina was declared an extra-NATO ally by the United States. It gives the impression that the British Government is seeing reality and that the Argentine President has already visited countries in Europe, the Far East, and the United States," several of those ally countries of Great Britain. For the invitation to be postponed made no common sense. "But, why now?" insisted the reporter. "It's a sign that the relationship is very good." However, the spokesperson admitted that there is, "still a point on which we have a misunderstanding, which is the Falklands, but the relationship is very good in all respects."

A press release from British Ambassador William Marsden said that, "the bilateral relations have improved notably in the last few years," and that the news of Menem's visit gives him "great pleasure". One of the embassy officials, speaking off the record, said that the invitation, "had nothing to do with Argentine policy, but was because of the British government. Blair came into office in May and had a very full agenda. The priorities (in foreign policy) were dealing with European issues and only now has Menem's visit been looked into."

Really, the invitation had been issued in 1995, when Argentina and Great Britain signed an agreement in New York concerning co-operation in oil exploration in the South Atlantic. At the time, then British Prime Minister John Major said that the visit should take place when there was nothing which could tarnish the bilateral relationship, an argument Foreign Minister Guido Di Tella, later used himself.

There is only one pending agreement concerning fishing in the water around the Georgias, also under dispute. The negotiations are at a standstill because of great differences. International analysts speculated yesterday that the invitation will bring along with it the resumption of negotiations in this matter.

According to the Argentine Ambassador in London, Rogelio Pflirter, the issue will not be resolved for now. Pflirter told the *Pagina 12* correspondent in London that there is no commitment on the matter. Exactly the same as the British Embassy sources said.

Britain 20th September 1997

THE EXPRESS

For years, they have covered themselves in glory on the world's battlefields. Now Britain's most renowned fighting troops could face their toughest struggle yet - in the corridors of Whitehall.

There are plans to merge the Army's elite parachute Regiment with their legendary rivals, the green berets of the Royal Marines.

It sounds serious enough to set old soldiers marching in protest, although the Paras and Marines already work closely. The Joint Rapid Deployment Force, which operates with both Nato and the UN, consists of 3 Commando Brigade and 5 Airborne Brigade who

operate well together.

Officers point out, however, that this formation, which has been action in Bosnia and Rwanda, would be a lot different from a wholesale amalgamation of two of the most famous, proud and competitive units in the armed forces. A senior source connected with the Paras said: "The British regimental system is the envy of the rest of the world. Men go into battle for Queen and country, but more so for their regiment. To destroy the regiment would be a disaster."

A senior Ministry of Defence official added: "The ideas have been floated before and it was laughed at then. These are two very individual and specialised units and the defence of this country would be the poorer if they were to be reduced - and that's what amalgamation means."

Paras will this week celebrate the 200th anniversary of the first successful parachute descent with a jump into the Egyptian desert.

4 November 1997

Commons written answer 30/10/97

Mr Brinton: asked the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs what new exceptions to the arms embargo on Argentina there have been since May 1

Mr Fatchett: We have recently approved the export of a single sporting rifle to Argentina following its repair by the original manufacturer in the UK. This is an exception, but not a change, to the embargo.

WOOL MARKET REPORT 31 OCTOBER 1997 WOOL MARKETS

Turbulence on the world stock markets had little adverse affect upon the Australian wool auctions this week. The main Australian market indicator rose every day to close the week up 21 cents higher at 713 cents a Kg. Italian buyers at the Newcastle sales were particularly chasing finer Merino wools to higher levels. Crossbred wools rose about five to ten cents on the week. Pass-in rates were lower than of late.

The New Zealand Indicator closed just one cent higher at 461 cents. South Africa was dearer in rand terms and up one percent.

CURRENCY MARKETS

The fluctuating movements in the world's stock markets described as the battle between greed and risk aversion had a severe impact on the currency markets. "It is rare for the foreign exchange markets to follow stock markets in such close steps in recent days. The curious correlation between movement in equity and currency markets seemed to have been confined to the US and UK" this week.

The vulnerability of the yen, the New Zealand dollar and the Australian dollar reported last week was realised. The Australian dollar weakened against Sterling by over six cents to its current trading level of A\$2.38. Compared to a fortnight ago, the New Zealand dollar is now 16 cents weaker against the pound at today's level of NZ\$2.67.

Clearly these exchange rate movements have impacted the sterling value of wool and removed the beneficial effect of the increases in Australasian wool auction prices. Unfortunately wool buyers are reporting cheap sources of greasy Falklands wool being sold off from last season.

AGENCY

As more shearing gets under way, the Agency encourages everyone to keep efforts to maintain and improve Falklands fleece wool quality ever in mind. Best Wishes to all those involved in the 1997/8 shearing campaign.

Falkland Wool Growers Limited



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Public Notice

The Medical Department will shortly have vacancies for the following nursing posts:

1. A Nursing Sister - salary in Grade D ranging from £16,812 to £25,212 per annum.
2. A Staff Nurse - salary in Grade E ranging from £13,560 to £20,340 per annum
3. An Auxiliary Nurse - salary in Grades H/G ranging from £8,964 to £15,264 per annum, depending on previous relevant experience.

Candidates for the Nursing Sister and Staff Nurse posts should be RGN qualified and preferably have several years' nursing 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 Human Resources Department. Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to that Department by 4.00pm on Tuesday 18th November 1997.

Cable & Wireless

Cable & Wireless has a vacancy for a temporary part-time telephone operator to work on an as required basis.

The work involves providing operator assistance and directory enquiries for the national and international telephone service and a VHF radiotelephone service.

Full training will be given. The job will suit a mature person who is able and willing to work at short notice.

For further details contact John Macaskill on 20823.

Applications in writing should be addressed to the General Manager, Cable & Wireless and should be received on or before Friday 14th November.

Internal Transport Review for the Falkland Islands Government

Inter Island Shipping.. the future

RECENTLY released for public perusal, the Internal Transport Review for the Falkland Islands Government commissioned from Mr Mike Summers, of M S Consulting and completed on June 28 of last year, has been for some time in the hands of FIG, and in that time has been examined by the Transport Advisory Committee, and approved by Executive Council.

The review examines air, sea and land transport and includes a summary of 'best methods of co-ordinating the three methods of transport for optimum benefit to the Islands.' Last week Penguin News reported on the section pertaining to aviation - this week we look at Inter Island Shipping

AT the heart of the report's recommendations regarding a future programme for inter Island shipping is the 'key port concept'.

It was felt that the 'overall strategy for making the transportation of freight and livestock around the Islands more cost effective would be to link key ports with a system of spine and link roads, such that each geographical area has free access to a "key" port. At each key port there would be needed a jetty in good repair which could be used by the Tamar (or her successors) at all, or most, states of the tide, and warehouse facilities for the collection of wool and the distribution of freight.'

A shipping link across the Sound on 'either a regular or as required basis' was also envisaged by the report, 'normally between Newhaven and Port Howard, but depending on demand, any of the other key ports could be collection or discharge points.'

The report goes on, 'As the road system develops and gives each area access to a key port, so they should be encouraged to use that port; thus as freight movements become more concentrated in fewer areas so the coastal shipping operation becomes more efficient free-



Above: Tamar FI (Photo: Byron Marine Ltd.)

ing up time in the schedule for Sound crossings or other profitable work.'

It is suggested that applying tariffs, which still allow free choice of port, but which would be markedly cheaper in the key ports, and progressively more expensive for poor or restricted facilities, or for single user ports, would encourage the use of the key ports. The Transport Advisory Committee and ExCo agreed with this and added that key ports 'should also include secure warehousing and fuel supply facilities.'

MS Consulting went on to recommend that "principal islands" be given assistance for the provision of adequate jetty facilities (principal island ports, it is noted, should be taken as those which currently produce 20,000kg of wool per annum, or who can demonstrate a new or ongoing economic activity of significant proportions that need an enhanced facility).

It was also recommended that: Byron Marine be invited to submit proposals for revised schedules based on the key port concept which would incorporate planned sound crossings and additional Punta Arenas visits; full location surveys, preliminary designs and costings be carried out for a deep water jetty at Port Howard and a jetty at Newhaven and that dialogue be opened with Port Howard

Farm Ltd, and Falklands Landholdings Ltd, on the acquisition of the agreed sites. (With regard to the latter recommendation, ExCo also felt that a survey should be undertaken at Fox Bay at the same time.)

Finally it was agreed that the Tamar be retained until the year 2000, at which time a further review of her continued suitability would be necessary.

Transport Review suggested key ports

East key ports

- North Arm
- Newhaven (not yet in existence)
- Stanley
- Port San Carlos (retained in reserved status for major shipments to the area and emergency)

West key ports

- Port Stephens
- Fox Bay
- Port Howard
- Hill Cove (reserve like PSC on east)

Island key ports

- Lively
 - Speedwell
 - Weddell
 - Saunders
 - Pebble
- (on basis of 20,000kg wool per annum)

Possible plans to merge Para's and Marines?

TWO of Britain's elite fighting units, the Parachute Regiment and the Royal Marines, could be merged under plans expected to be put to ministers to create a "super brigade," it was reported in The Sunday Times on October 19.

Senior officers have drawn up the radical proposals in secret negotiations between the Army, which controls the paras, and the Navy, responsible for the marines. The aim is to save money and produce a rapid-reaction brigade better suited to Britain's changing de-

fence role. "The unprecedented measure," says the Sunday Times, "which is likely to anger servicemen from both units, will be considered by the government as part of the strategic defence review, due for completion by the end of this year." However, an MoD spokesman refused last month to confirm or deny whether proposals for a merger were under consideration. "To suggest that we are planning for any amalgamation between two famous groupings like this is speculation," he said.

Weather for October

The weather in October was unremarkable in most respects with mean temperatures and rainfall being very close to the monthly averages. One thing the Islands did have more of than usual was sunshine, there being some 22 hours (close to 13%) more than usual.

Temperature

The mean maximum temperature of 10.2 Deg C was very close to the average of 10.3 Deg C and the mean minimum temperature of 2.4 Deg C mirrored exactly the average. The highest temperature of 15.3 Deg C was recorded on the 17th and the lowest temperature of -0.8 Deg C on the 12th. Interestingly the lowest grass minimum temperature of -9.5 Deg C was recorded on the morning of the 17th - the day the maximum temperature was recorded.

Rainfall

The rainfall total of 40.5mm was very close to the monthly average of 39.8mm with about half the total falling in the last week. The highest daily total was 11.0mm which fell on the 24th.

Snow

There were 8 days of snow or sleet which compares very closely with the monthly average of 7 days. There were no days on which snow was reported as lying.

Sunshine

It is pleasing to report that it was a sunnier month than normal with the total of 192.6 hours being well above the average of 170.5 hours. The highest daily total was 13.2 hours on the 17th (the warmest day).

Wind/Gales

It was slightly windier than normal, there being 21 days when the wind exceeded 33 knots which compares closely with the average of 19 days. The highest monthly gust of 57 knots was recorded on the 2nd. Long term averages for Stanley (1962-81) are shown in brackets. Temperatures are in degrees Celsius, winds are in knots, rainfall in millimetres and sunshine in hours.

- Highest daily max temp: 15.3 (18.4)
- Lowest daily min -0.8 (-3.6)
- Mean daily max temp 10.2 (9.3)
- Mean daily min temp 2.4 (2.2)
- Totally monthly rainfall 40.5 (40.6)
- Total monthly sunshine 192.6 (170.5)
- Number of days with rain 19 (15)
- Number of days with snow 8 (5)
- Number of days with snow lying 1200Z 0 (1)
- Number of days with fog 2 (3)
- Number of days with air frost 4 (4)
- Number of days with hail 1 (3)
- Number of days with thunderstorms 0 (<1)
- Number of days with gales 7 (6)
- Number of days with gusts 34 Kts or more 21 (21)
- Highest gust 57 (79)

Doctor on Horseback by Dr B (Tom) Hopwood... A true story of the Falkland Islands in the 1940's
The chips go down and the Governor checks out

THE voyage to Montevideo was uneventful. When we got within the River Plate waterway, the sea was flat clam and grey, with a mist closing down. Against this background, there was the oddest storm I ever experienced. It was hardly a thunderstorm, there was no wind, no turbulent clouds to be seen anywhere, the noise of thunder was muted somehow. But all round the ship, for an hour or so, there were forks of lightning diving directly into the sea. It was the most eerie occasion and gave one the feeling that the lightning might strike the ship at any moment. I never actually heard the hissing of lightning meeting the sea. Perhaps it doesn't hiss.

When we got to Montevideo, we were met as celebrities and whisked off to the Hotel del Parque in Poscitos, the posh end of Montevideo and part of the South American Riviera. Today, this hotel would have had 5 Stars on any classification. My bathroom was bigger than our bedroom in Stanley. Sir Alan, of course, had a suite. I had seldom seen such magnificence and was duly impressed. It was early evening by the time we arrived and the Governor elected to go to bed.

"When you've settled me in, you go off and enjoyed yourself with your friends. There is no need to cosset me. I shall be perfectly all right."

I took him at his word and went downstairs. The stairs eventually swept into a marbled foyer and walking down the final steps was like being in one of the Hollywood-style films which tried to make you believe that everyone in the USA lived in a palace. Across the foyer, my friends were waiting. Ted Allison was there from the Royal Mail office with a couple of his colleagues and Don Clarke, the General Manager elect of the Falkland Islands Company, on his way to Stanley for the first time.

I was greeted with cries of, "Good, here's the Doctor now. How's the old man? Will he let you off the leash?"

"Well I think so. I'll go up in a minute and see how he is, but I think he'll be glad to be on his own for once."

"Great, we plan to go bowling a bit later at the *Tupinamba*. What'll you have to drink?" The waiter was hovering and took the order.

I remember the *Tupinamba* quite well. It was on the 25th May Avenue, which only sounded right in Spanish, *Avenida Viente Cinco de Mayo*. Shirley and I had been there one night on our way through two years before. It was empty till about 10 o'clock at night and then, during the week at least, it filled up with men only, and was a cafe where people were just as likely to have coffee and cakes as aperitifs.

They had very odd working hours in Montevideo, starting quite early in the morning and then closing completely in the afternoon from about two to seven in the evening, then going back to work until 10 or 11 pm, when all the bars and cafes came to life until the early hours of the morning.

The waiter brought my drink and said something in Spanish to Ted Allison.

"The waiter says would you please give him a prescription for his rheumatism."

"Oh dear!" I said. "Tell him, I'm sorry I cannot give him a prescription in Uruguay because I'm not on their medical register."

That was a pretty naive remark. I didn't realise at the time that you could buy any drugs you wanted over the counter at any *Pharmacia* in Montevideo, provided you could pay for it.

We chatted away happily, the locals trying to decide where would be the best place to eat and then we had another drink. Half-way through my second drink, I decided it was churlish to refuse the waiter's request.

I turned to Allison. "Ted, would you tell the waiter I will give him a prescription for his rheumatism, on condition though that he gives me three numbers for roulette at the Casino tonight."

I had already had a brief look in the Casino at the hotel and, although I knew nothing about gambling or any of the games played there, I had thought roulette might be fun.

The idea intrigued the waiter who busied himself finding paper for me to write his prescription. He was a youngish man and showed no signs of rheumatism, so I supposed the medicine he wanted was probably for his mother. Anyhow, I wrote him a simple prescription for a Salicylic acid mixture which was standard at the time.

The waiter produced a little English.

"*Esta noche, tonight* *Senor*, the casino she close at one, *uno*, in the morning. You go at half-past twelve, not before. At half-past twelve only, *comprende?*"

"Yes," I said.

"You play only on *tablenumero ocho*, not before half-past twelve."

"Very well," says I.

"Then, *Senor*, *los numeros*, you play only six, eleven and fourteen."

I must say he put on a good show, all flashing eyes and gesticulating hands. It was all quite dramatic. He finished by wishing me luck and thanked me profusely for the prescription. He shook me vigorously by the hand and would certainly have kissed me if I had not remained firmly seated.

After this incident, we went off somewhere to eat and arrived at the

Tupinamba for the bowling. This was not an American bowling alley but much more like the English type of skittles. There were only nine skittles and they were smaller than the modern ones. There was no automatic system to pick up the pins, but a young boy appeared from behind the scenes and reset the skittles whenever necessary. It was good fun and, before I knew it, it was after midnight and I was in danger, like Cinderella, of being late home. I insisted on going back to the hotel and, when the others were less enthusiastic, I called for a taxi but, in the end, we all went back together.

By a minute or two before 12.30 am, I was in place at table number eight. I had decided I could afford to lose £5. Not much, you might think, but it was getting on for £500 at today's rates. The rate of exchange was 7 pesos to the pound. Stirling and each chip was worth one peso, so I was standing there with 35 chips in front of me. Twelve thirty came and went and so too did the chips, three at a time on 6, 11 and 14. At about a quarter to one I had five chips left and was resigned to losing the lot. Only briefly did I think of cashing in the last five, so on I went. In the next fifteen minutes or so, till the end of the session, the numbers came up eight times. Everything happened so quickly I had a job finding pockets for all the chips. I was wearing a waistcoat at the time and, for a day or two afterwards, I recovered odd chips from previously unused pockets. I don't remember the exact sequence of events but, fairly early on, number 14 came up twice running and an enormous pile of chips appeared in front of me. I almost protested that I had been paid too much when one of my

friends pointed out that, when I had won the previous time, I had left the original stake on the table so, for that turn of the wheel, I had been betting two chips, not one. This happened twice, so I ended up more than £50 in pocket. Although I tried to find him, I did not see the waiter again. I could only hope the prescription cured his or his mother's rheumatism.

I spent a good deal of the next day shopping in style at the big departmental store, *London and Paris*. I was escorted round the store by an English-speaking assistant who, in fact had an MSc in Engineering, but the best job he could get was as a floorwalker in the store and he got this because he spoke English, not because he was an engineer. I spent all the winnings on presents and clothes for Penny and Shirley. It was amazing what you could buy in those days for what seemed a small amount of money. The gifts included a wooden indoor swing for Penny and also a small slide similar to the ones you see in a children's playground.

All this time, I was checking on Sir Alan's condition at the hotel and arranging for someone to keep an eye on him after I had left, since we were sailing before his ship was due to take him back to the UK. I had quite an affection for him by this time and I could see perfectly well that his days were numbered. He was returning to live by himself in a flat in somewhere like Leamington. How he would manage on his own, after being waited on hand and foot in Government House, was hard to imagine. The answer was, of course, that he didn't - for he lived only a short time after I left him in Montevideo.

Public Notice
Vacancy - Aerodrome Flight Information Officer
 APPLICATIONS are invited to fill the position of Aerodrome Flight Information Officer with the Civil Aviation Department at Stanley Airport.
 The successful applicant's job purpose would be to provide a service to ensure the safe operation of any air traffic within the Stanley Air Traffic Zone and to aircraft Island wide. Applicants should ideally have an interest in aviation and associated radio procedures and be confident and clear when communicating on the 'phone and on the radio. They should also be able to work with the minimum of supervision once the relevant training has been given.
 A shift system is in operation and hours of work will include weekends on a roster basis and some unsocial hours. Salary is in grade F ranging from £12,384 per annum to £14,556.
 For further information about the post contact the Director, Civil Aviation Department, Mr Gerald Cheek, on telephone number 27300 during normal working hours.
 Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4pm on Wednesday, November 19, 1997

Demo is Steve's swansong

TO round off his successful visit to the Islands, courtesy of the Shackleton Scholarship Fund, Isle of Man top swimming coach, Steve Cooil, staged an open demonstration of some of the teaching techniques he has been introducing to young Falkland swimmers.

Parents, swimmers and interested on-lookers all gathered at the Community School Swimming Pool on Friday, October 31, to witness first hand the demonstration with Steve, aided by the Swimming Club's Dennis Humphreys and Sarah Allan from the Leisure Centre, showing how to control and coach dozens of swimmers in the pool at any one time.

He also took time out to explain to the spectators exactly what he was doing and how, in the long term, the swimmers should benefit

from continuing to follow the programmes he has suggested in a structured and disciplined way.

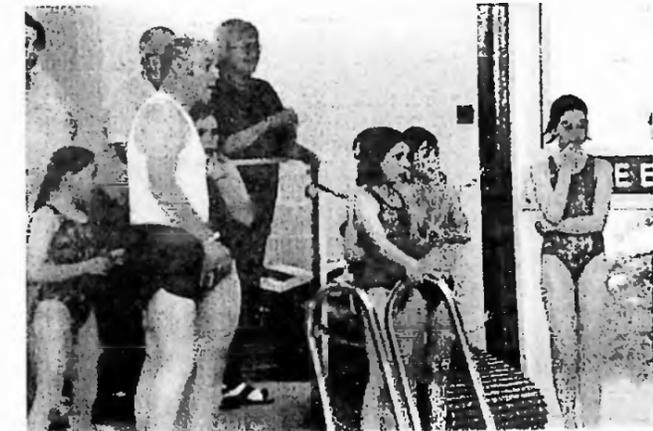
Though not quite as well attended by the swimmers he has been involved with during his week long stay in the Islands, the audience were clearly impressed by the demonstration. But Steve was anxious to stress what has been done is only the beginning of the beginning.

"You have some very talented young swimmers here," he said. "On its own talent is not enough, it will take dedication and a lot of hard work to start winning medals at events like the Island Games."

"There is no reason why that should not happen, and I'll look forward to seeing big improvements in Gotland in 1999, and who knows, perhaps some medal winners in the Isle of Man in 2001."



Above: Leisure Centre Manager, Paul Riddell, is presented with an assortment of new swimming and buoyancy recreation aids by Chairman of the Infant/Junior School Parent Teacher Association. The PTA donated £768.70 to purchase the equipment, while profits made from the sale of sweets and drinks at the Centre met the cost of freight. Below: Under the watchful eye of Rosie Hickey eager children get to grips with new pool resident, Smiley The Log



Top right: Coach Cooil organises a group of swimmers (Pic B. Peck) Above: Onlookers concentrate as the demonstration gets under way Below: Steve Cooil towers over Swimming Club officials and swimmers in a final group photo. (Pic B. Peck)



Press Release
 UNDER a new Management Contract, the Falkland Islands Company is to provide a management service at FIPASS, on behalf of the Falkland Islands Government.
 This contract differs from any previous arrangements made in respect of FIPASS. Under the terms of the new contract, local private sector companies may now bid for maintenance contracts and the supply of operational resources associated with FIPASS.
 A FIPASS Users Pack has been drawn up explaining the working of the new system. It is available from the Falkland Islands Company Offices at Crozier Place, or from the FIPASS manager's office.

'98, CRITICAL YEAR FOR OZONE

THE hole in the ozone layer in the Southern hemisphere currently extends for twenty million square kilometres, almost thirty times the area of Chile, according to Professor Victor Valderrama head of the ozone programme at the Magallanes University.

But in spite of this impressive figure, the area is slightly less than the 24 million peak of '92, and next year could represent the "climax" or turning point of the phenomenon which is believed to have started in the early sixties. "In 1979 the area was just one million square kilometres, in '81, it doubled; and in '85, it reached 16 million, but we are now in a process of slow recovery which could lead us to the original levels, by the year 2030", indicated Valderrama.
 The Chilean scientist said that international conventions, self-regulations in some countries and a growing world conscience are helping to gradually revert the damage caused to the ozone layer. "But, mind you," insisted Valderrama, "it's a very slow and fragile process."

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

FORSALE

75 Christmas lambs available from mid November. Further details phone/fax 42001

Very old 4 x 4 Lada - could be repaired or used for spares. New exhaust. Offers contact 42174 (evenings)

Light weight buggy £15
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Sesame Street garage plus cars and characters - £10
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Good quality Christmas Lamb's off Dyke Island. At 90p per lb Freight payable by the purchaser. Available 20th November onwards. Contact Mike or Linda on tele 42308 or fax 42305

5 continental tyres on rims. in reasonable condition. Please contact 22023

Hoover 800 washing machine. Perfect working order. delivered and installed free in Stanley. £200.00 Phone: 21041

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Mitsubishi Jeep 4x4. in perfect running condition, regularly serviced, new tyres. £6,500 o.n.o. A number of household items. To view on Sunday 9th November between 3pm and 5pm. Contact Jaime Correa 6 Campbell Drive Tel: 21962

E.T.'s Selling from 2 Jersey Road. New 3 piece suites in various colours, all priced £950.00 New dishwashers, washing machines, washer dryers, freezers, refrigerators and Baby Belling cookers all priced under £460.00 Also anything you need for the kitchen, including large plastic bins at £7.50

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NOTICE

Fortuna Ltd - Office/Retail units. Fortuna will shortly have available to let the unit in Waverley House formerly occupied by Byron Marine. Further units will become available around mid 1998. For further information please contact Jan Cheek or Stuart Wallace at Fortuna Ltd, Waverley House, Stanley. Tel+500 22616 Fax +500 22617

NOTICES

Results of Whist Drive held on the 5th November
Ladies: 1st Mrs R Duncan
2nd Mrs S Middleton
Booby Mrs M Humphries
Gents: 1st W. Duncan
2nd D Pettersson
Booby T Pettersson

STANLEY GOLF CLUB
NOVEMBER MEDAL
In form golfer Troyd Bowles made light of a 2 shot penalty for arriving late on tee to record a NET 69 in cold, blustery conditions. In a repeat of the October medal result. Troyd again took first place on a countback from Club Captain, Barry Smith
This Saturday, the Club is host to golfers from *HMS Brave*. Members who wish to play should arrive at the clubhouse by 1.00pm Refreshments will be provided after the match.

SWIMMING GALA
Stanley Leisure Centre Swimming Gala, sponsored by Standard Chartered Bank will be held on Saturday 29th November. Entry forms are available from Stanley Leisure Centre and the Gymnasium at MPA and must be in by Sunday 23rd November.

The owner(s) of the Portakabin and Wyseplan unit presently situated on the west side of Hillside Camp are notified that the units must be removed by Monday 17th November 1997. Proof of ownership must be presented to the site agents, the Falkland Islands Development Corporation, before removal. In the event that the units are not claimed and removed by the date given, FIDC will undertake removal and disposal as it sees fit. Please address any enquiries to Mrs Fiona Didlick, FIDC tel 27211

From the Councillor's Office - There will be a Public Meeting in the Court and Council Chamber on Thursday 13th November at 5pm.

The primary purpose of this meeting will be to discuss the Immigration Policy - anyone interested is welcome to attend

WANTED

WANTED - Suitable person with culinary skills to add new dimension to a small expanding business. For further information please apply to the Manager, Emma's Guest House, Phone No. 21056

Farm wanted. Apply in confidence to Box 1197. Penguin News.

Wanted for Port Howard Lodge. 1 only M & S tubeless radial tyre 235/70 R16 to fit a discovery landrover. Willing to buy or replace. Please telephone 42187 if you can help

Wanted (1) Bedford lorry 4 x 4 preferably with a tipper body. Please contact Mark Gleadell at MJG Haulage, telephone 42003 or fax 42013

PERSONAL



Dear Saz,
Always a leader in fashion!
Happy 21st with love from Mum, Mike and Debs

To Guido and Lauretta. Congratulations on your wedding day Best wishes, Keith and Glynis

The family of the late Bill Roberts would like to thank all the kind people who sent floral tributes and cards and everyone who helped at the time of their sad bereavement

To James at Loughborough College: Happy 17th Birthday for the 14th! Have a great day!
Lots of love from Mum & Dad

A big thank you to the lads of 1st Bt. Duke of Wellingtons for all the wonderful work they did so well on my house in John Street. Siggy Barnes

To all Members of Falklands Conservation - The AGM of Falklands Conservation will take place on 10th November 1997 at 7pm at the Junior School Hall. At 8pm after the AGM members of the public will be welcome to attend a presentation by Robin Woods of some 60 slides of the endemic plants of Motley and Middle Island. Robin will also be discussing FC's plans for a possible management plan for both Motley and Middle Island.

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The Byron Group has recently secured a 10 year charter to provide a Fishery Protection and Research Vessel to the Falkland Islands Government Fisheries Department, and have purchased a vessel in New Zealand, which is currently being converted for this role. Byron Marine vessels are exclusively British flag and operated to a high standard. This expansion of the Company's business means that the following personnel are required for service in the Company's vessels:

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Postscript from St. Mary's

Conflicts in Marriage

Conflicts in marriage are no tragedy. Almost every couple has them. But for a marriage to remain intact, conflicts must be worked through openly, not suppressed. Someone suggested ten guidelines to help you.

- (1) Accept the partner as he or she is.
- (2) Don't take reproaches too seriously.
- (3) try to sense the feelings behind the words.
- (4) Find out why the partner is agitated.
- (5) Don't dismiss problems but take them seriously.
- (6) Don't judge; remain factual.
- (7) Reflect; respond by posing the problem as a question.
- (8) Consider alternative solutions.
- (9) Together, look for a fresh approach and a new decision.
- (10) Be ready to compromise until you find a solution that is acceptable to both

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"it should be a principle part of British foreign policy to try and persuade Argentina to drop their claim," says visiting Labour MP

In a press conference held at Gilbert House last week, the six visiting Members of Parliament made statements to the media and answered a number of questions. MPs included: Colin Breed (Lib Dem) Cornwall South East, John Marek (Lab) Wrexham (second visit), Sid Rapson (Lab) Portsmouth North, Frank Doran (Lab) Aberdeen, Earl of Northesk (House of Lords) Conservative Whip, Jim Paice (Con) Cambridge

ENTHUSIASM for the Falkland Islands was a feeling apparent in the statements of the six MP's at a press conference on November 11.

di Tella does not doubt LegCo will allow visit

ACCORDING to the Buenos Aires daily, *La Nacion*, the Argentine Foreign Minister Guido di Tella has decided to use a non Argentine passport to travel to the Falklands, but refuses to disclose the date of the trip and nationality of the document. The Minister apparently claimed that he has spoken on the subject with several members of Legislative Council in the Falklands, and commented, "I have no doubt they are going to let me in." Dr di Tella said he has been planning the trip for months and was actually waiting for the results of the Islands' elections before making a move, adding that he would not be making a surprise visit, and local authorities would be informed of when he was arriving.

Responding to the above report, Councillor John Birmingham told *Penguin News*, "I have never been telephoned by Mr di Tella on this matter and I feel it would be inappropriate for the Foreign Minister of Argentina to visit the Falkland Islands, and as far as I am concerned he would not be welcome." John went on to say, "The day Mr di Tella renounces his country's claim to the Falkland Islands is the day he will be most welcome to visit."

Councillor Sharon Halford added, "It is not in our national interest to allow Mr di Tella to visit."

at which delegation leader Dr John Marek commented that he would do his best to try and convince the British Government that it should be principle part of their foreign policy to try and get Argentina to drop their claim.

Reassuring words were also offered by Jim Paice (Con) who said although he did not doubt that like the Conservatives, Labour were 100% behind the wishes of the Islanders, the Conservatives would still be watching that they did not deviate from this policy. Sid Rapson (Lab) added that even if Argentina did decide to drop their claim it would still be for the Falkland Islanders to decide if there were to be any changes with regard to the *status quo* (e.g. changes to policy towards Argentina).

Frank Doran offered some words of advice, however, saying "Labour is committed, but I think you should recognise that you are a long way from Britain, and even though we like to think we are abreast of the situation, it is important that you keep up the connection with British politicians." He described the Falkland Islands Government Office in London as an excellent organisation, but ex-



Above: Visiting MPs lay a wreath at the Cross of Sacrifice on the evening of Sunday, November 9.

plained that there was a danger the "Falklands issue" could become too "set" in British politics. He felt there was not enough information about the positive changes in the Islands reaching the politicians.

Asked if there would be an official debrief when the MPs returned to Britain and to what extent did their influence go in changing government policy, Dr Marek explained that they would be talking to the Foreign Minister, Mr Tony Lloyd. He went on to say that they would be able to use their clearer knowledge of the Islands in the Houses of Parliament to make sure that decisions made in the Parties, which might affect the Islands, would be of a "higher quality" than previously.

Sid Rapson explained that there were a number of new Labour MPs who had no knowledge of the Is-

lands apart from what they had seen on television. He hoped to return to Britain and influence as many of them as possible, saying people are more likely to listen to those with factual knowledge. He added that he was part of a parliamentary committee on defence, and it was the people on that committee who he might be able to influence.

The Earl of Northesk also explained that he there was no "great number of South Atlantic experts" in the House of Lords, so this visit had been of enormous value to him. "We have greater opportunities, I feel, to get a debate going on the Islands in the House of Lords," he said, adding that "Islanders can be assured that as long as I am able, Falkland Islanders will have a voice in the House of Lords acting on their behalf."

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Stanley CSM success as contractor for oil company

THE joint venture company registered in Stanley - CSM, have announced their successful appointment by LASMO as the onshore logistic contractor for the forthcoming oil exploration activity.

Stanley-CSM comprises Stanley Services and CSM, an Aberdeen company specialising in the oil logistics industry.

The Falkland Islands Company who also tendered for the contract have announced that, "the com-

pany is pleased to see this contract being operated out of the Falklands as they committed serious efforts and resources to influence the decision by the oil companies to use the Islands."

The press release from the FIC goes on, "The FIC Ltd. with their partners, Supplylink International B.V. were disappointed to have been unsuccessful in their tender to provide logistics support to the oil operators. As a result of Govern-

ment legislation the company was unable to supply marine gas oil. Marine gas oil was a major component of the tender and as such made it difficult for the company to compete."

The FIC, however, claim they are confident that "with their dedicated and highly qualified work force they are well placed to benefit from the increased opportunities this activity will bring."

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AS many Islanders may have predicted, the invitation to visit Britain extended to President Menem by the British Government last week has sent a wave of media hysteria surging through Argentina at such a furious rate that if any person had been lulled into the belief that 'Malvinas fervour' had somehow abated over the months, they have probably, in the past few days, reversed their opinion.

What is, however, perhaps worth noting about some of the articles, features and plethora of analyses on the subject, is that a number have not only included the more predictable theme, (that the invitation is a move forward for Argentina with regard to "regaining the sovereignty of the Archipelago" - as they are wont to put it) but also, despite di Tella's denial that the British Government included any conditions with the invitation, have picked up on the alternative view prompted by the Argentine Opposition Party, which basically asks if Menem has somehow 'sold out' on the sovereignty issue in return for the personal victory of being the first Argentine President to visit Britain since 1982. In fact, former President, Raoul Alfonsín, has demanded in the past week that Menem should not go to Britain unless he can guarantee that Falklands' sovereignty will be discussed (a statement accompanied by the sound of boos and hisses from those in the media who feel the visit is of value, with or without the subject officially on the agenda).

On the whole though, the Argentine media mood appears to swing between depression at the British Government's statement that the Islands will not be discussed, and optimism at di Tella's predictable claims that the subject will be at the very least analysed (unofficially?) in conversation. All of this was supplemented by the journalists' barely disguised disappointment that the British Media had hardly mentioned the subject, and that reaction from the Falkland Islands was unexcited.

On the subject of the above mentioned 'unexcited reaction', while the official line sent out from the Islands was obviously deliberately low key, and geared to impress on Argentina that Islanders do not feel at all threatened by the invitation to Menem, it is probably safe to say that it was also a 'line' which did accurately express the views of the majority. However, while I too agree there is no point in becoming overly excited about an invitation which is a matter, on the whole, rooted in economic relations between Britain and Argentina, and thus should not necessarily be perceived as something which might affect our status, the increasingly aggressive overtones from Argentines towards the sovereignty subject, which the whole scenario has uncovered, is at the very least worth noting.

Over past years, the relatively restrained (if I may call it that) policy towards the Falklands adopted by Argentina has provoked occasional criticism within its own country. However, recently there appears to be a growing and more widely held belief amongst the Argentine people that the 'charm offensive' has ultimately failed and it is time for more aggressive 'diplomacy'. Thus, while it is sensible that we in the Islands should react logically, as opposed to hysterically, to situations which seem to illustrate an increasingly amiable relationship between Britain and Argentina, we should not let this lull us into the dangerous belief that a greater 'affection' between those two countries will in anyway alter the thought in the minds of the majority of Argentines that we are little more than illegal occupants of these Islands.

HAVING rather nervously used the phrase 'Malvinas fervour' earlier in the editorial, it is gratifying to also be able to report a note of 'Falklands fervour' in the voices of a number of the visiting Members of Parliament, in a press conference last night. A note (I hope I am correct in speculating) which appeared sufficiently genuine to last longer than it takes the group to return Britain.

And, while the influence of these gentlemen on actual British governmental policy may be relatively modest, I don't doubt that they will enjoy the chance to communicate their new found knowledge (and it appears, essentially positive opinion) of the Islands, and the Islanders, to any group or colleague interested enough to listen.

Tenders are invited by the Falkland Islands Government from interested competent parties for the provision and management of an accommodation camp for 60 persons.

The tender comprises two elements, the physical camp structure and a service provision contract to manage and maintain the facility.

Tenders may be offered for either or both elements.

Copies of the tender documents can be obtained from the Secretary to the Tender Board, Secretariat Stanley.

Further details on the tenders may be obtained from the Deputy Director of Public Works during normal working hours.

Completed tenders, marked Accommodation Camp must reach the Secretary to the Tender Board, Secretariat, Stanley on or before 3pm on Monday 1 December 1997.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender received.

Your letters

What do you know about William McDonald?

CAN anyone help? While travelling in the USA in September we met Sheena Wadlinger who would like to find out more about her grandfather, William McDonald, who was born in the Falkland Islands, 28 January 1880. She knows that he was orphaned and that he went to sea at age 12, though she doesn't know if it was from Stanley. There were two brothers,

James and Charles (?) who settled in South Africa

If anyone can shed any more light on William McDonald, could they please let me know or contact Mrs Wadlinger direct at: 117 Beryl Street, Los Alamos, New Mexico 87544 USA.

Margo Smallwood
Stanley

British Legion grateful for help

ON behalf of all the members of The Royal British Legion I would like to thank all those people who gave us a donation and helped in any way with this year's Poppy Appeal. I would particularly like to thank:

The Girl Guides
The Sea Cadets
FIBS

Penguin News
Teaberry Express

All the pubs and shops who displayed our tins and poppies.

The total collected last Saturday was £745.33

Alan S Jones
Chairman
Falkland Islands Branch
Royal British Legion

A chance to be a swim supporter

THE recent visit of Steve Cooil, the swimming coach was very successful, and has fired up great enthusiasm amongst our swimmers and supporters alike.

Steve put forward a great number of ideas to promote the club and encourage the swimmers to attain higher targets, with a view to future overseas swimming competitions. Many of his suggestions have already been put into action, and a list of priorities have been drawn up to enable us to follow his guidelines. The future of the club looks very promising, provided we are able to maintain the enthusiasm, and get even more support from the public. To be a supporter of the swimming club, it is not necessary to be a parent of a club member.

Some of the offers which have so far come forward are as follows. We have a press secretary, a monthly sponsor, a sponsor seeker, the use of a venue for Sunday afternoon meetings and discos. We are having swimmer's files made up for us, and swimmer's progress is to be tabulated. We also plan to build up a register of local swim-

ming records and swimmer's personal best times. We have even had an offer for a return trip for Steve to be funded in the not too distant future to help with further development. This is quite a remarkable achievement in so short a time.

To help our progress still further we need more volunteers to fill the following vacancies. We need a monthly Sunday meeting organiser, someone to video swimmers, a development team, a Secretary or Treasurer for our committee, a newsletter secretary, and someone to co-ordinate award schemes.

If you feel that you able to help in any way, please contact me, or any other Swimming Club member.

There will be a Swimming Club meeting in the Community classroom by the library in the F.I.C.S. on Thursday 20th November at 7.00 p.m. If you feel that you can help in any way, please come along, you will be very welcome.

Anne Howells, Chairman,
Stanley Swimming Club
Stanley

To whom it may concern: It pains me a great deal to be forced to publicly squash the childish rumours being spread around Stanley about me, however, I feel obliged to point out that the cruel and malicious stories, supposedly based on my private life,

are entirely untrue. To all of those people participating in the exchange of this gossip, I ask that you please get a life, instead of making other people's miserable.

Amy Jonson
Stanley

Write to Penguin News, Ross Road,
Stanley, Falkland Islands

Check pets before using fireworks

WITH last week being Halloween and Guy Fawkes, the latter becoming increasingly popular with the availability of bigger and better fire works, we hope next year people will consider their pets and next door neighbours before letting off fireworks in built up areas. Fireworks can cause stress to a lot of small animals, and even death.

We have heard stories of people having to round up horses as a result, and small animals dying. So please next year make sure all small pets are indoors, and there are not horses nearby, and if you have elderly neighbours, check with them before letting off noisy fireworks.

Marg and John Adams
Charlene and John Rowland

A close shave for British Ambassador in Argentina

POLICE in Argentina defused two explosive devices on November 11, near a hotel in Cordoba where the British Ambassador William Marsden was staying.

Mr Marsden, who was visiting the city to promote British exports, is reported to have praised the Cordoba Police, and said that they had responded admirably.

The first bomb was found near the entrance to the Cordoba Park Hotel. Hours later police defused a second grenade near the British School in Cordoba. No group has claimed responsibility for the attempted bombings, and one official said the bombs "had the capacity to cause very grave injuries."

FIDF to test military skills in Commando Challenge

THE military skills competition organised by the FIDF, Exercise Commando Challenge Falklands Patrol is to be held over the period November 25 - November 29, this year.

The competition will involve teams from the FIDF and MPA competing against each other in various military skills whilst marching from Port San Carlos to Stanley following roughly the route yomped by 45 Commando Royal Marines during the Falklands Conflict in 1982.

Teams are required to use the event to raise funds to be donated to the 82 Trust, a Trust set up locally to assist service personnel and their families who are in need.

Major Marvin Clarke of the FIDF, told Penguin News, that it is also hoped that a team of women will walk the route to raise funds for the Trust, however, the women will not actually be competing against the other teams.

Prizes to be won are: the "Yomper" trophy, a miniature of the eighteen foot statue which can be seen at the entrance to the Royal Marines Museum at Southsea; and gold, silver and bronze medals appropriately inscribed, sponsored by Norman and June Clark.

Major Clarke is hopeful that the general public will lend their support to the raising of funds for the 82 Trust by, "making a donation to this worthwhile cause."

Public Notice Vacancy - Police Constable

APPLICATIONS are invited from men and women to fill a vacancy for a Police Constable in the Royal Falkland Islands Police Force.

This post offers a new, interesting and varied career involving a wide range of contact with the general public Island wide and the possibility of promotion without having to change your job within your chosen occupation.

Salary will be payable in Grade F which extends from £12,384 to £14,556 per annum. Entry point will be dependent on the successful applicant's qualifications and any relevant experience in H M Forces or a Commonwealth Police Force. Applicants should be holders of a valid driving licence.

Further details of the post may be obtained from the Chief Police Officer on telephone number 27222 during normal working hours. Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4pm on Wednesday 19th November 1997.

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7th November 1997



Above: Loretta and Gary

ONCE a member of the JSEOD and now settled in the Falklands, Gary "Guido" Webb married fiancée Loretta Thomas (formerly of St. Helena) at Christ Church Cathedral on Saturday, November 8.

Loretta, who wore an ivory satin dress adorned with pearls and sequins, and carried a bou-

quet of ivory roses, was ably assisted by Chief Bridesmaid Dorothy Wilkinson, and tiny April Faria and Kelly Stephens.

The groom was supported by best man, Keith Alazia.

Loretta and Gary went on to enjoy a wedding meal, followed by a reception and dance in the Town Hall.

..in high places



Above: Baroness Thatcher with Councillor Norma Edwards and Falkland Islands Government Representative in London, Sukey Cameron, at the 'Falklands stall' during the Party Conferences in Blackpool in early October.

Below: Sukey, Jenny Luxton and Norma chat to Prime Minister Tony Blair. Photographs provided by FIGO.



All that glisters...

IT'S official! There's gold in the Falkland Islands - according to Alan Burns of South Atlantic Resources, the company tasked with carrying out a mineral survey of the Islands.

Alan, and his colleague Bob Young, who have set up base in the old Brewery building opposite the West Store on Ross Road, gave a brief talk describing what they have been doing for the past six months, what they have achieved and what they have found. The Falklands, Alan explained, broke away from the South-East coast of Africa 195 million years ago and rotated through 180 degrees on the way to their current position in the South Atlantic. Consequently one of the group's briefs is to examine how mineralisation in South Africa (which is extremely well documented) relates to that of the Falklands (which isn't).

The survey process began with a series of satellite pictures of the Islands which were computer enhanced to reveal the likeliest areas in which to prospect. These were later complemented by even more revealing satellite radar pictures. These are capable of penetrating both water and layers of peat to show underlying rock structures. (Thus has been discovered a previously unsuspected linear fault bisecting part of East Falkland).



The South Atlantic Resources team in the Falklands. Left to right: Bob Young, Raymond Poole, Alan Burns and Stephen Poole

Using data gleaned from these pictures Alan and his team, which includes local brothers, Ray and Steve Poole, collect samples from the beds of streams and rivers in selected locations, transport them to Stanley and begin the process of separating ordinary sand from the minute grains of other, perhaps, more significant minerals. Normally only a few hundred grains are found in samples weighing between twenty and thirty kilograms.

The small quantities of mineral granules extracted are then sent to Australia for micro-analysis. First they are studied, grain by grain, under microscopes before being shattered into even smaller pieces

and then studied again. So painstaking is this process. Alan said, that it costs £1,000 to analyse each sample.

So far minerals identified have included titanium, which, though jet black in its natural state, is the base ingredient of white paint, garnet and, yes, gold. There is also what Alan referred to as "the small chance" of diamonds being discovered. There are also indications that there could be deposits of zinc and lead.

Whether or not a mineral industry in the Falklands would be commercial depends on quantity and finding the best areas. For example a mineral should be present in

sand to a density of between three and four per cent to be viable.

Even after a mineral has been identified the team's detective work is not finished. The minute samples of minerals they are extracting from the streams and creeks may have worked down into those locations via a hundred rivulets and from many miles away over a great period of time. Tracing the source is therefore not easy.

Can we look forward to a new and hitherto little thought of industry blossoming inland? "We are finding more here than we originally expected to," Alan told *Penguin News*, "and of better than hoped for quality." The Islands are, he says, "highly prospective", which means there is around a one in ten chance of minerals being present in commercial quantities. "The many eminent geologists who have said in the past that there is nothing here are probably wrong."

Now six months into a two year contract South Atlantic Resources have spent around £180,000 so far.

And the gold? Well, don't go reaching for your shovel and pan and head off for the interior. Alan does not expect another Klondike or California. The team have found just two pieces, each about .25mm (that is a quarter of one millimetre) across.

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MIKE Harris from Cable and Wireless sent the following note for readers to contemplate:

"Anything electrical left on 24 hours a day, at current electricity prices incurs a cost of £1 per watt per year.

That is, a 100 watt outside light

left on continuously will cost approximately £100 per year in electricity charges.'

Something, Mike says, for those people who leave their porch and outside lights on 24 hours a day, to consider.

You are cordially invited to take tea at Government House

His Excellency the Governor has kindly agreed to host an afternoon tea in aid of the Cancer Support and Awareness Trust at Government House on Saturday, November 22, commencing at 3pm.

There will be a raffle with tremendous prizes, along with a selection of Christmas gift items. Admission to this occasion is free, however, due to the expected high demand, tickets can be obtained from Alison Hewitt on telephone number 21851 or 21477, or from Theresa Lang on telephone number 21235.

Please join us at this exclusive event and while you sit in the conservatory, enjoying your tea and pastries, you will be entertained by a selection of classical music performed by members of Falkland Sound.

CATHEDRAL BAZAAR

SATURDAY 29th NOVEMBER - PARISH HALL

DOORS OPEN 12.30p.m. RAFFLES draw commencing 5p.m.

LUNCHEES and light refreshments will be on sale. Any donations towards the refreshments will be very welcome, as will offers of cakes and fresh produce for the Cake Stall.

COME ALONG AND ENJOY YOURSELVES, BRING THE FAMILY WITH YOU.

The Hall will be open all day on Friday 28th Nov. for setting up of the stalls and to receive any donations.

Please contact Viv Perkins on telephone or fax 21326 if you have any queries.

Please come along and give us your support.

REMEMBER THE DATE - SATURDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

USA trip success for travel team

Oil, and fish are now generally thought of as being the most significant industries in the Falklands, - despite large and continuing question marks over whether or not the former will be discovered - with agriculture and philately in third and fourth places. And certainly oil has yet to earn the Islands its first penny in revenue.

But there is yet another industry that has been established for some years (even if somewhat stutteringly), involves a meaningful proportion of the Falklands' population, and already makes an important contribution to the economy of the Islands.

party spent a day obtaining the necessary documentation and arranging to hire a stand, VCR, television and other essential equipment for the booth. The following day was spent setting up the stand ready for the one day Exposition on the Thursday.

The team were very pleased with response to their presence at the show and have reported an encouraging degree of interest in the Falklands' stand, chiefly from tour operators and agents from Brazil, as well as film makers and travel magazines.

Thursday night, after the closure of the Exposition, Carole de-



Left to right: John Fowler, Audrey Patterson, Carole Bedford and Jenny Forrest



The entrance to the Exposition clearly showing the different regions. The Falkland Islands were included in the Latin American section

We are talking Tourism here. Much maligned, even derided as unworkable, by sceptics in the past it is now emerging as a viable industry just a year after the appointment of a full time manager of the Falkland Islands Tourism Board.

Under the canny stewardship of that manager, John Fowler, together with the energy and enthusiasm of others involved locally in Tourism, the Falklands are now striving once again to become a recognised destination for eco-tourism - now, globally, the fastest growing sector in the industry.

In the latest round in the battle to attract tourist dollars to the Islands John recently undertook a whistle-stop tour of the United States of America, taking in Miami, Washington, Baltimore and New York, to promote the Islands.

He was accompanied in Miami by local travel entrepreneur, Jenny Forrest, and Stanley Services' travel coordinator, Carole Bedford, where the three manned a Falkland Islands' exhibition booth as part of the prestigious Americas TrAAvel Exposition, organised by American Airlines.

Essentially the Exposition was a show for travel agents - some 2300 drawn from the US, the Caribbean and Latin America attended - where they were wooed by destination suppliers and package operators, tourist boards and regions and even countries.

Arriving in Miami after an overnight flight from Santiago the

parted for Santiago and meetings with Ace Tourism, while John flew on to Baltimore arriving around midnight. The following morning he rose early to address a group of travel agents, specialising in eco-tourism, over breakfast - they ate while he addressed. The function was co-sponsored by Lan Chile and they were, John told *Penguin News*, "a very focused group." With barely time to draw breath he then moved on to Washington where he had a meeting with the Regional Editor of *National Geographic Magazine*.

Monday found him in New York for an interview with the Editor of the Travel Section of the *New York Times*. Tuesday began with another breakfast address over 'Danish and coffee' in Manhattan, (again co-sponsored by Lan Chile) and ended with an intensive meeting in Connecticut to discuss advertising and marketing strategy in North America with Les Baker and Audrey Patterson.

Les and Audrey combine their talents under the name of South Atlantic Travel and are to promote the Islands in the American market. Audrey also runs a long-established, well-respected eco-tourism company called Tread Lightly. Both Les and Audrey were among a party which visited the Islands last year and thus have first hand knowledge of the destination they will be selling.

John flew back to Miami on Thursday night and from there to

Santiago and a meeting with the publicity department of Lan Chile to view the Falkland Islands' article (including material and photographs supplied by John) for Lan Chile's in-flight magazine, before returning to the Falklands on Saturday.

"In tourism terms," John later told *Penguin News*, "we have achieved a 'first' for the Falklands. It is probably the first time the public and private sectors of Falkland Islands Tourism have combined to be represented in North America as 'suppliers' of holiday destinations - and this is particularly important because of the regularity of the Lan Chile scheduled services in and out of the country."

He was upbeat, too, about the success in general terms of the trip. "We have made many useful con-

tacts," he said, "amongst suppliers, agents and travel journalists."

His overall satisfaction at his apparent success in the States is tinged by surprise at one aspect of the trip. "It is difficult to comprehend," he said, "the sheer volume of ignorance that exists about the Falklands in North America." He described how one visitor to the Exposition exclaimed, "Oh, the Falkland Islands! I've been there. I've travelled right through South Africa."

John was anxious to express his gratitude to American Airlines who, as organisers of the TrAAvel Exposition, provided air tickets at extremely good rates resulting in the total cost of the exercise being, "less than the cost of a quarter page advertisement in a quality British newspaper."



Guests, athletes and competitors packed Stanley Town Hall on Friday, November 7, at a reception sponsored by FIG to honour the many sportsmen and women who have represented the Falkland Islands in overseas competitions. These included the Football League's successful tour of Chile earlier this year, the Netball Club's tour of Northern England, the marvellous performances of our Moto Cross riders in the Welsh Enduro and other events, and the Island Games teams; badminton players, swimmers, golfers, athletes and, of course, the marksmen who brought back no less than seven medals - including two silver - from the Jersey Island Games in July.



Remembrance Day in Stanley

A CHILLY wind failed to deter hundreds of people from attending the annual Remembrance Day ceremony at the Cross of Sacrifice fronting the Stanley Cemetery. Though the ceremony, which honours the dead of both World Wars, with its laying of wreaths and brief prayers, was but one of thousands held on the same day around the world, there is little doubt the Stanley event is uniquely special.

The scene is invariably dramatic in an unfussy way. The weather pocked Cross, largely ignored for 364 days of each year, guarded at each corner by four members of the Falkland Islands Defence Force and flanked by the grey stone cemetery walls, was the centre-piece. Around it were gathered the sombre faced dignitaries, both civilian and military, bemedalled representatives of the British Legion, brownies, scouts, sea cadets and leaders of the Island's

churches. Thirty metres away, where the steeply sloping grass bank gives way to the concrete of Ross Road East, standing three or four deep for seventy metres, were the citizenry of the Islands. Mingled with them were sailors from HMS Brave, soldiers of the Duke of Wellington's Regiment, airmen of the Royal Air Force, tourists and visitors. Behind them the lumpy, iron-grey waters of Stanley Harbour churned

by the chilly wind, provided a fitting backdrop.

The ceremony, in contrast to the preparations, was brief. Andrew Gurr, Chief Executive of the Falklands, read out the names of the fallen, the Governor intoned those marvellously evocative words written by English poet, Laurence Binyon.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them.

There were prayers from the clergy, wreaths laid by, among others, His Excellency, Governor Richard Ralph, and the Commander of British Forces in the Falklands, Brigadier Ian Campbell. The plaintive, haunting notes of the *Last Post* drifted soulfully over the assem-

blage, and then came the two minutes silence, meticulously observed by the entire gathering, and broken by the same buglers symbolically blowing *Reveille*.

Amid much chatter and laughter (an affirmation of continuing life after remembering and honouring the dead) the crowd dispersed and the detachments of FIDF and RAF marched away to leave the Cross to another year of lonely vigils.

But not quite. Much later in the day the four sentries quietly returned to take station on the corners of the Cross. Buffeted by the now much stronger wind they stood in isolated silence as six besuited, middle-aged men laid their own wreath and bowed their heads for two minutes. Unable to attend the earlier, higher profile ceremony the six visiting British Members of Parliament, led by John Marek, had come to pay their personal respects.



Above: The six British Members of Parliament observe two minutes silence having laid their wreath

Below: The four sentries, Katrina Stephenson, John Horne-MacDonald, Rhoda Irwin and Gerard Ford

Below centre: The four at their posts. Gerard Ford is hidden by the Cross of Sacrifice

Right: His Excellency, the Governor arrives for the ceremony accompanied by his Aide-de-Camp, Lt. Derek Clarke, FIDF

Right centre: The Brownies do their best to keep warm in the chilly wind as they wait for the ceremony to begin

Top, far right: The scene viewed from the cemetery. One of the two buglers waits by the gate. Military guests stand with their backs to the Harbour. Commander of the detachments of RAF and FIDF on parade, was Major Marvin Clarke, standing to attention in the gateway

Below, right centre: The Governor awaits the moment when he will lay his wreath, beside him, Aide, Lt Derek Clarke

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Captain Peter Biggs commands a detachment of the Falkland Islands Defence Force. Beyond him can be seen the base of the Cross and two of the stationary sentries. Below right: Royal Navy Association Standard-Bearer, Fred Simpson, looks on



Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

9.15 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 9.40 ART ATTACK
 10.00 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES
 10.30 LIVE AND KICKING
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Racing from Ascot. Women's International Hockey; Motor Racing - the RAC Tourist Trophy; Football Focus, and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.25 TOP OF THE POPS
 6.55 BULLY - SURVIVAL GUIDE
 7.05 WHEEL OF FORTUNE
 7.30 DAD
 8.00 NOEL'S HOUSEPARTY
 8.50 CASUALTY The spectre of the Hannah Thomas case hangs over Holby, as her sister has complained about misconduct over Hannah's death
 9.40 HAVE I GOT NEWS FOR YOU
 10.10 TOUCHING EVIL In the conclusion to a two-part story, DI Creegan is locked in stalemate with suspected child abductor Ronald Hinks, but gets a breakthrough from an unlikely source. Can he find the boys in time?
 11.05 DROP THE DEAD DONKEY
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY There are highlights of more top FA Carling Premiership matches

SUNDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

10.45 DEAR MR BARKER
 11.00 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.25 BLUE PETER
 11.50 WISE UP
 12.20 SONGS OF PRAISE
 12.55 TWO FAT LADIES
 1.25 THE CHART SHOW
 2.15 BROOKSIDE Has Christian pushed Rachel too far?
 3.25 THIS IS YOUR LIFE (New)
 3.55 HOLIDAY MEMORIES
 4.25 CARTOON TIME
 4.40 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
 5.05 AUNTIE'S TV FAVOURITES
 5.35 THE DAY THAT CHANGED MY LIFE
 6.05 IN THE WILD
 7.00 OH! DOCTOR BEECHING
 7.30 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT Nick suspects foul play when a lay preacher is injured while taking part in a posse to shoot a dog which has been worrying sheep
 9.20 FRIENDS
 9.45 MURDER ONE (New)
 11.10 SECRET HISTORY The Tragedy of HMS Glorious: Historical documentary
 12.00 TOTP 2 Hits from Top of the Pops archives, plus today's hits

MONDAY 17TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 BOOK BOX 10.15 NUMBERTIME 10.30
 GOOD HEALTH 10.45 TOTS TV
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Darren plays the knight in shining armour, and Ruth turns to Helen for advice
 2.30 NAME THAT TUNE with Jools Holland
 2.55 HOLIDAY
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
 4.00 POSTMAN PAT
 4.15 CARTOON CRITTERS
 4.45 FUN HOUSE
 5.10 RECORD BREAKERS
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Casey warns Fisher - she's going to make his life hell! Jesse is devastated by the news that Selina is marrying Steven
 5.55 TOP GEAR
 6.25 RIVER DEEP MOUNTAIN HIGH A week in the company of 28 Engineering Regiment during adventurous training in Bavaria
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Liz and Jim share a heart-to-heart
 7.45 THE BILL Loyal to the Last: Can the wife of a forgery suspect be persuaded to help police convict her husband?
 8.10 CLIVE JAMES ON TV
 8.35 PILGRIMS REST Tilly's ex-husband arrives offering reconciliation
 9.05 SOLDIER, SOLDIER A racing event provides the perfect venue for a terrorist attack
 10.00 CLIVE ANDERSON ALL TALK
 10.35 FILM '97
 11.05 CHILDREN IN NEED
 11.15 SOMETHING STRANGE
 11.40 NATIONWIDE FOOTBALL LEAGUE EXTRA

TUESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 FOURWAYS FARM 10.10 STORYTIME 10.25
 ZIG ZAG 10.45 THE SLOW NORRIS
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Marlene sets up Sarah for a fall
 2.30 KEN HOM'S HOT WOK
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: JAY'S WORLD
 4.00 NAME THAT TOON

4.25 IT'S A MYSTERY
 4.45 BLUE PETER
 5.15 AGENT Z AND THE PENGUIN FROM MARS (Repeat)
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Jesse is hurt that Selina did not have the decency to tell him about her engagement
 6.00 A QUESTION OF SPORT
 6.30 EMMERDALE Biff requests that Linda return home before the funeral
 6.55 SCENE HERE
 7.25 EASTENDERS Joe is finding it difficult to convince his loved ones that he has done nothing wrong
 7.55 FULL CIRCLE WITH MICHAEL PALIN (New)
 8.45 POND LIFE
 9.00 MATCH OF THE DAY LIVE Liverpool v Strasbourg
 10.55 BULLY
 11.35 OASIS: MAD FOR IT Concluding this documentary series
 12.00 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 STAGE ONE 10.15 TELLYTUBBIES 10.40
 SCHOOLS AT WORK 10.45 TOTS TV
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Ben and Ruth begin to get to know each other. Libby pushed Rohan too hard, and Sarah makes a bad impression on Karl
 2.30 THE AIR SHOW
 3.00 THE CLOTHES SHOW
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: THE ADVENTURES OF DAWDLE
 4.00 CARTOON TIME
 4.10 LOTTE
 4.25 CITY ANIMAL OF THE YEAR AWARDS
 5.15 THE SCOOP
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Chloe arrives home to find her floor covered with traps
 6.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
 6.30 EMMERDALE Everyone is moved by Linda's funeral
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Alan's actions cause Fiona concern
 7.45 THE BILL Rent: Boyden and Keane investigate after a young busker is hit by a car
 8.10 DRIVING SCHOOL
 8.40 FRIENDS
 9.05 PEAK PRACTICE An old friend of David's now a paraplegic, needs help when he and his wife want a baby
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 FILM: SNEAKERS (1992.15) Comedy thriller starring Robert Redford, Dan Akroyd and Ben Kingsley. Comedy caper about the leader of a team of techno-experts on a dangerous assignment to steal security secrets
 12.35 UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE HIGHLIGHTS Coverage of Newcastle's game against Dutch champions PSV Eindhoven at St James' Park

THURSDAY 20TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 MEGAMATHS 10.20 LANDMARKS 10.40
 SCHOOLS AT WORK (Repeat) 10.45 THE RIDDLERS
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Ruth spends more time with Ben. Is romance in the air for Darren and Debbie?
 2.30 THE ANTIQUES SHOW (New)
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 4.00 SOOTY AND CO
 4.25 GET YOUR OWN BACK
 4.50 BLUE PETER
 5.20 THE O-ZONE
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Chloe is tormented by the fear of Brad
 6.00 CALL MY BLUFF Hosted by Bob Holness
 6.30 EMMERDALE Jack warns Andy off telling anyone about what he has seen
 6.55 ANIMAL HOSPITAL
 7.25 EASTENDERS Sarah turns to Alex in her hour of need
 8.25 CHILDREN IN NEED (Repeat)
 8.35 UNDERCOVER CUSTOMS Continuing this series about real-life smuggling operations. This edition looks at how British customs officers went deep undercover to intercept the money-laundering network of the Cali drugs cartel of Colombia
 9.00 SHOOTING STARS
 9.30 JENNY ECLAIR'S PICK 'N' MIX
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 THE PROVOS Documentary
 11.30 GOOD STUFF COMEDY
 11.55 FACE TO FACE... Jeremy Isaacs interviews comedian and game show host Bob Monkhouse

FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 EUREKA! 10.15 STOP, LOOK, LISTEN 10.30 STAGE
 TWO SCIENCE HABITATS 11.15 POTAMUS PARK
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Billy reveals his mature side to Anne
 2.30 MILLIONAIRES (New)
 2.55 COMEDY CLASSIC: DAD'S ARMY
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: MOOMIN
 4.15 BANANAMAN
 4.20 TRANSYLVANIA PET SHOP
 4.45 MR WYMI
 5.00 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND

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5.10 SUNNY'S EARS
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Rebecca is diagnosed as being temporarily deaf
 6.00 SPACE CADETS
 6.25 THE WHITBREAD: THE WORLD'S GREATEST OCEAN RACE
 6.55 SCENE HERE
 7.25 EASTENDERS Ian tells Kathy of his new offensive to trace Cindy and his sons
 7.55 PIE IN THE SKY
 8.45 MICHAEL BARRYMORE'S STRIKE IT RICH
 9.10 THE BROKER'S MAN Dominic Griffin has been kidnapped at gunpoint, and the only way out is to find Major Russell and take him to Dominic's captor
 10.00 RORY MCGRATH'S COMMERCIAL BREAKDOWN
 10.30 FAMILY MONEY
 11.25 TFI FRIDAY

SATURDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

9.00 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 9.25 ART ATTACK
 9.45 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES
 10.15 LIVE AND KICKING
 12.25 THE LORD MAYOR'S SHOW
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Racing from Chepstow; Grand Prix Gymnastics from Birmingham; the next instalment of the Olympic Magazine series; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.25 TOP OF THE POPS
 6.55 BULLY - SURVIVAL GUIDE
 7.05 WHEEL OF FORTUNE
 7.30 DAD
 8.00 NOEL'S HOUSEPARTY
 8.50 CASUALTY

9.40 HAVE I GOT NEWS FOR YOU
 10.10 ROYAL BRITISH LEGION FESTIVAL OF REMEMBRANCE
 11.45 MATCH OF THE DAY

SUNDAY 23RD NOVEMBER

10.45 DEAR MR BARKER
 11.00 THE TRECACLE PEOPLE
 11.15 BLUE PETER
 11.45 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - THE CENOTAPH
 1.10 SHORT CHANGE
 1.25 THE CHART SHOW
 2.15 BROOKSIDE
 3.25 THIS IS YOUR LIFE
 3.55 HOLIDAY MEMORIES
 4.25 25 YEARS OF THE TWO RONNIES
 5.10 FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP Full match coverage as Arsenal v Manchester United
 7.00 AUNTIE'S TV FAVOURITES
 7.30 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT
 9.20 MURDER ONE
 10.45 JACK DEE'S SUNDAY SERVICE (New)
 11.10 RUGBY EXPRESS (New)
 12.05 THE MTV MUSIC AWARDS

The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY November 15

6.00 News BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.30 News and Sport from five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Six Palestrina Masses
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 The Italian Renaissance
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY November 16

5.00 News: BFBS
 5.03 Music fill
 5.15 Dessert Island Discs
 6.00 Music Fill
 6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service-St Marys Church
 8.00 Sports Roundup
 8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didlick
 8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.00 News Desk
 9.28 Rpt. Weather & Flights
 9.30 The Old Curiosity Shop
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

MONDAY November 17

10.03 Morning show - Lorna

12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 B.F.B.S Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Cancer Awareness week
 6.00 Country Crossroads
 6.30 The Grumbleweeds
 7.00 The Goons CD collection
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 BBC Story of Pop
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 Love to Adeline, anorak of fire
 10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY November 18

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Cancer awareness
 5.30 News from St Helena
 5.45 Calling the Falklands
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert - The Orb
 7.30 News and Sports
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Eric Clapton Story Part 4

8.30 Paths of Inspiration
 9.00 News desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 9.30 Repeat News Magazine
 10.00 News BFBS
WEDNESDAY November 19
 10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 BFBS Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Cancer Awareness week
 5.45 The Folk Show Rpt
 6.30 Just a minute
 7.00 Divided by a common language
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Classics Hour
 9.00 News Desk from BBC
 9.28 Rpt. weather & flights
 9.30 So much blood Pt 3
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News from BFBS

THURSDAY November 20

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Annos
 BFBS Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Cancer awareness week
 5.30 On Stage: Manic Street Preachers
 6.30 Memories are made of this -

with Tony Burnett
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Pot Luck with Myriam
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt weather and Flights
 9.30 Cont. with Pot Luck
 10.00 News BFBS
FRIDAY November 21
 10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Announcements.
 BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 Cancer awareness week
 5.30 Calling the Falklands
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 On Stage: Suede
 7.30 Five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights Annos
 8.00 Announcers half hour
 8.30 Country Crossroads
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 News Magazine rpt.
 10.00 News B.F.B.S.

All programmes are subject to change. Any changes will be broadcast on FIBS

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SATURDAY

0000 News & Steve Mason 0200 News & Rockumentary 0300 News & Sports N all 0500 News & Me Mark Page 0700 News & Weekend Gold 0800 News & Breakfast Show 1000 Sports n all 1200 Saturday Live 1400 Me Mark Page 1600 News & America's Finest 1800 News & Rockumentary 1900 News & David Rodigan 2100 News & Steve Mason 2300 News & Richard Allinson

SUNDAY

0100 News & Something for the Weekend 0300 News & Pressure Drop 0400 News & Bob Harris 0700 News & David Rodigan 0900 News & Weekend Gold 1000 The World This Weekend 1100 Rockumentary 1200 Something for the Weekend 1400 Richard Allinson 1600 News & Bob Harris 1900 News & Weekend Gold 2100 News & Pressure Drop 2200 News & London Tonight

MONDAY

0000 London tonight continued 0100 News & In Concert 0200 News & Rockumentary 0300 News & Essential selection 0400 News & "Today"

from Radio 4 0500 News & Early Breakfast 0600 News & Local Breakfast Show 0900 News & Gold 1000 News & FIBS Morning Show 1200 News & Announcements 1215 The Archers 1230 Feature 1300 News & Afternoon Show 1600 News & Essential Selection 1700 Connect UK 1900 News & Gold 2000 News & The Rockshow 2200 London Tonight

TUESDAY

0100 News & America's Finest 0300 - 2000 As Monday 2000 News & Steve Mason 2200 News & London Tonight

WEDNESDAY

0100 News & John Peel 0300 - 2000 As Monday 2000 News & America's Finest 2200 News & London Tonight

THURSDAY

0100 News & The Rockshow 0300 - 2000 As Monday 2000 News & John Peel 2200 News & London Tonight

FRIDAY

0100 News & David Rodigan 0300 - 1900 As Monday 1900 Essential Selection 2000 News & Friday Dance 2200 News & Drum N Bass



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Argentina

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CRONICA 6/11/97

London warns that the Falklands will not be discussed
The British government on Wednesday accompanied their display of improvement towards President Carlos Menem, officially invited to London, with a clear warning: No way will the British sovereignty over the Falklands archipelago be touched. "In no way will sovereignty be discussed. That is the current position of the British government and it will be so when the Argentine president comes and he is well aware of that," a Foreign Office spokesperson told AFP.

This re-confirmation of the United Kingdom position concerning this touchy question, stops hopes that had arisen with the invitation, 15 years after the short war between both countries in 1982, during which 652 Argentines and 255 British soldiers died.

The Foreign Office, concerned about limiting the impact of the announcement, outlined that the invitation was only the culmination of the good relations developed by the United Kingdom and Argentina in London and Buenos Aires, since 1990, when diplomatic relations were restored between the two countries. Symbolically, at the beginning of the year, relatives of Argentine soldiers who died during the conflict were able to visit the archipelago.

CLARIN 6/11/97

After Menem's invitation An eventual gesture by London, in favour of the Kelpers is worrying. London is studying the possibility of increasing the judicial status of its 13 colonies. This could be another step towards the autonomy of the Falklands. The foreign ministry has asked British diplomats about the project.

By Daniel Santoro

The government is concerned about the possibility that the Falklands be included in a general revision of the status of its colonies, which Great Britain is doing, official sources told *Clarín*. The revision would mean the transformation of the colonies, which are currently known as "dependent territories" would become "foreign territories."

The study of this possibility was mentioned by the British government to the foreign ministry off the record and was then mentioned in the Falklands by the director for the South Atlantic and Antarctic of the Foreign Office John With, during a visit to the Islands.

Even though the British confirmed that this change of status will "not include" Falklands and Gibraltar (over which Great Britain has a dispute with Spain). Argentine diplomats are following closely the study, whose results will be known next February in London, during a conference of the 13 "dependent territories" London currently has, following the return of Hong Kong to the Republic of China. The other dependent territories are, for example, the Bermudas.

Another of the measures which will be included in the study, an-

nounced by Foreign Minister Robin Cook, last August, would be to grant British citizenship - which the Kelper already have - to the inhabitants of the other dependent territories, now that Hong Kong and its millions of inhabitants have been handed over to the Chinese.

"It is a cosmetic change because many dependent territories are bothered by this phrase which seems to imply colony, and reminiscent of the times of the British Empire," explained the Foreign Office to the Argentine foreign ministry, to calm them down.

This analysis is another attempt to consolidate the status quo of the Falklands, after the Kelpers attempt at getting the United Nations Decolonisation Committee to recognise their right to self-determination. The self-determination will be the first step towards declaring the Falklands, as a free state, associated to Great Britain, now that they obtain an annual income of 30 million dollars from the sale of fishing licences and expect to earn much more with the royalties which they will obtain if oil is found in the waters around the Falklands.

HEATHER M BRILEY INTERVIEWED ARGENTINE VETERANS OF THE CONFLICT IN BUENOS AIRES ON FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 1997.

What do you think about President Carlos Menem's visit to the United Kingdom next year?

Hector Beiroa: "We heard about the visit through the newspapers, there was no official communication although we are in contact with the foreign ministry with whom we have a close relationship which has improved with organising the visit of the relatives to Darwin cemetery and the trips to the decolonisation committee of the United Nations. Ever since this link began with the ministry they have officially informed us many times about the characteristics of Argentine foreign policy concerning the Falklands. A couple of day's ago we had an informal meeting to discuss the arrangements for the forthcoming visit and during that informal meeting we were told that undoubtedly the visit will create big expectations, not just in this country but internationally. We have always been very clear on this matter, there is a need for Argentina, through its Head of State, to bear in mind the matter of the Argentine sovereignty of the Falkland Islands, South Georgia and South Sandwich in a trip to London and not just for the matter to be present but that it is a very important matter in bilateral relations. If not what happened before in the Argentine politics, in all the other attempts to re-establish relations in 1966, 1968, the implementation of the famous umbrella, which has postponed the matter of Argentine sovereignty, which is in favour of British interests of maintaining their position over the Falkland Islands. Of course the fact that we suggest negotiations concerning sovereignty does not mean that the United Kingdom will accept them, but Argentina would do well, in this case through its representative the Head of State in having the sovereignty issue present as a very important or the most important one of the matters to be discussed on the bilateral agenda. It is not

just in the relationship with the British, also through the press and other ways to reach the British people so that they know the rights and what is Argentina's position concerning the matter. In that aspect all the publicity President Menem can give to the matter is very important. There are also other officials who are travelling, shortly the defence minister will go to London. It is important for the British people to know what is Argentina's position.

Do you think that if sovereignty of the Islands is not on the agenda Menem should not go to England?

The problem is the following. Today bilateral relations linked to the Falklands do not just concern, as an important issue, the sovereignty claim, but there are also pending negotiations concerning the conservation of fauna and oil exploration and exploitation. There are very strong economic matters and in some way it is convenient to postpone the sovereignty issue and continue with a certain status quo which allows investments to take place, which are taking place in the Falklands area.

You mean it suits both Great Britain and Argentina

Correct, but there are also third parties involved not just Great Britain and Argentina, third countries, who, to be able to invest, require judicial security and when there is an unresolved conflict it is complicated. We believe that it would be good if both governments were aware of the fact that dealing with the sovereignty issue would affect the economic interests of the area. From the point of view of the Argentine interest sovereignty cannot go on being postponed because there is also inclusively a Constitutional right which lays down Argentine rights over the Falkland Islands and there is a promise on the part of President Menem to recover the islands by the year 2000.

And what should Argentina do to recover the Islands?

First of all they should modify their foreign policy 180 degrees, it is a policy which has obtained no results concerning the sovereignty of the Falklands, even though there have been economic achievements. The Senate is dealing with the hydrocarbons law the fishing law has been approved but has to be signed. There has to be a radical change in the country's foreign policy, more active presence in all the international forums where there are many countries which could support the Argentine claim of sovereignty, this is from a diplomatic point of view but they should have a stronger position concerning bilateral relations which are not directly connected to the sovereignty claim. For example English investments, trade, politics with the United Kingdom. There are discussion groups which are made up of members of parliament; it is very important that a space for discussion and debate is created, but it is very important that sovereignty is included and that the right atmosphere is created to discuss this matter.

Lets talk about the relatives visit to the Islands

Hector Citeros: On the 19th of this month, 15 relatives are travelling to the Falklands and a Catholic priest, who

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will offer spiritual support as has been done on the previous visits. This is a series of three trips which have taken place this year and we are co-ordinating with the Argentine foreign ministry, that from January, February, next year they begin again. So far there have been a total of four visits, which have all been the work of the veterans foundation and the commission of relatives of those who died in Falklands, who are the organisations who want these visits to take place. They will come back on the 20th, so they will be in the Falklands about 24 hours. It is foreseen that the Islands government and military personnel receive the group. Later the group will be transported to an inn about 70 kilometres from Mount Pleasant-Darwin and that is where they will begin their visit to the cemetery. We want all those relatives who have not been able to visit their dead to do so. They are completely humanitarian trips. Altogether there will have been a total of 45 relatives visiting the graves this year. There are wives, sisters, brothers, mothers and fathers in the group, each representing different families going on this trip. On this trip there will be eleven women and five men including the priest. The aeroplane is Chilean but will leave from the Buenos Aires city airport military base, will make a technical stop in Comodoro Rivadavia and the fly on to the Islands where they will arrive at about 2pm on the 19th. On the 20th after visiting the cemetery the group will come back to Buenos Aires about 8pm. The Argentine government pays for the trips, we are the ones who negotiate them but the government pays for them, as they should.

Victor Menzies: "The co-ordination is also done by the veterans commission which depends upon the interior ministry."

Are there any trips scheduled for next year?

In January, February and March and then again, if everything goes ahead as we hope, in October. What we calculate are six or seven trips a year so that all the relatives who want to can visit the Falklands. They need to go, it is a spiritual need, to re-meet their loved ones. God, in some cases, it is good for them to visit the graves of our dead, they are on Argentine soil, because the Falklands belong to Ar-



British press Headline stories: Nov 7 - Nov 13

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 1997

INTEREST RATE RISE

The news that interest rates have risen for the fifth time since the Labour Government came to power in May dominates the front page of *The Times*. The move, by the Bank of England, is condemned by the opposition Conservative party, with one senior politician calling it "a punch in the guts" for businesses and homeowners. The *Times* says the Bank's decision to increase base rates to 7.25 per cent only days after London's Stock Market suffered a severe collapse has stunned the British financial sector.

ANGLO/FRENCH SUMMIT

The Independent fills half of its front page with the news that the Prime Minister, Tony Blair, will today greet his French counterpart at the top of the ultra-modern Canary Wharf tower in London's Docklands, rather than in the more traditional setting of an oak-paneled state room. The change of tack, the paper says, is a bid by Mr Blair to portray Britain in a more modern, less stuffy light.

NEIL HAMILTON

The Guardian turns its attention to the disgraced former Conservative Minister, Neil Hamilton, who has been strongly rebuked by a Parliamentary committee which found there was compelling evidence that he accepted money to ask questions in Parliament. The paper says Mr Hamilton was shown to have acted with "a casualness that bordered on contempt" in his financial dealings.

SIR ISAIAH BERLIN DIES

And *The Guardian* joins other papers in marking the death of Sir Isaiah Berlin - philosopher, historian, and once described as Britain's greatest thinker. According to *The Daily Telegraph*, no one has written more convincingly or lucidly about the world of thought.

BA SABOTAGE THREAT

Meanwhile *The Mirror* says that detectives are investigating a bizarre sabotage threat to British Airways. The paper says anonymous extremists are urging cabin crews to poison pilots' food, damage controls and disrupt flights.

LORD CHANCELLOR SEEKS NEW IMAGE

Finally, another break with the

past. *The Times* reports that Britain's most senior law officer, the Lord Chancellor, wants to sweep away the ancient trappings of his office. Lord Irvine of Lairg is apparently keen to scrap the traditional 17th century costume of wig, tight and buckled shoes which go with his job as part of moves to modernise the judiciary.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR MONDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 1997

TENSION RISES OVER IRAQ

The heightened tension in the Gulf provoked by Iraq's failure to comply with United Nations weapons inspections features prominently on several of the front pages. *The Times* says fears of a military conflict in the region have grown following Baghdad's threat to shoot down the American-piloted UN spy plane that is set to resume surveillance flights over Iraq today.

The paper says Iraq has ordered a maximum state of alert for all army units. All military leave has been cancelled, it says, and all commanders have been told to expect an attack. *The Independent* says the British Prime Minister, Tony Blair, has made it clear his country would support United States forces in any military strikes. The paper comments that Mr Blair is keen to ensure that the US does not appear isolated. It says the British Government is considering the use of Tornado fighter bombers, which were employed in the Gulf War.

EUROPEAN MONETARY UNION

A number of papers report that Britain will today take its first practical steps towards joining the European single currency. They say the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Gordon Brown, will announce that the Government is planning a public education campaign to promote monetary union. *The Daily Telegraph* comments that the campaign will be similar to the one before decimalisation in 1971, to prepare people for the prospect of euro notes and coins early next century. The leadership of the opposition Conservative Party, however, continues to voice objections to early membership of the single currency. This stance, says the *Guardian*, has put the party on a collision course with business leaders - traditional Conservative supporters - after a new survey showed wide business backing for

monetary union. MARY SHELLEY MANUSCRIPT DISCOVERED IN ITALY

Finally, the discovery of a literary treasure is featured in *The Times*. It says a long-lost story for children, by Mary Shelley, the author of *Frankenstein*, has been found in the private archives of an Italian family. The paper says the manuscript - about a boy who runs away from home and is adopted by a fisherman - had lain unread and unnoticed for more than 150 years.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR WEDNESDAY 12 NOVEMBER 1997

THREAT TO IRAQ DROPPED

The crisis over weapons inspections in Iraq exercises the more serious papers. *The Independent* says the United States is struggling to find allies in its confrontation with President Saddam Hussein. It says hair-splitting over the numbers of Americans allowed on United Nations weapons inspection teams could become part of any eventual settlement. *The Times* says the United States and Britain have dropped a threat of "serious consequences" if Iraq continues to bar American inspectors, in the face of opposition from France, Russia and China. The paper warns against punitive air strikes. It says they do little military or economic damage, yet kill real people. It says Saddam Hussein has precipitated the crisis to win precisely that outcome, which would be certain to boost his standing.

LOUISE WOODWARD

The Louise Woodward affair still gets prominent coverage, although many of the papers deem that the inside pages are now sufficient for the British au pair, whose murder conviction for killing the baby in her care has been reduced to manslaughter. *The Independent* says the rowdy joy her supporters displayed when news of the reduced sentence came through has been replaced by restraint: it says cheers and smiles suddenly seemed inappropriate. A columnist in *The Times* speaks of what she calls "the bloodlust of the British public in its eagerness to exonerate Miss Woodward. By way of illustration, the columnist says that a woman in the au pair's home town was beaten up for refusing to wear the yellow ribbon that has become the emblem of her supporters. *The Mirror* paraphrases the anger of the baby's mother, with a headline in the form of a question about her former employee: "Why is she a hero with a fan club?"

MICHAEL SCHUMACHER

There is also much indignation about a perceived injustice in the sporting world - the supposed leniency shown to the former World Formula One motor racing champion, Michael Schumacher by the sport's ruling body. *The Sun* says that Schumacher has both cheated and prospered, now that he has merely been stripped of his second

place for ramming the eventual champion, Jacques Villeneuve in the deciding race of the season.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR THURSDAY 13 NOVEMBER 1997

POLITICAL PARTY FUNDING

The focus of today's front page headlines is on the issue of large donations by businesses and their representatives to British political parties. As the *Financial Times* puts it, the Labour Prime Minister, Tony Blair, has called for a ceiling on political spending in an attempt to end the Conservatives' long-standing financial advantage, and extricate the government from its worst crisis yet.

The call follows controversy over a donation of one million pounds by the controller of Formula-One racing, Bernie Ecclestone, to the Labour Party which had exempted motor racing from a ban on tobacco sponsorship. Labour is returning the money and stressing that the donation had nothing to do with its decision on tobacco sponsorship. But the *Independent* says Cabinet colleagues of Mr Blair are privately dismayed over his handling of the issue, and it says the brutal message was pungently put by the Independent MP, Martin Bell, who said the perception of wrong-doing can be as damaging to public confidence as wrong-doing itself.

RONNIE BIGGS EXTRADITION REFUSED

The Guardian, *Telegraph* and *Times* give prominence to a picture of Britain's most notorious fugitive, Ronnie Biggs, one of the so-called Great Train Robbers, smiling broadly after a Brazilian court turned down a request for his extradition to Britain. *The Times* says the ruling means the 68-year old will see out his days in the safety and warmth of Rio de Janeiro, where he has lived for most of the last 32 years, following his escape from a British prison.

SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAQ

One of the most prominent foreign stories is the UN vote on further limited sanctions against Iraq. *The Daily Telegraph* says that Iraqi defiance of the UN's travel ban on senior Iraqi officials has set the scene for possible American and British military action next week - if President Saddam Hussein carries out his threat, so the paper says. Washington has also suffered a double snub by it's boycotting of an American sponsored conference on economic co-operation between Arabs and Israelis.

MERCEDES MODEL WITHDRAWN

There is also wide coverage of the decision by the German car manufacturer, Mercedes Benz, to withdraw from sale its new small car, the A-Class model. *The Guardian* is one of a number of papers showing a picture of the model rolling over in a road test, which raised doubts about its safety.



News from South America

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BOMBS FOUND IN AMBASSADOR MARSDEN'S HOTEL IN CORDOBA

Argentine Foreign Minister Guido Di Tella said that the bomb incident in Cordoba involving the British Ambassador was not the prevailing feeling among Argentines regarding Great Britain.

Di Tella visited William Marsden on his return from Cordoba where a bomb and two powerful explosives were found at the hotel in Cordoba where the British diplomat was staying, and in a nearby British school.

Marsden completed his three day official visit to the city, the second most important in Argentina, with a special police escort.

Although there was no immediate sign to link the incident to the dispute between Britain and Argentina over the Falkland Islands, the federal judge investigating the case said it was "not difficult to reach such a conclusion."

"It looks more like a threat, since no message was left," said Judge Ricardo Bustos. Another of the explosives was found next to the British school, one of the most traditional and exclusive schools of Cordoba.

Ambassador Marsden, back in Buenos Aires, downplayed the incident saying it was the action of some "crazy nuts", and was grateful for the quick action of the police and Justice Department.

LAND PRICES BOOM IN ARGENTINA

London term speculators and a strong demand for beef and agricultural commodities have land prices in Argentina booming. Among the speculators are well known international tycoons such as the Italian Benetton family and George Soros, the British-Hungarian financial agent who has acquired 1.3 and 1 million acres, both of good grazing and agriculture land.

"With the coming global economy, land in Argentina is still cheap and an interesting long term investment," explained an agent from Buenos Aires based Di la Serna Business Brokers.

But Argentine businessmen and bankers, some of whom have sold their family assets to foreign corporations are also buying land.

For former banker Luis Otero Monsegur, the beginning of the end of farm subsidies in Europe, and access to the American and Japanese beef markets next year when Argentina will be declared free of foot and mouth disease, "offer very encouraging prospects," with a potential earnings return rate "between 13 and 15%." According to Cresud, Soros' Argentine partners, a hectare of farm land in Japan costs 280,000 US dollars; in the United States, 7,000; in Australia 4,700 and in Argentina 3,700. Prices for good grazing land are as follows, 112,000 US dollars a hectare in Japan; 3,500 in the US, 2,800 in Australia and 1,500 in Argentina.

But Cresud also points to the fact that with businessmen and heavy investments rapidly moving into agricul-

ture, family farming is also disappearing.

"Twenty years ago with 30,000 hectares you were considered a big landowner, no more, now you need at least double that number and heavy capital investment if you want to compete and make a reasonable 10% profit on your assets," says Marcelo Mindlin from Cresud.

HAKE PLANT IN PUERTO WILLIAMS

A fish processing and freezing plant with a daily capacity of fifteen tons was officially inaugurated in Puerto Williams, Chilean Tierra del Fuego. During the ceremony, a first shipment of 105 tons of hake was loaded on a reefer bound for Vigo where it is expected to arrive by mid December.

The two million dollar industrial investment which employs 23 persons, will be supplied by sixteen coastal vessels and two high seas trawlers that will be catching mainly hake and cod. The processing plant and the adjoining deep water loading jetty belong to the Punta Arenas Concar company which was granted several tax incentives to make the investment.

CHILEAN ANTARCTIC INSTITUTE MOVES TO PUNTA ARENAS

An extension of subsidies to all productive activities, tax incentives, more decision making powers to local government and the transfer of the Chilean Antarctic Institute main offices to Punta Arenas, were some of the measures announced by Chilean President Eduardo Frei during his three days tour of the extreme south of the country.

"These incentives are targeted to develop the region and attract investors from overseas," said President Frei who added that a complementary set of measures, the so called "Plan Austral", are presently under legislative consideration.

According to officials from the Public Works Ministry, a percentage of the capital investment projects decided in Santiago will now be leased out to local contractors by regional governments.

President Frei also spent a day visiting Chilean bases in the South Pole and anticipated Chile will be prepared for when the more strict international regulations concerning environmental conservation of the Antarctic become enforceable next April. Chile, which has been in the Antarctic for over half a century, currently has seven bases and is planning to set up another one in Patriot Hills, just 600 miles from the South Pole. President Frei, before returning to Santiago, officially inaugurated the new jetty and port facilities in Punta Arenas.

RECORD LOW WOOL PRODUCTION

Falling numbers of sheep, bad weather and better returns from other farming activities will make wool production fall to a record low this season according to the Interna-

tional Wool Textile Organisation.

The global production forecasts for the 1997/98 season, (July-June), stand at 1.438 million metric tons (clean basis), down from 1.468 million tons in 96/97 and 28% down from 1989/90 all time record.

The organisation predicts another record crop for China and a further big drop in the former Soviet republics. Supplies however will comfortably meet demand in 97/98, because of continuing sales from the Australian stockpile. Some of the forecasts for 97/98 in thousand tons, with 96/97 comparisons in brackets, are as follows: Australia 450(451); New Zealand 195(203); China 159(150); former Soviet Union 83(100); Uruguay 55(60); United Kingdom 40(42); South Africa 38(37); Argentina 37(41); Brazil 11(11) -

FISHMEAL PRICES SOAR

During the last twelve months fishmeal prices have soared almost 11% from an average 557 US dollars a ton, to 618 dollars in September '97, a trend which is expected to continue during the coming year.

Increasing prices are a consequence of the "El Nino" phenomenon which has had a negative influence in Peruvian catches, the main world supplier of fishmeal.

Chilean fishermen so far have been more fortunate but officials from Chile's Fisheries Department are warning that exceptionally warm waters are expected during the coming weeks in the north of the country. The proximity of summer along with high temperatures of the surface water, between 2.5 and 4 degrees Celsius above normal, plus a climatic anomaly of even higher temperatures moving south along the coast will have an impact on Chilean northern fisheries.

WORST LEGISLATIVE SETBACK FOR CLINTON

US President Bill Clinton suffered one of his worst legislative setbacks when he had to concede defeat on his attempt to win from Congress the so called "fast track" or expanded trade negotiating power.

After strong personal lobbying during the whole weekend, but unable to convince a significant group of dissident Democrats, Clinton had to accept the postponement of the House of Representatives vote because of its certain failure.

The decision puts in doubt whether the Clinton administration can launch during 1998 the announced negotiations on a Free Trade Area of the Americas, a project strongly supported by the US business and financial community, but rejected by trade unions and environmentalist groups.

Clinton said he would seek passage of the fast track legislation next year, but 1998 will be an election year and opposition to the plan could be even stronger. The fast track gives the White House authority to negotiate trade deals, which Congress can only accept or reject, but cannot add amendments, a time consuming process. The absence of this authority caused concern in the World Trade Organisation because it could cloud prospects for future global trade talks including those on farm produce which are expected to begin in early 2000.

"This is bad news indeed, without fast track the US position is going to look very hollow", said a senior delegate to WTO, who added that "history shows that we need the leadership of the single top trade power to get things done in the trade negotiating process".

FALKLANDS AND GIBRALTAR
The seventh Ibero-American summit which was held in this Caribbean island belonging to Venezuela, ended a day earlier than expected with a clear commitment to "strengthen and perfect

democracy," as well as an unexpected reference to the Falklands and Gibraltar. After the final declaration was drafted and signed, President Henrique Cardoso of Brazil was the first of the leaders of Spain, Portugal and 19 Latin American countries to leave, forced by the financial speculation against the Brazilian currency.

The summit's final declaration is as common on these occasions covers several wide ranging issues, calling in general terms for social justice, freedom of expression and free access to information, protection of human rights, fight against poverty, terrorism, drug trade and corruption, as well as the need for free and fair elections.

The document also, for the first time, calls on Argentina and Great Britain to continue talks on sovereignty over the Falklands "as soon as possible", and makes a similar reference to Spain's claims over Gibraltar.

In a rather dull and disorganised summit, as has happened previously, Fidel Castro from Cuba and President Carlos Menem from Argentina were at the centre of the state. A frail Castro defended "people's power", and condemned Western-style democracy which is governed, he stressed, "by the rich for the rich."

Menem said, "real democracy is freedom, respect for human rights and giving the native born the possibility of progressing in their own country, and being able to leave it without being watched."

DRASTIC BUDGET CUTS IN BRAZIL

As Brazilians prepare for what seems a lean Christmas, opposition to the government's 51 points austerity plan is mounting among civil servants and Congressmen who say the plan only penalizes workers and the middle class instead of the rich.

The "package" that includes tax hikes, layoffs, and spending cuts, is expected to save at least 18 billion US dollars next year and help boost investors' confidence in the Brazilian currency and financial standing. But it could also raise unemployment and plunge the Brazilian economy into a recession.

Of the 51 measures, 23 must be approved by Congress, and even the Senate president, a government ally, admits that some of them will have to be modified before they are even considered. The plan raises personal income tax, excise taxes on fuel, cars and liquor, and includes plans to layoff 33,000 civil servants and reduce 100,000 pensions. While the rate hike and budget cuts announcements were welcomed by local and global investors, the government has had to slash by half its 1998 economic growth forecast which now stands at 2%.

Brazil's neighbours are also concerned that the Brazilian recession could reduce demand for Mercosur goods. Some economists believe that Argentina's economic growth may be cut as much as one and a half percentage point (from 6.5% to 5%), during 1998. In Uruguay exporters are waiting for "the dust to settle" before making any comments, but the main confederation of industry, does not discard requesting compensatory incentives.

TOURIST INDUSTRY COMPLAINING

But one of the 51 measures did bring an immediate reaction from neighbouring countries: that was the decision to raise the airport embarkation fee on international flights, from 18 to 90 US dollars.

Tourism industry representatives in Buenos Aires and Montevideo complained that the measure could dramatically reduce revenues for the regional operators, particularly now when the summer season is about to begin.

gentina, historically it does, and by fact, so we will go and visit it as often as we can, that is what the veterans' federation and relatives' commission want.

How are you getting on with your obtaining your pensions?

Last Wednesday part of the pensions law was approved which applies to those veterans who had not been included before, and families of those who died. It has been approved by the Deputies and Senate and now it is waiting for the president's signature, we hope as soon as possible. This will benefit about 4,000 people with a pension and health scheme, the rest of the ex-soldiers and relatives were already covered. The pension is US\$300 per month.

Saturday 8th November 1997

CLARIN

Falkland Islands

Will be mentioned but not negotiated

DURING the visit President Carlos Menem will carry out next year to Great Britain, the Argentine government will claim Argentine rights in the South Atlantic, in the same way that it has been doing at United Nations meetings and other international organisations.

The Foreign Ministry yesterday (Friday) said, "There will not be substantial negotiations concerning the Falklands question. Argentine will reiterate its position which it has stated at the United Nations and other international forums," it said in a communiqué.

According to the communiqué the invitation issued to Menem, "was transmitted without any conditions and without excluding any issues," to Foreign Minister Di Tella by his British colleague Robin Cook during the meeting they had last Tuesday in London. Which means there are no obstructions for the Falklands to be included in the agenda when Menem and British Prime Minister Tony Blair meet.

Ever since the invitation became known - it will be the first visit of an Argentine president since the 1982 Falklands war - a polemic began as to whether the sovereignty of the Islands should be on the agenda or not. After the conflict, the British Government never accepted to discuss this matter. Members of the opposition Alliance have also said that if the sovereignty issue is not going to be discussed Menem should not go to the United Kingdom.

LA NACION 8/11/97

For the first time claims for the Falklands will be endorsed

Margarita Island, Special envoy

It is the first time that a document of the Ibero-American summit meeting will deal with the sovereignty conflict between Argentina and the United Kingdom, over the Falklands Islands. The declaration, which will be issued tomorrow (Sunday) which the presidents will sign, will request that the negotiations resume to find a peaceful solution to the difference, as soon as possible.

The text says no more than the resolutions of the United Nations, which also urges both countries to negotiate and which the United Kingdom has refused to discuss since the war ended in 1982 because they consider the sovereignty issue over and done with.

The declaration says that the solution should include territorial integrity and that Argentina opposes the right for self-determination which the Islanders (Falklands) invoke.

The Argentine position is that the Islanders cannot hold a plebiscite and

decide their future freely, because there is a sovereignty conflict between Argentina and the United Kingdom and that it should be resolved in accordance to the principles of territorial integrity.

Including Falklands in the document arose because Portugal requested the case of East Timor, an Island they have a conflict with Indonesia over, be mentioned. The Portuguese, unlike what happens with Argentina in the Falklands, asks that the conflict be resolved by asking the population of Timor.

The Argentine and Spanish delegation agreed to include the matter Portugal requested, but refused that the Margarita Declaration invoke the principal of self-determination and also requested that the document mention the Falklands and Gibraltar, the rock which is under the power of the United Kingdom, with whom Spain has a sovereignty dispute.

LA PRENSA 8/11/97

Di Tella responds to criticism concerning Menem's visit to London

Foreign Minister Guido Di Tella questioned on Friday the Alliance's position against President Carlos Menem's visit to London, if among the issues on the agenda the Argentine sovereignty of the Falklands Islands is not included, and claimed that the British government's invitation "consolidates the relations at the highest level and generates trust."

"I do not share the theory that he should not go if the matter is not discussed. With that reasoning, the way of obtaining it is never," complained the minister, who considers it a success in itself for getting Prime Minister Tony Blair's Labour government to invite Menem.

Speaking to the press at Ezeiza airport, Di Tella said that Argentine officials "are happy and content," with the invitation - which will take place during the second half of next year - and warned that he will oppose anyone who "think absurd or incorrect things."

"We have achieved the substantial," outlined the foreign minister and also defended the strategy the foreign ministry has been carrying out with the aim of recovering sovereignty of the Falkland Islands. He recalled, that after the war in 1982, British trade was "nearly null and void" and at the present time it reaches "200 million dollars with financing up to 1,200 millions. That's dosh, big dosh," he said, using slang to enhance his point.

Defending the importance the ministry gives to Menem's invitation he pointed out that it "consolidates relations at the highest level and generates trust. We are the 13th country as far as importance and contribution is concerned at the United Nations. We belong to the West Alliance, not because we are eccentric, but because it is the main one and the one which benefits us most."

"We are United States extra-NATO allies and now we have obtained the visit to London. Concluding, we follow this path, because it is the one which suits us best, simply that," he reasoned.

NOTICIAS 8/11/97

This magazine, which deals with local and international events (which is considered by many as the local equivalent to *Time* or *Newsweek*) does not refer to President Menem's visit to London itself. However, in a section called "Spy", under the heading "Pulse" it asks the question:

What should Argentina do so that Great Britain accepts to resume negotiations concerning the sovereignty of the Falkland Islands?

Andres Cisneros (vice foreign min-

ister) Continue with this process of normalising relations with Great Britain. In that way, sooner or later we will make our rights valid and we will accomplish what is laid down in our Constitution"

Carlos Perez Llana (radical party shadow foreign minister): "We have to insist in international organisms. Now we have a wonderful opportunity, the trip is programmed and the agenda has to be put together. We must expect the government to include something linked to the Falklands issue."

Dante Caputo (former foreign minister): "Increase the diplomatic cost of the English occupation. This is done in international forums. Menem withdrew the issue and lost the opportunity to find a solution. This government is nearly as responsible as the British, for the lack of a solution."

Carlos Escude (expert in international affairs): "Carry out such a successful economies of the world and a country which the Kelpers would be proud to call their own land. For that decades of work are necessary."

AMBITO FINANCIERO 10/11/97

Reconstruction

The group of relatives will spend the night in a hostel in Darwin, a mansion with a dozen rooms, which was reconstructed with contributions from the Argentine government.

Last October 9th the vote to choose the new members of the Legislative Council took place and among those re-elected was Norma Edwards, who represents the hard-line as far as the visit of relatives of soldiers who lost their lives in the fighting. Edwards, when the last visit took place on January 22nd publicly complained to the government in London because she interpreted that the increase in the frequency of the humanitarian visits was against the policy of rejecting contact with the Argentines. In March, this newspaper reproduced, as a scoop, a document of the Kelper Government called "Political Briefing from the Falkland Islands Government," which expressed the Islanders position concerning the humanitarian visits. In one of the paragraphs the document said: "The Falkland Islands Government believes that it would be appropriate if the bodies of those killed were repatriated to Argentina." And inclusively offered to finance the transfer.

Up to now no modification of this position has been heard of. However during the electoral platforms of the recent campaign, Mike Summers - shareholder of the new airline, Falkland Islands Airways, which will soon fly Sao Paulo, Uruguay, Stanley - Sharon Halford and Jan Cheek, considered that the refusal to allow citizens with Argentine passports could not be made more flexible in the case of direct relatives of those who died in combat.

The Governor of the Falklands Richard Ralph, an official appointed by the Foreign Office, and whose last job was at the embassy of Lithuania, is the one who has to inform the members of the Legislative Council of the plans and movements concerning the relatives' visit. The official has recently received criticism for a decision to give priority to work to improve the part of the road which leads to Darwin cemetery.

AMBITO FINANCIERO 10/11/97

The Kelpers want to return the bodies of Falklands fallen

The Foreign Ministry is organising another trip to the Falkland Islands of the relatives of war veterans who were killed during the 1982 conflict. The preparations are going on discreetly between Argentine diplomats and officials of the British Embassy,

which Ambassador William Marsden is in charge of. The visit is scheduled for the second fortnight of the month and will take the mourners to Stanley. The visit will take place between November 19th and 20th and the group will be made up of 15 relatives. As is usual, the Foreign Office has already informed the Legislative Council of the Islanders, who approved the relatives' visit.

The visit is being handled with a low profile to avoid political manipulation and it is hoped that Guido Di Tella's negotiations increase the frequency of the humanitarian visits. Relatives told this newspaper that 15 years after the conflict and with the high level of relations with Great Britain, there should be a better willingness on the part of the Islanders to let the relatives go and pray at their loved ones graves more frequently.

The Islanders fear is that the increase in visits of the Argentines weaken their position of not having contact with the Continent. Rex Hunt, former governor of the Islands and present share-holder of the oil company Desire Petroleum, was one of the first to indicate that, "the relatives have no political interests but there is the risk that their visits could be used with propaganda aims."

Nonetheless, the political aspect was in the Kelpers minds in the document *Ambito Financiero* published as a scoop on March 13th in which it laid down the fear concerning the humanitarian visits.

The relatives will visit the 234 graves in Darwin Cemetery and there will be a religious service. The transfers will take place from the local airport to the cemetery, will once again involve complicated arrangements, to avoid contact with the residents.

WOOL MARKET REPORT 7

NOVEMBER 1997

WOOL MARKETS

AUSTRALIA Sydney - Merino fleece generally unchanged with 25 - 26 micron slightly dearer and 25 - 26 micron up to 1½% dearer. Crossbreds 27-28 micron 2% cheaper, remainder unchanged.

Adelaide - Merino fleece generally unchanged with 25 - 26 micron 1% dearer

Freemantle - Merino fleece generally unchanged with 24 - 26 micron 2% dearer

NEW ZEALAND

Christchurch - Most merino fleece were firm to dearer buy up to 2%. Halfbreds were dearer by 2%, and crossbred fleece was unchanged with stronger descriptions in buyers favour. Second shears were slightly dearer.

General The latest 0.25% rise in UK lending rates took the textile trade as much by surprise as it did the markets. The bank of England may be able to identify inflationary pressures but for the textile industry all the pressures for many months have seemed to be in the opposite direction.

Sterling strength in particular, now further enhanced has made new export business extremely difficult to obtain and greatly increased the damage done by competitive imports.

Weakness is against continental Europe, where the wool textile industry is flourishing with exchange rates in their favour, and also against Asian countries which provide some of the import competition.

The problem is already causing harm in some wool textile industry sectors, but others are able to keep busy with orders already on the books. Combing remains very busy coping with a good call for deliveries. After reduction in European combing capacity related to the preceding recession.

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Who needs consultants?

by Andrew Gurr

A CONSULTANT is always fair game. The current cult management book, "The Dilbert Principle" defines a consultant as, "a person who takes your money and annoys your employees while tirelessly searching for the best way to extend the consulting contract."

There are many examples that prove such cynicism justified but there are also numerous success stories where the use of consultants has been of considerable benefit.

There are obvious reasons why a small Island economy such as our

may need to use consultants but by far the most significant is that we cannot expect to have access to all specialist knowledge within our home environment - indeed to do so would be very inefficient, as the need for such knowledge is often spasmodic.

Thus, the FIG generally operates a policy of only employing consultants when the skill or time is not available within government. It is also our policy to use Island-based consultants where appropriate.

Within the FIG we have re-

Project	Total	No.	%
Oil	1,553,242	13	36.17
Fisheries	1,269,465	4	29.56
Secretariat	592,847	5	13.81
Public Relations	445,379	3	10.37
PWD	139,860	9	3.26
Attorney General	119,299	1	2.78
FIDC	78,450	4	1.83
Agriculture	38,307	2	0.89
Treasury	26,178	2	0.61
Fire & Rescue	17,968	1	0.42
Education	6,815	1	0.16
Aviation	3,868	1	0.09
Medical	2,442	1	0.06

Possible breakthrough for land mine clearance

ACCORDING to *The Sunday Times*, American Scientists believe they are close to solving one of the world's most pressing humanitarian problems, that of land mines. Scientists from a nuclear research facility in California have invented a simple radar device that can pinpoint land mines left buried in the ground.

The radar system invented by scientists at the Lawrence Livermore laboratory can be cheaply produced and used like a metal detector. But it has a much greater range and could even be operated from a helicopter hovering over a minefield.

The hand-held version pinpoints land mines in a three dimensional display of the soil. This is relayed to an eyepiece, worn by the operator. The machine's problem-

atic tendency in early trials to highlight other objects such as tree roots, large stones and metallic waste, has been corrected and new prototype with extra chips has performed impressively in the laboratory.

One of the challenges facing scientists was to calibrate it to specific terrains, such as the iron-rich soil of Cambodia and the hard, stony ground of Afghanistan.

"A lot of people have tried solving this problem but few have gone out on the ground to see what the problems of the de-miners are," scientist Tom Rosenbury told *The Sunday Times*. He went on, "Since we've got the most advanced ground-penetrating radar in the world, I think we've got a pretty good shot."

PUBLIC NOTICE

APPLICATIONS are invited to fill two vacancies for Sports Attendants at the Leisure Centre commencing duties as soon as possible. One is a permanent post and the other is temporary. For those applicants who do not hold the lifeguard qualification, full lifeguard training will be given.

The successful applicants must be physically fit and willing to work as part of a close knit team during unsocial hours including weekends and public holidays. Working hours will vary between 25 and 35 per week, depending on the shift.

Rate of pay will commence at £4.27 per hour for an unqualified person and £4.60 per hour for a qualified person.

Full details of these positions may be obtained by contacting the Recreation Manager, Mr Paul Riddell on telephone number 27291 during normal working hours. Application forms are available from the Human Resources Department, Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to that Department stating clearly which post you are interested in, by 4.00pm on Thursday 20th November 1997.

Late letter

IN answer to the question posed by Mr Robin Pitaluga with regard to the cost of upgrading the track leading to the Argentine cemetery, I am informed by the Public Works Department that the total cost was £5,854.66 not including the additional costs of supervision or the write down of plant.

Andrew Gurr
Chief Executive

LORD Kennet recently asked Her Majesty's Government, "What are the purposes of the new facility being operated by the United States Air Force on Ascension Island and whether the United Kingdom authorities are to be given comprehensive information about the results of its operation?"

Baroness Symons of Vernham Dean replied, "The new radar site on Ascension Island is undertaking an investigation into the distortion of very high frequency/ultra high frequency signals as they travel out of the atmosphere and back to earth. The US will share the results of their experiments with us if we so wish."



ON November 3, 1997, a ceremony took place on Mount William for the scattering of the ashes of the late Dr. David Lawrence Niddie (ex Royal Navy WWII) who died in Gainesville, Florida last August, and lived in the Islands after the war. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. David Osborn from MPA, and was attended by additional British Forces Falkland Islands personnel.

Report on press conference with six visiting MPs

Continued from front page
The six MPs agreed that any preconceptions they had about the Islands prior to their arrival had been shattered by what they have seen and heard. Frank Doran said he had come to study how Islanders are approaching possible oil development, and described how he was, "impressed by my ignorance." He was, he said, "amazed at the size of the land mass here," and had experienced, "a re-emphasis of the emotional ties the Islanders have with their homeland."

Jim Paice commented on his pleasure at how readily Falklands people are to, "take on the challenges of the future, and that they are determined to be responsible for their own future."

One of the party, Colin Reid, said he found the situation was, "far more complex in a number of areas, economically," than he had thought. He had been struck he

said by how Defence, and the presence of the military, "pervades the Islands."

It was Defence, too, that had interested Labour's Sid Rapson. (He sits on the Defence Committee). "Having been here," he said, "I can see that the cost of Defence is irrelevant because it would be spent anyway, and our armed forces are getting excellent training...I will be going back to the Minister of Defence to tell him he should retain the level of Defence here. I shall be able to debate the Defence argument much more clearly."

Lord Northesk combined commerce with conservation in his comment that he believed, "the Falklands' approach to Fisheries Conservation arguably leads the world. That is something we can take back and broadcast more widely to the benefit of the Islands."

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Mr. Harry Burt, Managing Director of WestlandsHus UK, will be visiting the Falklands between the 22nd and 26th November. Anyone wishing to meet Harry to find out more about WestlandsHus, should contact Mrs. Jo Morrison at LMW (BM) Ltd. on 22640 to make an appointment. WestlandsHus are manufacturers of luxury, made-to-measure houses at the top end of the housing market.

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Stanley take Sullivan Shield

FOOTBALL, as television soccer guru, Jimmy Greaves, would say, is a funny old game, but for three Stanley five a side teams who this weekend visited MPA for the second leg of a Challenge Shield tournament, having notched up a massive lead at home in the first leg, coming away with anything less than a win would have been a tragedy, and, worse, a travesty indeed.

Sponsored by Sullivan Shipping Services Limited, the format for the tournament differed from normal competitions in that all the goals scored by the teams (three from Stanley, three from MPA) were added together to give a final grand total.

In the first round, in Stanley, MPA were let down by a few key players who failed to turn up, and consequently found the going difficult as the three Stanley teams played at breakneck pace and rattled in a total of 74 goals against MPA's 45.

Later the teams and officials enjoyed the hospitality of the Globe Tavern, though unfortunately, due to antiquated licencing laws, the more junior members of the team were unable to chat to their erstwhile opponents over a coke or two. And there is no denying this was a shame because it is this after-match process that allows the heat of a tough sporting event to dissipate into friendly rivalry as games are re-lived and analysed.

The tables, to a limited extent, were reversed on Sunday, November 9, as a somewhat depleted Stanley team travelled up to MPA for the second and final leg. Because of last minute withdrawals it was necessary for team organiser, Gary Clement, to draft several young, up and coming players (Ian Jordan and Alan Bonner)

into the squad.

The Stanley team, however, refused to allow these enforced changes to influence their game and defended their first leg lead with such dogged determination that after nine matches (all of which were much closer affairs than those of the first leg) they had scored a further 16 goals to MPA's 10.

The final score over both legs was 90 - 55 in Stanley's favour, a pleasing result as they had taken both the home and away legs.

Speaking after the competition Gary Clement wanted to express his gratitude to the sponsors (Sullivan Shipping Services Limited) and the Physical Training staff at MPA for helping to organise the event and providing a Gurkha curry after it.

The Stanley Teams

Stanley 'A' Team:

Capt. Paul Riddell
G/K Alan Bonner
Claudio Ross
Migs Cofre
Colin Buckland
Tom Chater

Stanley 'B' Team:

Capt. Dale McCormick
G/K Ian Jordan
Luke Clarke
Doug Clark
Jeremy 'Spurs' Henry
Simon Goodwin

Stanley 'C' Team:

Capt. Bill Chater
G/K Chris Gilbert
Wayne Clement
Javio Lazo
Pete White
Ian Betts

Article co-written by Gary Clement



Above: Stanley 'C' in action with Bill Chater tussling for the ball

Right: Jeremy 'Spurs' Henry of Stanley 'B' moves in



MPA Results

Stanley A	2	MPA A	5
Stanley B	2	MPA B	0
Stanley C	0	MPA C	0
Stanley A	3	MPA B	1
Stanley B	2	MPA C	1
Stanley C	0	MPA A	2
Stanley A	1	MPA C	0
Stanley B	3	MPA A	0
Stanley C	3	MPA B	1

Leadership by Sacred Institutions not by Individuals

NOVEMBER 1 was a day to celebrate for the local Bahai Community as they marked the 25th Anniversary of the formation of their locally elected body of nine, the Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Stanley. The body is one of 17,000 such elected assemblies in the world which are authorised to administer the affairs of the Bahai communities.

The Local Bahai community, consisting of individuals with diverse personalities and life styles, but united by their common belief that all the world's major religions are from one Divine Source and that all humankind are the servants of God, joined with invited friends to celebrate 25 years of continuous, uninterrupted annual elections of a non-political nature to form this institution which is sacred to the Baha'is.

The celebration held at the Hos-

pital Day Centre included an art and craft exhibition. The displayed work which was produced by resident members of the community and accompanied by inspirational quotations from the Bahai Writings, was viewed appreciatively by those present on the occasion. The relaxed evening, which also included a delicious buffet supper, will be remembered by many as both interesting and enjoyable.

HE Governor Ralph commented to a local member of the Assembly shortly after the evening, "I was very glad to be present at such an important milestone for the people of your faith who live in the Falkland Islands."

The Baha'is themselves felt very happy and appreciative that so many of their invited friends were able to join them for this landmark occasion.

Golfing Gallagher to arrive next week

STANLEY Golf Club President, Sir Rex Hunt, together with professional golfer Bernard Gallagher will arrive next week, November 18, for a two week visit.

Sir Rex was instrumental in reviving the Golf Club's fortunes in 1983 when there were only five regular members. It is fitting that, during his visit, one of the main competitions, the President's Bowl, will be held at Goose Green on Sunday November 23. Many of the club's present membership of fifty are expected to attend.

Bernard Gallagher needs little introduction. One of the youngest ever Scottish Amateur Champions; winner of numerous European tour professional tournaments; Ryder Cup team member; twice Captain of the European Ryder Cup Team, including the victorious side which regained the Cup in 1995; he was for many years Club Professional at Wentworth Golf Club one of England's most famous and televised courses.

During his stay, Bernard

Gallagher will visit Goose Green, MPA, golf courses on the West; will teach schoolchildren in Stanley and be available for group coaching sessions and games of golf with members at Stanley Golf Club, including a golf competition the afternoon of November 22. Members should consult the club notice board for the full itinerary and contact Mike Summers for further information of coaching, playing and social arrangements.

The club is indebted to The Shackleton Fund for their support in helping to improve the standard of golf throughout the Falklands and encourage young persons to take up the game.

This weekend, to ensure the complete success of the next fortnight, members are requested to assemble at the Clubhouse on both Saturday at 1pm and Sunday at 9am to help with Clubhouse painting and essential course maintenance.

Report: F Jackson

APPLICATIONS are invited to fill the newly created post of Maintenance Engineer in the Property and Municipal Section of the Public Works Department.

The successful candidate will be responsible to the Deputy Director of Public works for the establishment, development and management of effective fully planned maintenance systems for all Government buildings.

The post requires an experienced person with broad technical knowledge. Minimum qualifications are a Higher BTEC or HND in Building Technology or equivalent and five years experience of preplanned maintenance. A good working knowledge of planned maintenance software is essential and candidates must hold a current driving licence.

Salary ranges from £16,812 to £25,212 per annum in Grade D depending on qualifications and experience.

Further details of the post can be obtained from the Deputy Director of Public Works on telephone number 27193. Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department, Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to the Chairman Senior Appointments Board, Secretariat by 4.00pm on Friday 28th November 1997.

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75 Christmas lambs available from mid November. Further details phone/fax 42001

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Freehold property for sale - Excellent central location in Stanley Partly furnished, single storey dwelling consisting of kitchen, living room, two bedrooms, bathroom, hall and two entrance lobbies, separate garage, peatshed and storage shed. Situated on approximately one eighth of an acre of land. For details and arrangements to view contact June Wade Tel 21080. **NO TIME WASTERS PLEASE.** Tenders in writing to Mrs J Wade 41 Fitzroy Road, Stanley, not later than 30th November 1997. The tenderer is not bound to accept any offer

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4 bedroomed bungalow at 11 Ian Campbell Drive, Stanley. The property has a large lounge with a front porch leading to a balcony via a patio door. Fully fitted kitchen which has completely tiled walls, fully fitted bathroom with completely tiled walls and electric shower. Spacious master bedroom with fitted wardrobes (bedroom 1) small spare room with a built in sauna (bedroom 4) the second bedroom is also spacious with a fitted wardrobe with the third bedroom adjoining. The property has an oil fired central heating system, also it is fully fenced and has a pathway to the front gate - to the rear there is a portacabin unit. The property is available with or without furniture and fixtures. Tenders in writing to Mr & Mrs M W Collier PO Box 32 Stanley or view by appointment only on 21642. The tenderers do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any tender.

Fresh hen and duck eggs £1.50 per dozen. Phone Diana on 32244

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NOTICES

DOMESTIC WASTE CONTENTS SURVEY

As you may know from the questionnaire which was recently sent out seeking your views on waste disposal, the Falkland Islands Government is trying to improve how waste is disposed of in the Islands. As part of this process, the amount of household waste which could be composted and possibly used as fertilizer or a soil improver needs to be calculated. Analysis of one typical weeks waste is to be done of refuse collected by Bonners Haulage during the period 16 to 22 of November. A refuse bag marked with white crosses will be supplied to you on or soon after Friday 14 November. This will be placed adjacent to your wheeled bin. Could you please use this bag for waste of the following types that you would have routinely placed in your bin for collection during that week. Paper, cardboard, foodscraps and garden waste such as grasscuttings. The bag should be placed by or in the top of your bin and will be collected in the normal manner. Thank you for your assistance

Garage Sale at Middleton's, Dolphin Cottage (Behind racecourse Road). Household items, CD's video tapes and many other items. Saturday 15 November 2-4 pm.

FORSALE

Government House has for sale by tender one 90 TDI Defender Landrover ex GH5. This vehicle is two and a half years old and has 8000 miles on the clock. It has been regularly maintained by the FIC Garage and is in excellent condition. If you require further information or wish to view this vehicle then please contact the Management Officer at Government House on 27433 during office hours. Tenders are to be endorsed "Tender GH5 Government House" and should be submitted on or before 4.30pm on Monday 24 November 1997. Government House does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

For tender: One Portacabin situated to the right of the Racecourse committee hut. All tender, by 4.30pm Friday November 21, to be sent to Jelly tots Club, PO Box 32, Stanley. Enquiries to S Collier on 21642 or D McGill 21113

PERSONAL



To Angie - Happy 21st for today, love Mum Dad Ali and Nan

To Alan W.
Great to see you again, don't leave it so long next time Andy Lynn Nigel Alison and Carol

I would like to thank Dr Richard Davis, Sister Jane Cotter, F11 J1 Phil Hoole and the helicopter crew and Dr (sorry lads I don't know your names) who came to my help in the early hours of Monday 10th, when Keith was taken ill. Lastly, but by no means least a big thank you to Nick, Annie and Rob who came to my help very quickly. I am very grateful to you all from Avril Bonner, Salvador

Lorna, Anne & Roger Howells would like to thank Wing Commander Watkins, Wing Commander McGuire, Dr Diggle and Jane Cotter for the safe arrival of Nathaniel James on Monday 3rd November. Thank you also to all the ward staff for looking after Lorna and Nathaniel so well. Lorna also wishes to thank everyone who sent cards and presents. They were all gratefully received.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those who gave presents and gifts, and to everyone who attended the wedding and reception, making our day most memorable. We would like to say a special thank you to: - Keith, Basil, Dot, April, Kelly, Maria, Enid, Les, Pauline, Erroll, Cheryllyn, Jonathon, Nick, Jenny, Vi and also to Baz for making the long journey down.
Guido and Loretta

School Holidays begin on Tuesday December 9th.
I am offering for children up to the age of 10, a child minding service with various supervised activities. ie - organised sport - swimming - visits to the park and Surf Bay Numbers are limited. Phone 21851 for details

VACANCIES

Byron Marine Limited have vacancies for their vessels for the following staff. One Engine Room / General Purpose Rating, Ordinary Seaman, and One Junior Catering Rating. Each of the above vacancies will require the successful applicants to commence work in January 1998. For further details, please contact our office on Tel 22245 during office hours

Eurofishing Ltd, will have a vacancy in the new year, for a Fish Processor/General Hand.

Duties will include: fish and squid processing, general repairs and maintenance to plant and equipment. Work on the inshore fishing vessel Laura Jay, and assisting company agents when required

A valid driving licence is essential to this post

The ability to speak Spanish would be a distinct advantage. Enquiries to Melanie Clausen - Agency Manager on 22275 during normal working hours

LMW(BM) Ltd, currently has a vacancy for an office administrator, with the post being either part or full time depending on the abilities of the successful applicant. Applicants will require to be computer literate and have a working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel and Access, have a working knowledge of basic accounting theory, and be capable of working with minimal supervision. For further information contact Hamish on 22640

WANTED

EVIE & JIM ELLIOTT are looking for a furnished house/flat to rent for about 6 weeks from 28 Dec 97. Please contact Anya on 21857

Wanted to Purchase: A Hunting Rifle 308 or 223 or one of a similar size.

Anyone having one for sale please contact Falkland Supplies. Fax/Phone 21297

Falklands Landholdings Ltd are looking for a cash register for one of their farm shops. If anyone has a spare one they would be prepared to sell please contact Dwenda Newman at Landholdings Office on 22697/98

CRICKET practice next week - anyone interested??? Tues 18 November 6pm - 8pm
Wed 19 Nov 6pm - 8pm
At the edge of the Football Pitch
Possible match being arranged at MPA on Sunday 23 November
Information from Andy Davis Tel: 27169 (Dental Surgery)

FIDF Christmas Party, Friday 5 December 1997
Tickets at £10 each can be purchased from the FIDF Office before Monday 24 November 1997

Toshi and Zuni: Congratulations on the birth of your baby girl, Yukari, on Oct 30. See you in Jan. From Andrea, Gus and all at Byron SWA Ltd.

Postscript - From the Baha'is

For many people, the question, "Is there a God or not?" has never been resolved. They wouldn't say God exists, but they wouldn't say He doesn't either. Is it enough to leave it at that? It depends on how one answers the question, "Does life have a purpose?" Have we been born into this world, with all our qualities, by sheer accident? If such thoughts make us wonder, it is comforting to know that God Himself spurs us to investigate. Speaking through Jesus, He told us to seek, and we would find; ask, and it would be given to us; knock, and the door would be opened. And through Baha'u'llah He has assured us, "...no man that seeketh Us will We ever disappoint..."

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RELATIVES of Argentine soldiers who died in the Falklands in 1982 arrived at Mount Pleasant Airport at 4.15pm on Wednesday November 19, having made the journey from the Jorge Newbery Airport in Comodoro Rivadavia in a tiny Fairchild SA227 aircraft.

The party of fifteen were accompanied by catholic priest, Gabriel Zapata, and met by Maria Strange and Joanne Lawrence representing the Government, and Government House, and Captain Gemma Hardy representing the British Forces.

Having passed through Customs, the relatives spoke to members of the Falkland Islands media, plus Elisabetta Pique from *La Nacion*, Nicholas Tozer from *The Buenos Aires Herald* and an Argentine film crew, all visiting for that purpose.

The party were then transported to Darwin, where they spent the night in the Lodge, and visited the Argentine cemetery.

The next-of-kin attended a mass at the cemetery the following morning before being taken back to MPA.

The visit followed the same pattern as previous visits, and individuals in the quietly emotional group on Wednesday expressed to



Jo Lawrence and Maria Strange greet group leader, Abd Dalal de Massad

Argentine next-of-kin visit Darwin graves

the media their happiness at being able to visit the graves of their loved ones.

Anna McGrath, who lost her husband, an army aviation officer, in 1982, commented that it was the first time she had been able to visit. She replied, when asked if some of

the relatives would be happier if the bodies of the soldiers were returned to Argentina, "No, this is where they died so they should stay," adding, "they should also stay in consideration of the relatives of those Argentines who were never found, and cannot be taken away."

Three months for man caught with cannabis

A SUSSEX man appeared in Stanley Magistrates Court, this week, for sentencing after pleading guilty in the same court on November 6 to one charge involving illegal possession of a controlled substance, and a second charge of making an untrue statement to a customs official.

Senior Crown Counsel, Mr Robert Titterton, told the court that Rupert Herrington Payne, a painter and decorator sub-contracted to work on the Government House refurbishment programme was stopped by Customs at Mount

Pleasant Airport after arriving from the United Kingdom on October 21 this year.

When the customs officer put it to him that he had in his possession a controlled substance Mr Payne produced a small package wrapped in cellophane and sealed with black insulating tape. Asked what it was he responded, "cannabis".

He was then asked if he had any other controlled substances in his possession and replied that he had not.

It was this statement that led to

the second charge of making an untrue statement to a customs official when 19 tablets of a substance called physeptone (methodone) were later found in his luggage.

Mr Payne was cautioned, arrested and taken to Stanley police station where he was questioned. He admitted the package he had yielded to customs contained two blocks of cannabis resin, one weighing 51 grams, the other 71 grams, facts confirmed by tests carried out by police involving reagent chemicals.

He claimed the cannabis was for his own personal use during his stay in the Islands, which was originally intended to be until December 17 but delays in completing the contract on Government House had extended this to around mid-February. A statement from the foreman of the contracting company, Orostream Limited, had been received confirming this.

The cannabis, he said, had been purchased from a man at London Bridge Station just prior to his departure from UK. **Cont. page 3**

Hew Pike new star

LIEUTENANT General Sir Hew Pike, who led the men of the 3rd Battalion, the Parachute Regiment during the battle for Mount Longdon in 1982, is soon to take over as Director of Operations for NATO in Bosnia. Reporting for *Mercopress*, Graham Bound, said that, "Insiders are suggesting that the military man who made his name in the Falklands can expect to enjoy even more senior postings when his NATO command in Bosnia is over. He may even take on the most senior post in the British Army, Chief of General Staff... Most officers who have taken on the top job have had some experience of combat, even if only on Britain's back-yard Northern Ireland. However General Pike, the Army's rising star, would be the first Falklands' veteran to take on the most important and influential role in the British Army."

CAPED bus question

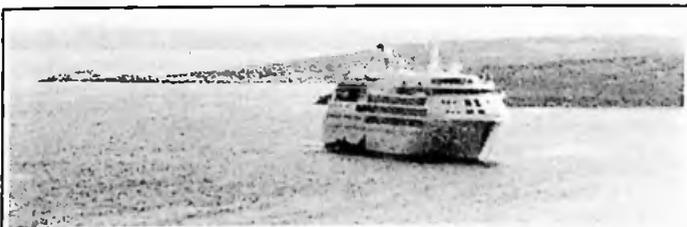
COUNCILLOR John Birmingham in a question for written answer, recently asked the Chief Executive, "why, ten months after the incident which damaged the CAPED Bus, it is still not on the road?" And, "could he give me a breakdown of the repairs required and the estimated cost, and can he advise me of who will be footing the bill?"

In answer, the Chief Executive explained that the relevant parts for the bus had now arrived and the FIC would shortly be in a position to repair the vehicle, although at the moment they were unable to give a completion date due to heavy work commitments.

The estimated cost including spares and labour would be between £1,700 and £2000 and would be funded by the Medical Department following a decision by the Health and Medical services Committee.

Endurance calls in

HMS *Endurance* which recently spent five days in Buenos Aires (17-21 November), where she was welcomed by a delegation of Argentine officials is due to arrive in the Islands next week. Members of the *Endurance* crew will play in a traditional 'shield match' against a Stanley team on Thursday, November 27.



THE arrival of the hefty luxury passenger liner MV Silver Cloud in Stanley on Thursday, November 21 confirmed the opening of the tourist season in the Falklands. The Bahamian registered vessel carries 265 passengers and 214 crew and weighs in at 16,927 gross tonnes.

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WHILE I have never had any great urge to seek out the 'future fifteen minutes of world fame' promised to us all by artist Andy Warhol, or even consciously craved any other well known or wannabe status (apart from a brief phase in the eighties comprising dreams of meeting and marrying Mark Knopfler) I have recently developed a sneaking envy of a number of celebrities, for no other reason than their 'fame' has offered them the opportunity of appearing on that spleen venting television programme Room 101. For those not in the know, Room 101 includes a celebrity describing a number of pet hates (Eurovision Song Contest, spinach, lawyers etc. etc.) while the host allows the very worst of these to be ceremoniously dumped into said room.

Bearing in mind reality, however, (a difficulty in this business, I am too regularly informed) and being aware that a personal audience with Nick Hancock is probably little more than a pipe dream, I am prompted to purge *Penguin News* pet hates, from this more modest platform. To begin with those five words guaranteed to produce a mass response not dissimilar to that caused by the sound of nails on a chalk board, I refer of course to readers letters which open, "To whom it may concern," and then proceed to deny a gem of circulating gossip. Why, I feel obliged to ask, is it not obvious that such letters do little more than wrongly reinforce in the mind of those perpetuating the gossip that the subject in question is their concern, and that their opinions on the subject are of some value? While I have enormous sympathy for those victims of the 'bored and bitching', in my humble opinion letters such as these only add to speculation.

On some relatively lighter notes, but of no less irritation to members of this office, I present to readers further *Penguin News* offerings for Room 101:

Lying computer software: programmes which claim 'you have committed an illegal error' (and shut down) when you know very well you've done no such thing.

Office stress: The smell of sewage which permeates through the *Penguin News* office - the black bits which regularly emerge from the taps, and the constant worry that the two may be in some way connected.

Uncooperative camera equipment: The sudden realisation that your film is about to rewind during the minute silence, or the solo song of the nervous six year old in the school play.

Being wrong: Waking at 2am on Friday morning utterly convinced that the sweeping and inflammatory statement made in the editorial was entirely unjustified... and it's too late to change it.

Being boring: Sweating over a difficult article whilst being aware that the subject is so uninteresting that few will bother reading it anyway.

Being bored: Being later forced to listen to the opinion of the only person who read the article, missed the point, but noted every spelling or error of grammar.

'Press releases': Advertisements optimistically labelled 'press release' in the hope they will be included for free.

Penguin News dependability: the knowledge that we, without exception, will manage to make a mistake in every letter ever sent to *Penguin News* by Eric Goss.

Advice: Being informed that we should report with greater accuracy... have you ever read the Sun? Compare and be thankful.

There are of course, many more gripes about which I could bang on infinitely, but I cannot write on the subject of pet hates, without referring to the misery that is public meetings. While I am, of course, aware that these honourable gatherings have a great many uses, and should never cease to be, it doesn't excuse the fact that they are often direly abused. There are a number of scenarios which characterise a public meeting, but the two which stand out comprise: that where time allotted is taken up, not by constructive discussion, but by a few individuals ranting aggressively and giving all the appearance of being deaf (when responses are offered); or the other, generally referred to in this office as the 'patient/psychologist' meeting.

This latter type undoubtedly characterised the gathering to discuss immigration last week, where (judging from what might be described as an atmosphere of apathy, and the lack of opinions on offer regarding 'trickle or strategy immigration') the audience seemed to have attended in the hope of hearing answers, while councillors went in the hope of inviting answers, or at the very least, views, from the audience. After a fairly inconclusive hour (only enlivened by a spontaneous straw poll on whether the visit of di Tella should be allowed) it is probably safe to say that on this particular subject there will need be a great many more sessions on the couch, before even a sign of progress. It may also be worth noting that that same progress will probably only occur at the same pace it takes us to realise that answer to problems such as these, must come as much from ourselves as our representatives.

Your letters

Hasta la vista from Jaime

I AM writing to say good bye to all the people that I have met in Stanley, out in Camp and at MPA in four years I have lived here and will shortly leave behind.

The four years have been enjoyable and I will always remember my friends, colleagues and students at FICS.

I have learned a lot about the Falklands, its people and its culture. It has been an enriching experience where I have seen both the good and the bad things about the place, where I have shared so many different happy and not so happy moments with so many different people. Above all I will always remember the social life, the local pubs and their unique atmosphere which can be different every weekend and the dances at the Town Hall, FIDF and the Trough.

I am taking back with me lots of memories that have become a very important part of my life. I will never forget working for the first time on the radio with Camp Ed, teachers and then on the phone with Camp children. This is something I had never done before. I have had the opportunity to interpret for a fishing vessel in trouble, a Russian TV crew which had a Chilean interpreter because they could hardly speak English, for KEMH doctors two years ago just

after I had been for an appointment, the Chamber of Commerce, translating for the Philatelic Bureau and Government House. Many things that came on at the spur of the moment, such as being in charge of the make up for school, and a couple of FIODA productions and The May Ball.

I do hope that you have appreciated my efforts in the same way. I have appreciated my Falkland Islands experience. Finally, may I just take the opportunity to leave a message to my students at FICS: "To you all,

make the most of your school years, take every opportunity to learn something new because it is never too late to discover new things, appreciate the wonderful buildings and facilities you have and the teachers who have so much to offer you. Don't take it for granted. Don't waste your time, use it. Try to be better people and remember that knowledge is the only thing that you can carry everywhere and doesn't weigh anything or take any room. The future of the Falklands is in your hands.

Goodbye to all and I hope we can meet again!"

Jaime Correa
Spanish Teacher

Mr di Tella's off to Cloud-cuckoo-land again

I REFER to your front page piece on 14 November about Mr di Tella. Some time ago I described him as living in "cloud-cuckoo-land."

If he thinks this Legislative Council is going to permit him to enter the Falkland Islands he must still be there. Maybe they have even given him a passport!

P.S. Last time the Argentine press had difficulty translating "cloud-cuckoo-land". For their benefit, Roget uses expressions such as fantasist; dream-world; myth-maker; hallucination; bizarre; pipe-dream etc. etc. All of these seem appropriate.

Bill Luxton
Chartres

Public Notice:

Vacancies Public Works Department
Applications are invited to fill the following vacancies in the Public Works Department:

Filtration Plant Operator, Water Section - Salary ranges from £12,384 to £14,556 per annum in Grade F. For further details about the post contact the Water Supervisor, Mr Rod Tuckwood on telephone number 27446 during normal working hours.

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Foreman, Property & Municipal section - Salary ranges from £13,560 to £16,596 per annum in Grade E. For further details about the post contact the Works Manager, Mr Willie Bowles on telephone number 27193 during normal working hours.

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Application forms and a job description for all the above posts are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4pm on Wednesday 3rd December

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Enquiries made of the UK Customs National Coordination Unit had shown, Mr Titterington said, that cannabis now had a street value of £4.07 per gram, making the total value of the amount in Mr Payne's possession around £500.

The physyptone tablets, Mr Payne told police, had been prescribed by a doctor in England as part of a drug rehabilitation programme he had been participating in. Further enquiries confirmed this to be true.

Mr Titterington went on to say that the claim by Mr Payne that the cannabis had been for his own use was, "probably believable." Figures obtained from the UK on daily consumption of the average user would indicate the amount in Mr Payne's possession was compatible with the time scale of his stay assuming, Mr Titterington said, "habitual daily usage."

Mr Titterington explained the normal method is to crumble a small amount of the substance into tobacco to make a 'spliff'. Approximately 125 milligrams per spliff "Five of these per day," Mr Titterington said, "is not unknown."

He said the Crown were asking for forfeiture of the drugs, under section 24 1 of the Misuse of Drugs Act, and costs of £35.

Mr Alan Barker, acting for Mr Payne, then provided the court with more detailed information on Mr Payne's background.

He had first arrived in the Islands on July 21 this year, at which time he was not carrying any drugs. He had been living with a girl for five years in private rented accommodation in Crowborough, Sussex, and had a daughter (of about eight) by a previous relationship. He helps to support the daughter, Mr Barker said, by paying voluntary maintenance of between £200 and £300 per month.

Mr Payne had been unemployed for some time and in consequence was in arrears with his rent and also had unpaid bills from British Telecom for which he was being pressed. It was for these rea-

sons, Mr Barker explained, that Mr Payne had accepted work in the Falklands and had been receiving a gross wage of £3,000 per month.

Mr Payne's involvement with prescribed opiate drugs stemmed, said Mr Barker, from a time seven years ago when he had undergone surgical treatment at Guy's Hospital to correct a congenital defect of his rib cage, DF118, a pain killer had been prescribed and Mr Payne had become addicted, and moved on to other drugs including heroin.

Realising he was in a mess he voluntarily entered a drug rehabilitation programme several years ago. Methodome had been prescribed in reducing quantities to help "wean him off hard drugs." This was why, Mr Barker said, Mr Payne had been carrying the 19 tablets of physyptone.

The rehabilitation programme has included counselling sessions and Mr Payne has been off hard drugs for twelve months. He had, however, got into the habit of smoking some 'reefers' at the end of each day, "to aid relaxation," but had vehemently and repeatedly denied that he had ever been a supplier of drugs. Had MR Payne been in the UK, Mr Barker said, he would only have been in possession of enough cannabis to satisfy his own immediate needs.

Mr Barker pointed out that Mr Payne had readily admitted possession of the drug and had been as helpful as possible during the investigation. The amount of cannabis he had was consistent with the amount required to support his habit over the period of the contract in the Islands and also did not have any of the materials he would have needed if he had intended to sub-divide it.

He said Mr Payne realised the seriousness of the offence and that it carried a heavy penalty. He also realised that it was inexcusable and wished to apologise to the court for his actions.

It was, said Mr Barker, "a victimless crime," because, though what Mr Payne had done was illegal there had been no risk to any-

one as there might have been had he been recklessly driving a vehicle. He, Mr Payne, had already suffered in that the acute anxiety he had experienced since being arrested had caused Orostream Limited to dispense with his services.

He said Mr Payne had no assets in the UK but that a cheque from Orostream (amounting to £6,000) for work already completed was currently lodged with Standard Chartered Bank awaiting clearance.

In the circumstances, Mr Barker suggested, the court might conclude that justice might best be served by imposing a non-custodial sentence as the alternative could affect Mr Payne's ability to

continue maintaining his daughter and might also mean the loss of his flat in Sussex.

He said Mr Payne did not intend to mislead customs over his possession of the 19 tablets of physyptone but at the time was badly shaken, frightened and confused. He thought the question applied only to illegal drugs and it did not occur to him that prescribed drugs would be included.

Sentencing Mr Payne to three months imprisonment suspended for twelve months on the charge of possession, and fining him £100 on the second charge, Senior Magistrate, Mr David Jeremiah, said that though opinions differ about the use of cannabis the court could only take the view that it is illegal.

Governor opens Seamen's Centre

THE new Seamen's Centre building on the FIPASS road in Stanley was officially declared open by His Excellency, the Governor, at a celebration ceremony on Thursday, November 13.

Speaking to the invited guests, who included Paul Jarrett, the National Secretary of the Royal Na-

the Falkland Islanders' approach to getting things done" that the project had not simply been left to government but that "an enormous number of people from Stanley, the Camp and the Forces" had made significant contribution "in one way or another" to the project.

He singled out Kirsten and



Mike Hughes makes his speech at the opening ceremony. Carol Stewart-Reid records for FIBS as HE the Governor and Paul Jarrett look on

tional Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen, the Governor made mention of the contribution made by generations of seamen to the development of the Falkland Islands.

"We of the Falkland Islands," he said, "owe a vast amount to the men of the sea both for our transport links and for the revenue from fishing which has brought so much prosperity to the Falkland Islands."

He went on to say it was, "fitting and right," that we should give something back in the form of the "rather splendid" Seamen's Centre. "It was consistent," he said, "with

Mike Hughes for particular praise. "This," he said, "would not have happened without them." He paid tribute to their "vision, their commitment, their spirit, their determination, their persistence in making this wonderful enterprise come to fruition."

Visitors to the Centre can read local, British or foreign newspapers, books or periodicals over coffee, enjoy home cooked meals, or play pool. There are washrooms, television and video, a music centre and a payphone in the privacy of the rear hall.

Mini Ads

We are looking for volunteers to help with a children's holiday scheme during the summer months. For more information contact Marilyn or Sharon - Tel: 27296

Swimming Gala
Stanley Swimming Pool will be closed for a swimming gala until 2pm on Saturday, November 29.

Moto Cross This Weekend
This Sunday, November 23, is the second round of the 1997/98 Moto Cross Championship. The venue is Keith Grimmer's land just off the MPA road. Practice starts at 10am, racing at 11am. Come and see the thrills and spills of the Falklands' craziest people!

THE Globe Tavern gets a new lid as part of a continuing programme of improvements. New licensees, Julie Clarke and Carmen Miranda, have already installed a new juke box introduced Sunday breakfasts

Further improvements will include a beer garden, internal alterations making the present two bars into one big one, and bench seating along the front wall to facilitate alfresco meals in warm weather.





Penguin Profile: 6

from the Environmental Research Unit, PO Box 434

THE name 'El Niño' means 'The Boy' and was so named after Jesus Christ because it refers to changes in oceanic currents and weather patterns across South America that usually reach their peak around Christmas time. Such events only occur every few years, every seven years is often stated but in fact their occurrence is variable both in timing and severity.

During *El Niño*, cool nutrient rich waters that flow northwards up the Pacific coasts of Chile and Peru become displaced by warmer, nutrient-poor waters flowing from the central Pacific. This drop in nutrient levels results in poor growth of single cell plants, called *phytoplankton*, which are the grasslands of the ocean.

This, in turn, results in food shortages throughout the oceanic food chain. Species higher up the food chain, such as fish and squid, not only reduce in numbers, but also become dispersed over much wider areas, making them harder

to catch by commercial fisheries and seabirds alike.

Penguins are particularly affected by *El Niño*, especially along the Pacific coasts of Chile and Peru where fish are forced to migrate further offshore in search of cooler currents.

Galapagos penguins are so severely affected by food shortages during *El Niño* that they have become adapted to its cycles, and cease breeding entirely when water temperatures exceed twenty four degrees Celsius.

The effects of *El Niño* are widespread, disrupting weather patterns across South America and the Caribbean, and altering food chains around the Pacific and Atlantic coasts of South America, including the Falkland Islands. *El Niño* is the reverse of *El Niño*.

And now a question: In what year did around 40,000 penguins die from oil pollution along the coast of Argentina? Answer in *Penguin Profile: 7*

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The Internet - Part 4 of 4 By Nikki Buxton



The Internet doesn't byte!

Internet facts:

1. In Britain in 1996, over 250,000 people were connected to the Internet from their home computers, with this number rising daily. This doesn't include all of the businesses, academic institutions, etc. which are also connected.
2. The Internet started in the United States and is still dominated by it. Around two thirds of the host computers are based there, with the rest scattered throughout the world. There are currently over 5 million host computers providing services to the Internet.
3. Over 100 countries are fully linked to the Internet, and most have electronic mail links to it.
4. Research scientists in the Antarctic keep in touch with their colleagues at home through the Internet. They also post regular reports of their work for anyone to read.
5. There are currently over 40 million people around the world who are linked to the Internet.
6. E-mail is cheaper and faster than the post or a fax. A full page email message takes less than a minute to send, and with the Cable and Wireless charge of 10 pence a minute, this is a very cheap way to send mail!
7. There are Internet cafes springing up all over the world - you can sit in these cafes, sipping a drink, and connect to anywhere in the world from the computer terminals. The charges are slightly more than the base rate, but still very reasonable. Who knows, there may even be an Internet cafe in the Falklands one day soon.....

Stanley-CSM - a fairy tale, but no open cheque-book

AFTER years of talk and conjecture the actualities of oil exploration are about to become reality for the Islands now that the contract to supply the back-up logistic services to the oil companies has been awarded to Stanley CSM Limited.

Stanley CSM Limited is a hybrid company, registered in the Falklands, and a marriage, according to Stanley Services Limited Managing Director, Mike Burrett, of local infrastructure, knowledge and contacts from SSL, and technical and management expertise contributed by CSM.

CSM (Consolidated Supply Management) began trading in June 1995 as an independent management company providing "materials and logistics services to the international oil and gas industry." Their CV is impressive and includes projects in Latin America, North America, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan (formerly part of the Soviet Union), and North Africa and such is their success in these areas they now employ around 300 personnel.

Currently in the Falklands (he spends up to sixteen weeks in the Islands each year) Mike Burrett talked at length to *Penguin News* about the new company, what the winning of the contract means to Stanley CSM, what it means to other service providing companies and entrepreneurs in the Islands, and the impact it is likely to have on Stanley.

First he explained how the two separate companies, SSL and CSM, came to form the new partnership.

"We (Stanley Services) realised very early on in the path to securing the contract that we would not be able, as a company, to offer the oil companies full management of their logistic requirements. What we had then would have put us only in the second or even third level of suppliers. We talked with other suppliers, including CSM, and discovered they had been to the Islands on two extended visits and were seeking to tie in with a local company."

There was a certain inevitability to what followed as further contact showed the profiles of the two companies dovetailed in almost perfect compatibility. It was, says Mike Burrett, "a fairy tale relationship." A relationship which ultimately won them the contract in the face of strong opposition from local, UK, and even Argentine, based competition.

Winning the contract is, however, the thinnest part of the wedge. "Stanley-CSM will be providing all onshore logistics support for the oil industry in the Falklands," Mike said. "That means we will be responsible for all shipping move-

ments, turning vessels - both overseas freight vessels and oil rig supply vessels - round within given time frames, storing freight, getting it on to supply boats, receiving freight from supply boats, etc."

With all this the company, Mike points out, does not intend to do everything themselves. Subcontracting necessary services is obviously going to play a big part in successfully meeting the terms of the contract as far as Mike and his company are concerned. "Our philosophy," he said, "is to utilise existing infrastructure where possible." In commercial terms this means local people will be invited to talk to the company about specific services and/or materials they may be able to supply. These range from supplying stevedoring facilities to rubbish handling to providing office and residential accommodation.

Mike is keen to see new entrepreneurs coming forward. "There are opportunities for people with limited resources to become involved," he says, "or for new additions to current businesses requiring limited outlay." Examples include the ongoing necessity for the testing of slings and lifting equipment, and, of course, transport.

He anticipates having to use the Stanley-CSM expertise to, "support many of these local service providers during the initial transitional phase as they change from how they work now to how they will have to work to satisfy the needs of the oil companies."

In spite of the overall 'bullish' mood Mike refuses to go over the top. "This is not an 'open-cheque book' situation," he told us. "We are contractually bound to deliver services at a certain price so local companies must retain a sense of realism. Though we would always prefer to place work with local contractors, if bids are too high we are prepared to bring in outside people."

He also advises people to exercise caution before investing vast amounts of money in plant and equipment. "We have to keep a sense of perspective and not forget that the exploration phase has a limited life." This philosophy of care is reflected in Stanley Services own preparations. "Everything we do will be a cost-effective foundation for moving on. Like everyone else," he says, "we would be foolish to rush in with wholesale investment."

In spite of this stated ethos Stanley Services have invested in excess of £6 million into the infrastructure of the Islands and are currently in the process of carrying out a further £2.6 million ex-

penditure programme.

Though Stanley-CSM is owned by the two companies (51% by Stanley Services Limited, 49% by CSM) there will be a completely new management structure installed to run the new joint company. "It will be essentially an operational set up," Mike said, "so we will be bringing in an Operational Superintendent, someone with sound experience of the industry."

There may also be possibilities for locals to be employed in administrative and secretarial roles.

With an operational start date pencilled in for early March 1998 Mike is already preparing the ground for serious talks with local provider companies. He will then be expecting to receive written proposals.

Just how well local companies and Stanley Services themselves will do from the exploration phase of the Falklands' oil industry will be revealed over the next eighteen months or so, but for the moment



SSL MD, Michael Burrett

Mike is understandably proud of his company's achievement in securing the overall contract. "We," he said, "as a company, are very pleased about being able to assist in bringing business to the Islands."

Falkland Islands Offshore Oil Exploration November/December 1997 Newsletter

Falklands Offshore Sharing Agreement (FOSA) Supply contract

Stanley-CSM, a joint venture company registered in the Falklands between Stanley Services and CSM, an Aberdeen company specialising in the oil logistics industry, has been appointed by LASMO on behalf of FOSA to provide onshore logistical support from the Islands for the forthcoming oil exploration activity.

The company expects to employ up to 12 staff to carry out the logistics work. Office staff will be required as well as people to move equipment from storage areas to the supply boats. Stanley-CSM plan to engage local companies wherever possible to provide haulage and stevedoring services.

Environmental Matters Environmental Impact Statements - Exploration Drilling in Tranches A, B, C, D and F.

Shell Exploration and Production South West Atlantic BV, Amerada Hess (Falkland Islands) Limited, LASMO International Limited and IPC Falklands Limited have submitted to the Governor an environmental impact assessment entitled "Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Exploration Drilling Operations Offshore the Falkland Islands."

The Governor has decided pursuant to section 66(2) of the Offshore Minerals Ordinance 1994 to publish this in the Gazette. The Governor invites any person who wishes to do so within 42 days of the date of this Gazette, to make written representations to him in

relation to the contents of the document and as to the applicants intentions stated therein as to the protection of the environment. Any written representations sent should be addressed and sent to the Governor care of the Director of Oil, Department of Oil, Ross Road, Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Interested persons should note that the Governor will be sending a copy of any written representations he receives to the oil companies who submitted the environmental impact assessment. The oil companies may make written representations in reply to the Governor within 28 days thereafter.

The Governor will not grant consent to the exploratory drilling works until after consideration by the Executive Council of -

1. any written representations received as a result of this notice; and

2. any written representations made by the oil companies in reply.

If you would like to receive a copy of the Gazette please contact the Department of Oil.

Environmental Forum

Dr. Alasdair McIntyre from Aberdeen University is to chair the Falkland Islands Exploration and Production Environmental Forum for the next two years. He will be chairing the next meeting of the Forum planned for Thursday 11th December. Environmental representatives from the oil companies will also travel to the islands for the meeting. The Environmental Planning Office now co-ordinates

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Stanley-CSM Ltd.

Following our recent appointment as On-shore Logistics Managers for the forthcoming oil exploration we are planning to be fully operational by 1st March 1998. We are therefore looking for local companies to work with us in this objective in the following categories :-

Service Providers

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| Plant Transportation | Crane and Plant Hire |
| Road Transport | Engineering Services |
| Stevedoring | Waste handling |
| ... etc | |

Infrastructure

- | | |
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| Office Accomodation | Warehousing |
| Living Accommodation | Open Storage Area |
| ... etc | |

Full details including specifications and indicative rates should be forwarded by 30th November 1997 to :-

Michael Burrett
Stanley CSM Ltd
c/o SSL Service Station, Airport Rd, Stanley

We are also looking for enthusiastic, committed personnel in the following categories :-

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| Operations Superintendent | Drilling Materials Supervisor |
| Secretarial | Stevedoring |
| Clerical | Radio Operators |
| Warehousing | Security |
| Crane & Plant Operators | |
| ... etc | |

Please send a cv. to Michael Burrett at the above address by 30th November. All replies received will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Cancer Awareness Week

Helping people live with cancer



Members of the Falklands Islands Branch of the Cancer Support and Awareness Trust

CANCER is an ugly word, and no amount of comestic vocabulary will ever make it otherwise, but it is not a death sentence. It no longer need be a terrifying word. It is treatable.

That is the message the Falkland Islands Branch of the Cancer Support and Awareness Trust are seeking to get across in this, Cancer Awareness Week.

Cancer can bring many different and difficult emotions and thoughts, both in the sufferer and among their families and friends. Often the first instinct is to keep the knowledge to themselves, maybe from fear of being pitied but more often, I suspect, the age-old axiom the 'if no one knows it might go away'. Of course it does not and if left the problem usually gets worse. That is where the Trust comes in, if you are ever diagnosed as having cancer, and you cannot face anyone else, call them, they are a mine of information and a tower of strength. Their qualifications have been gained in the toughest school of all - each hav-

ing been personally touched by the disease in different ways - as patient, as carer, as family, as nurse, and therein lies their strength.

Allow them to help you to let some light in on what has traditionally been a dark and fearful corner. They will tell you that more and more people are coping with, and finding life, during and after cancer.

Communication is of paramount importance. It is often difficult to confide in close family or friends if you are feeling unwell and suspect that the problem might be serious, many of us have experienced that dilemma - not because we do not want them to know but because we are afraid of hurting or worrying them. It is even worse when you eventually pluck up the courage to go to the Doctor and the diagnosis is serious. That is when you remember the motto of the Cancer Support and Awareness Trust, 'Helping people live with Cancer.'

Article: Joyce Allan

Below: The original Cancer Awareness Group: Derek Howatt, Sister Bridie, Alison Hewitt, Sherilee Collins and Theresa Lang



Living the Gambia

LIVING and working as an English teacher in an African village in her year out of study, Rachel Fowler, daughter of John and Veronica Fowler of Stanley, has been keeping her parents in touch with life in The Gambia. Having initially wrestled these letters from John and Veronica with the intention of writing a small article about Rachel, Penguin News were so intrigued by her news and anecdotes that we decided to treat readers to extracts from her letters over the next few weeks.



Rachel arrived in Africa on September 13, but did not write until September 20, delayed she explained by the fact that so much had happened to her that a mere summary of her experiences seemed woefully inadequate.

Rachel begins, *It has probably been one of the strangest weeks of my life. The shock of being here, in Africa, still hits me hard now. Take now for instance - I am sitting in the middle of the compound, it's 9 o'clock at night and I am writing by the light of the moon. There are three children nearby just sitting and watching the "Tubab" writing. They are only three of many who half an hour ago were dancing, singing and drumming in the moonlight.*

I have only just learned the names of all the 'permanent fixtures' and there are more to come back from holiday. I am living with Moses and Clarice and have definitely struck it lucky.. they are lovely. Because they are Christian, Clarice is the only wife and they have only two children. However, Moses' two older brothers have converted to Islam and have many children between them. (Rachel includes a complicated family tree of the 'Jatta' family with whom she lives, an asterisk marking a number of the names). Only those with asterisks live with us, as far as I can make out, but people appear and disappear everyday and no one seems to mind or even notice very much.

I have been named after Moses and Clarice's daughter Sibi, and it has become second nature, when asked my name to reply "N'tomu Sibi Jatta leti".

My Mandinka is slowly improving but it is not helped by the fact that M and C are not from the Mandinka but the Karaninka tribe.

I am well... but still too much in awe of everything to make much sense of it yet...

Next week: an embarrassing moment in class, and a friend's experience with a chicken!

BFBS live from December 1

BORED with watching out-of-date footie? Depressed by the thought of Christmas telly being shown two weeks after Christmas? Not to worry, BFBS aim to have live television brought to the Islands via satellite by December 1, 1997.

BFBS Station Manager, Dusty Miller, told Penguin News that the programmes would be exactly as before, but instead of being two weeks out of date would be relayed the same day as seen in Britain. "They will of course be time shifted three hours because of the time difference between the Islands and UK," he added. Dusty wished to emphasise to fans of BFBS' family style shows that although the programmes would be channelled in by satellite, no special dishes or any other equipment would need to be purchased by viewers. The material will simply come into a BFBS computer hard drive before being relayed around the Islands at the appropriate time.

He went on to explain that in the weeks leading up to the change to live television, there would be a period of "catching up" to do, due to the Islands being two weeks behind UK in terms of broadcast programmes. Because of this, some

programmes of lesser importance (soap operas, Sky News etc.) would be dropped in place of ensuring all necessary parts of such dramas as Murder One or Soldier Soldier (where a lost episode might cause confusion) were broadcast before the change over.

After December 1, when HE the Governor and CBFFI will launch live television, viewers will be treated to such things as Christmas programmes on Christmas day, three separate 'live' news broadcasts and all of the usual soaps, dramas, documentaries and gameshows. Eventually, however, said Dusty, added to the normal broadcast will be breakfast television, beginning at 7am, and hopefully a link up (beginning at the normal close down time) with the BBC's 24 hour news channel.

Changes are not only coming to television, however. The use of the satellite will also mean the facility for a second radio channel. One BFBS frequency will broadcast non stop pop music, while the other will concentrate on news, sport and Radio 4 style programmes. "Like BFBS television," said Dusty, "there will be something for everyone."

Penguin News

Information Pullout



November 22 - November 28

CHURCH SERVICES

CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY: 8am Holy Communion, 10am Family Communion (first Sunday every month - Family Service) 7pm Evening Prayer

TABERNACLE - free church

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm.
ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm Minister: Mike Mitchell more 21787

St. MARY'S

SUNDAY: 10am (MPA 6.30pm).
Week days: 9am. Sat. also 5pm

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

SUN. 8am Holy Communion; 10.30am Eucharist/Morning worship; 6.30pm Holy Mass.
MON: 6.30am Mass
WED: 7.30pm Holy communion; 8pm Bible Study Tel: 74350

BAHA' FAITH

For information on meetings please ring Tel: 21957 (evenings)

TIDES AROUND THE ISLANDS

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CLUBS AND CONTACTS

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NESS TRUST Contact Shiralee Collins, 21597, Sister Bridie 22086, Derek Howatt 21385

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Contact D. Humphreys Tel. 22028 Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm, Fridays 4-5

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Contact David McLeod Phone: 20836 (day), 20843 (home)

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	4.00 - 5.00	Adults
	10.00 - 4.00	Public
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults

Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

9.00 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 9.25 ART ATTACK
 9.45 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES
 10.15 LIVE AND KICKING
 12.25 THE LORD MAYOR'S SHOW
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Racing from Chepstow, Grand Prix Gymnastics from Birmingham, the next instalment of the Olympic Magazine series, and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
 6.25 TOP OF THE POPS
 6.55 BULLY - SURVIVAL GUIDE
 7.05 WHEEL OF FORTUNE
 7.30 DAD
 8.00 NOEL'S HOUSEPARTY
 8.50 CASUALTY Charlie finds himself compromised by consultant Jack Hathaway over the death of an elderly patient, where Hathaway allowed her to die as the prognosis was so poor. The problem is that their statements of the facts do not match, as general manager Elliot Matthews discovers. Meanwhile Kate Wilson is facing an uncertain future after being caught shoplifting, and cannot face Charlie when she is prosecuted. Even her friend, Baz, cannot get near her
 9.40 HAVE I GOT NEWS FOR YOU
 10.10 ROYAL BRITISH LEGION FESTIVAL OF REMEMBRANCE
 11.45 MATCH OF THE DAY

SUNDAY 23RD NOVEMBER

10.45 DEAR MR BARKER
 11.00 THE TREACLE PEOPLE
 11.15 BLUE PETER
 11.45 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - THE CENOTAPH
 1.10 SHORT CHANGE
 1.25 THE CHART SHOW
 2.15 BROOKSIDE Has Barry got a scheme in mind?
 3.25 THIS IS YOUR LIFE
 3.55 HOLIDAY MEMORIES
 4.25 25 YEARS OF THE TWO RONNIES
 5.10 FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP Full match coverage as Arsenal v Manchester United
 7.00 AUNTIE'S TV FAVOURITES
 7.30 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT Police drama series set in Sixties Yorkshire and starring Nick Berry. An aristocratic alcoholic causes problems for Nick - and Greengrass has grand plans for Ashfordly Hall
 9.20 MURDER ONE A prison inmate claims that Sharon Rooney confessed to the murder of Governor Van Allan
 10.45 JACK DEE'S SUNDAY SERVICE (New)
 11.10 RUGBY EXPRESS (New)
 12.05 THE MTV MUSIC AWARDS Ronan Keating hosts the annual music awards, held this year in the Ahoy Stadium, Rotterdam

MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 BOOK BOX 10.15 NUMBERTIME 10.30
 GOOD HEALTH 10.45 TOTS TV
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Rebecca surprises Toadie. Is romance on the cards for Darren and Debbie?
 2.30 NAME THAT TUNE with Jools Holland
 2.55 HOLIDAY
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 4.00 ALEXANDER THE SORCERER'S APPRENTICE
 4.15 CARTOON CRITTERS
 4.40 FUN HOUSE
 5.10 RECORD BREAKERS
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY It's been three days and Rebecca still cannot hear
 5.55 TOP GEAR
 6.25 MASTERMIND - IT STARTED NOW IT'S FINISHED
 6.55 CORONATION STREET The pressure builds on Jim
 7.45 THE BILL Last Respects: Meadows hopes a family reunion will lure a pair of thieves into the open
 8.10 THE COOK REPORT (New)
 8.35 BLOOMIN' MARVELLOUS (New) New comedy series starring Clive Mantle and Sarah Lancashire as Jack and Liz, a successful couple in their 30's who live in York and have a volatile and quirky marriage
 9.05 SOLDIER, SOLDIER The boys invent a foolproof way of making a killing in Primrose's first dog race, but end up fighting for their lives during a survival exercise
 10.00 CLIVE ANDERSON ALL TALK
 10.30 FILM '97
 11.00 CHILDREN IN NEED
 11.10 SOMETHING STRANGE
 11.35 NATIONWIDE FOOTBALL LEAGUE EXTRA

TUESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 FOURWAYS FARM 10.10 STORYTIME 10.25
 ZIG ZAG 10.45 THE SLOW NORRIS
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Anne, Ben and Billy are reconciled
 2.30 FOOD AND DRINK (New)
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: JAY'S WORLD
 4.00 DENNIS THE MENACE (New)
 4.25 IT'S A MYSTERY

4.45 BLUE PETER
 5.15 BYKER GROVE (New)
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Lachie asks Terri out
 6.00 AUNTIE'S SPORTING BLOOMERS
 6.30 EMMERDALE Paddy is offered a permanent job at the vets. Jack and Richard use up all their luck
 6.55 SCENE HERE
 7.25 EASTENDERS Ian's continued search for Cindy is given a surprising boost
 7.55 FULL CIRCLE WITH MICHAEL PALIN Today he travels through Japan and South Korea
 8.45 PAUL MERTON IN GALTON & SIMPSON'S Lunch in the Park
 9.10 DARK SKIES
 10.00 BULLY
 11.40 OASIS: THERE AND THEN Highlights of the band's concerts last year at Earls Court in London and Maine Road in Manchester
 12.05 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 STAGE ONE 10.15 TELLYTUBBIES 10.40
 SCHOOLS AT WORK 10.45 TOTS TV
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Libby goes out of her way to help Rohan
 2.30 HOME FRONT (New)
 3.00 THE CLOTHES SHOW
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with THE ADVENTURES OF DAWDLE
 4.00 THE ENCHANTED LANDS
 4.15 CONAN THE ADVENTURER (New)
 4.35 HOW 2 (New)
 4.50 RUN THE RISK (Repeat)
 5.15 BYKER GROVE Cher is in trouble with the synchronised swimming team
 5.40 HOME AND AWAY Steven is to be charged with hit and run
 6.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
 6.30 EMMERDALE Sam explains why he has returned to Emmerdale Sarah tells Rachel what she thinks of her
 6.55 CORONATION STREET Fiona counts the cost of her mistakes
 7.45 THE BILL Too Much To Lose Pc Stamp tries to persuade a fed-up prisoner not to blow his chances of release
 8.10 YOU'VE BEEN FRAMED (New)
 8.35 CRIME BEAT (New) This programme looks at how the trade in illegal drugs is being handled. Martyn Lewis reports on how police, councils and local communities work to drive the dealers out, a new way to help addicts kick the habit; and a campaign to warn schoolchildren about the dangers of drugs
 9.05 PEAK PRACTICE Andrew and Erica clash over how to deal with a baby's mysterious illness
 10.00 SKY NEWS
 10.30 FILM: WHAT'S EATING GILBERT GRAPE? (1993.12) Comedy drama starring Johnny Depp and Juliette Lewis. Gilbert Grape has a dead-end job and lives with his severely dysfunctional family. He also has been having an affair with a local housewife, but his life changes with the arrival of Becky

THURSDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 MEGAMATHS 10.20 LANDMARKS 10.40
 SCHOOLS AT WORK (Repeat) 10.45 THE RIDDLERS
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Rohan moves into Ramsay Street
 2.30 THE ANTIQUES SHOW
 3.00 VANESSA
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 4.00 SOOTY AND CO
 4.25 GET YOUR OWN BACK
 4.50 BLUE PETER
 5.15 THE O-ZONE
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Rebecca gets her hearing back
 6.00 CALL MY BLUFF Hosted by Bob Holness Tomorrow
 6.30 EMMERDALE The Woolpackers go on a surprise trip
 6.55 ANIMAL HOSPITAL CS
 7.25 EASTENDERS Joe shares his worries about women with Grant
 8.25 CHILDREN IN NEED (Repeat) Yo B F
 8.35 UNDERCOVER CUSTOMS This edition looks at how one customs officer destroyed a European smuggling organisation worth millions of pounds
 9.00 SHOOTING STARS
 9.30 THEY THINK IT'S ALL OVER (New)
 10.00 SKY NEWS Drama starring Robert De Niro and Ed Harris. Two Vietnam veterans are reunited when Joseph "Megs" Megessey visits the home of his former comrade Dave, who is still troubled by wartime experiences. The tension between the two men is heightened when Megs strikes up a friendship with Dave's sister

FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 EUREKA! 10.15 STOP, LOOK, LISTEN 10.30 STAGE
 TWO SCIENCE ENERGY 10.45 POTAMUS PARK
 2.10 NEIGHBOURS Lisa has a business proposal for Lou
 2.30 MILLIONAIRES
 2.55 COMEDY CLASSIC: DAD'S ARMY
 3.25 COUNTDOWN
 3.50 ROOM 785 Starting with: MOOMIN
 4.15 PLASMO (New)
 4.20 TRANSYLVANIA PET SHOP
 4.45 MR WYMI

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

5.00 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
 5.10 SUNNY'S EARS
 5.35 HOME AND AWAY Casey resolves things with Rebecca
 6.00 SPACE CADETS
 6.25 THE WHITBREAD: THE WORLD'S GREATEST OCEAN RACE
 6.55 SCENE HERE
 7.25 EASTENDERS Cindy receives a surprising phone call from Ian's private detective
 7.50 PIE IN THE SKY
 8.40 MICHAEL BARRYMORE'S STRIKE IT RICH
 9.05 THE LOCKSMITH (New) Pierce takes on Barry, a distant relative who has been in trouble with the police, as an assistant. Then Roland's estranged wife is attacked and his daughter goes missing
 10.00 RORY MCGRATH'S COMMERCIAL BREAKDOWN
 10.30 TURNING WORLD (New) A three-part drama set in a crumbling asylum which is threatened with closure
 11.25 TFI FRIDAY

SATURDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

9.15 THE MAGICAL ADVENTURES OF QUASIMODO
 9.40 ART ATTACK
 10.00 PETER PAN AND THE PIRATES
 10.30 LIVE AND KICKING
 1.30 GRANDSTAND Including: Ireland v New Zealand
 5.45 INTERNATIONAL RUGBY England v Australia
 7.25 TOP OF THE POPS
 7.55 BULLY - SURVIVAL GUIDE
 8.00 NOEL'S HOUSEPARTY
 8.50 CASUALTY
 9.40 HAVE I GOT NEWS FOR YOU

10.10 ANOTHER AUDIENCE WITH FREDDIE STARR
 11.00 PICK 'N' MIX
 11.30 MATCH OF THE DAY

SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

10.45 DEAR MR BARKER
 11.00 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
 11.25 BLUE PETER
 11.50 WISE UP
 12.20 SONGS OF PRAISE
 12.55 TWO FAT LADIES
 1.25 THE CHART SHOW
 2.15 BROOKSIDE
 3.25 THIS IS YOUR LIFE
 3.55 AUNTIE: THE INSIDE STORY OF THE BBC (New)
 4.55 CARTOON TIME
 5.05 25 YEARS OF THE TWO RONNIES
 5.45 THE DAY THAT CHANGED MY LIFE
 6.15 BROOKSIDE
 7.00 AUNTIE'S TV FAVOURITES
 7.30 BLIND DATE
 8.25 HEARTBEAT
 9.20 MURDER ONE
 10.45 JACK DEE'S SUNDAY SERVICE
 11.10 RUGBY EXPRESS
 12.05 TOTP 2

The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY November 22

6.00 News BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.30 News and Sport from five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Six Palestrina Masses
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 The Italian Renaissance
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY November 23

5.00 News: BFBS
 5.03 Music fill
 5.15 Dessert Island Discs
 6.00 Music Fill
 6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service-St Marys Church
 8.00 Sports Roundup
 8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didlick
 8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.00 News Desk
 9.28 Rpt. Weather & Flights
 9.30 The Old Curiosity Shop
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News BFBS

MONDAY November 24

10.03 Morning show - Hermina

12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The late afternoon show
 6.00 Country Crossroads
 6.30 Families and how to survive them
 7.00 The Goons CD collection
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 BBC Story of Pop
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt. Weather and Flights
 9.30 Anorak of fire
 10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY November 25

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News and Sport BFBS
 12.10 Lunchtime announcements
 12.15 Archers
 BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The late afternoon show
 5.30 News from St. Helena
 5.45 Calling the Falklands
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert - James
 7.30 News and Sports
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Eric Clapton Story Part 5

8.30 Paths of Inspiration
 9.00 News desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 9.30 Repeat News Magazine
 10.00 News BFBS
 WEDNESDAY November 26
 10.03 Morning show - Lorna
 12.00 News BFBS
 12.05 Lunchtime announcements
 BFBS Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The late afternoon show
 5.45 The Folk Show Rpt
 6.30 Just a minute
 7.00 Divided by a common language
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Classics Hour
 9.00 News Desk from BBC
 9.28 Rpt. weather & flights
 9.30 So much blood Pt 3
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News from BFBS

THURSDAY November 27

10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Annos
 BFBS Programme
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The late afternoon show
 5.30 In Concert - The Levellers
 6.30 Memories are made of this - with Tony Burnett

7.30 News and Sport
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Pot Luck with Myriam
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt weather and Flights
 9.30 Cont. with Pot Luck
 10.00 News BFBS
 FRIDAY November 28
 10.03 Morning Show - Lorna
 12.00 News B.F.B.S.
 12.05 Lunchtime Announcements,
 BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.18 The later afternoon show
 5.45 Calling the Falklands
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 On Stage: Deacon Blue
 7.30 Five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights Annos
 8.00 Announcers half hour
 8.30 Country Crossroads
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
 9.30 News Magazine rpt.
 10.00 News B.F.B.S.

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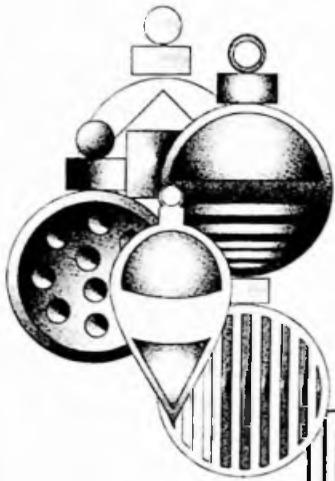
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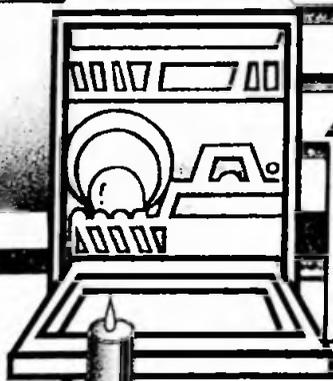
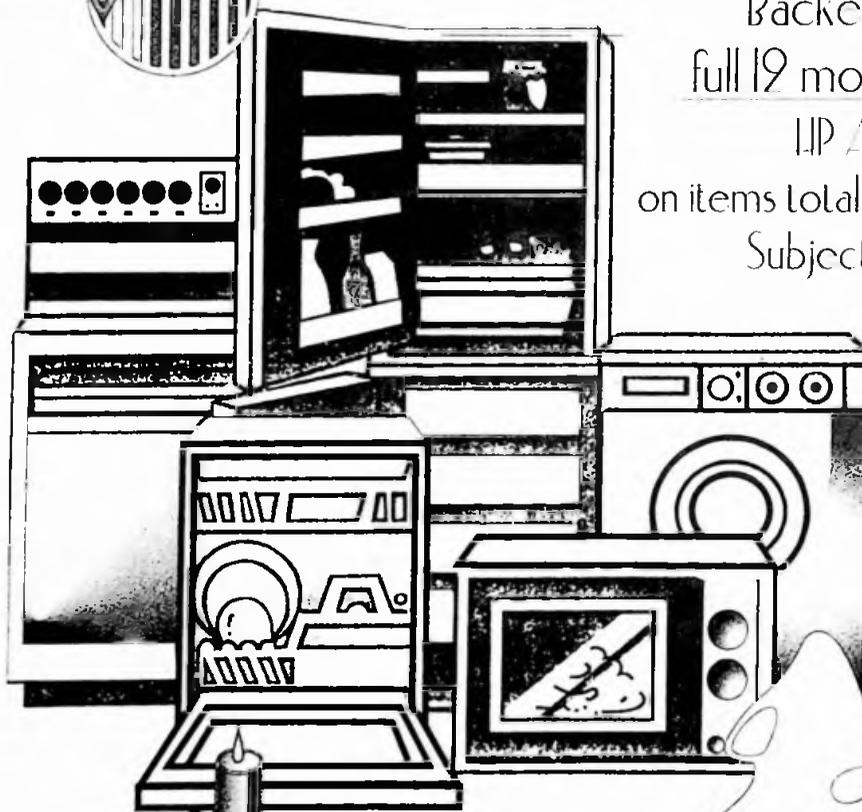


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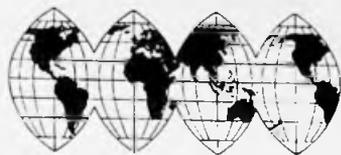
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Argentina

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AMBITO FINANCIERO 13/11/97

The twin of the English ship that unleashed the Falklands war arrives. It comes as a previous signal to Menem's trip.

It will speed up the lifting of the arms embargo.

On November 17th the ice breaker *IMS Endurance* of the Royal Navy will arrive in Buenos Aires Port. The ship's visit - identical to that which had notorious participation in the Falklands conflict, takes place a week after the Foreign Office's invitation to Carlos Menem to carry out an official visit to London.

The war ship's presence is foreseen by the Buenos Aires foreign ministry as a favourable signal to include the lifting of the arms embargo on the agenda of sensitive issues President Menem will discuss with the British Prime Minister. Tony Blair. In Great Britain the policy of the embargo has been questioned by members of the Trade and Industry Commission of the House of Commons because of its limitations on British firms from the defence sector to invest in privatisations in Argentina. The Argentine Navy will be the war ship's host, which is on its way to the Antarctic to carry out scientific tasks, contracted by the British Antarctic Survey, organisation similar to the CAN (National Antarctic Commission) in Argentina.

The relations between the two navies operated as discreet channels of diplomatic relations when in 1991 the embargo allowing English spare parts to Argentine ships during the Gulf War was allowed. The visit of the British ice breaker *Endurance*, commanded by Navy Captain Timothy Barton, is included within the round of military contracts, a mechanism which was designed to promote reconciliation and mutual trust following the 1982 conflict. In the military exchanges the mention of the veto concerning supplying of spare parts is part of the informal dialogues. They are based upon the fact of the possibility of obtaining spare parts and service of propulsion systems (marine and aeroplane turbines) which are far from the strict classification of arms.

The British Marines will carry out a series of protocol visits, including a celebration aboard the *Sarmiento* Frigate. The Navy's concern following the events in Cordoba earlier this week involving British Ambassador William Marsden, led to a series of contacts between officials of the embassy to coordinate the security measures for the arrival of the *Endurance* and movements of the crew. The *Endurance* will make a stopover in Buenos Aires Port and then leave for the Falkland Islands and then go to the Antarctic.

Official sources confirmed that fuel will be offered to the British ship, as an expression of the good level of bilateral relations.

Guido Di Tella is following closely the work his defence colleague Jorge Dominguez carries out, ensuring that negotiations continue as the foreign ministry wishes them to do so. And the lifting of the arms embargo is one of the objectives still to be resolved and which involves both ministries.

Dominguez will also visit London on an official visit during the first week of December. It is hoped that the military bilateral relations will avoid angry situations like those which took place in London between November 14th and 16th 1996. Sources at the foreign ministry said that at that time - from the Argentine embassy in London - the British defence officials transmitted their disgust because the Argentine committee, headed by Secretary of Military Affairs Jorge Percyra de Olazabal, did not include representatives of the Armed Forces.

Alignment

Also the foreign affairs ministry has improved its control of negotiations concerning military alignment following United States Secretary of State Madeleine Albright's communication to Di Tella that the US government designate Argentina as an extra-NATO ally.

The diplomatic strategy to obtain the lifting of the embargo laid down by the English government always took into consideration the designation of Argentina as a special NATO ally as a better scenario for lifting of the embargo. The first loosening of the embargo took place in 1991 during the Gulf War. Argentina sent two ships which operated under the United Nations flag, in the multi-national peace forces. At the beginning of the Falklands conflict John Biffen, then secretary of state for foreign trade, had announced a military embargo on spare parts for marine turbines Olympus and Tyne manufactured by Rolls Royce. In the operations in the Gulf the destroyer *ARA Almirante Brown*, required spare parts for its turbines. Discreet negotiations went on between the Argentine foreign ministry and the Foreign Office, who finally authorised the Royal Navy to provide the necessary material. In the House of Commons, industry and trade commission, the embargo has been dealt with on numerous occasions, the fundamental argument was brought up in 1995. The Sessions Book of that year, paragraph 35, recommends looking into policy concerning in the sector.

LA PRENSA 16th November 1997

Reflections concerning Falklands

Dear Editor,

Following the announcement of President Carlos Menem's trip to England, the following reflections occur to me concerning the Falkland Islands.

In January 1975 I visited the Islands on an Italian cruise. In spite of the fact that it was summer we got off the ship well wrapped up because it was very cold. My wife and I were among the first off the ship in what was then called Port Stanley. We toured the town and visited the shops where there were English products and also Argentine ones. But, when the rest of the tourists arrived we felt ashamed, because our compatriots robbed all kinds of things in the shops, to the extent that they had to close and only let one person in at a time into the shops. (Is it not understandable that the Islanders are not fond of us with such a testimony?) We also visited the airport to see the runway built by the Argentine Air Force. During the journey we could see how inhospitable the Islands are. At the time they lived from

the wool from the sheep, a market which was falling. My reflection is: if some day the islands become Argentine who will go and live there? I foresee that it will be an Army, Navy or Air Force garrison. So, our leaders, instead of thinking about "charm offensive" plans should think about what to do in the Islands with their inhabitants, instead of just going on about the sovereignty issue. That is done in the territory, once they are ours.

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Buenos Aires province.

CLARIN 18/11/97 Editorial page

Adequate way to go to the Falklands

Foreign Minister Guido di Tella expressed his aim to travel to the Falklands with a foreign passport to get round the prohibition laid down by the Islanders concerning the entrance of Argentine citizens.

The use of a foreign passport on the part of the foreign minister of a country is an initiative which is difficult to place in usual diplomatic practices. Even more so when it can reach adverse results to the objective of them.

What occurs, is that citizens with Argentine passports have been banned from entering the Islands since the war ended. Since then the Legislative Council of the Islands has allowed some Argentine journalists in on the condition that they hold a passport from another country.

The Foreign Ministry inscribes this project in their policy of achieving reconciliation and a relationship of trust with the Islanders as a consequence to improve the negotiating position of our country in the dispute over the Islands.

Almost nobody discusses the need to improve the relations with the inhabitants of the Falklands and with Great Britain and the usefulness that this can have in current and future negotiations. But, that does not justify the adoption of gestures which cannot only seem strange and surprising but also counter-productive for the aims argued.

Among the unusual gestures produced by our foreign ministry as the sending of Christmas presents, a letter addressed to the islands and a visit by Di Tella's relatives, all with Swiss passports and as tourists, which tried to show what the Argentine good willingness towards the inhabitants of the archipelago.

Now, to add the possible visit by the foreign minister himself, using a foreign passport and as a private traveller.

It does not seem to be a useful or adequate initiative. Nobody can consider a trip by the Argentine foreign minister to the Falklands as a simple personal visit with the aim of improving bitterness.

And if the Islanders accept the visit as a private gesture it is not clear what benefits will be the outcome for Argentine interests.

Worse even, the use of a non-Argentine passport to enter the Islands could be interpreted as implicit recognition of sovereignty. In this case the result would be purely negative.

There are diplomatic attitudes which are more conventional, maybe less spectacular but maybe more use-

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ful in the delicate negotiations which are being maintained with Great Britain and particularly with the inhabitants of the Falkland Islands.

LA PRENSA 18/11/97

The court will resolve a claim of a Falklands ex-soldier

The Supreme Court of Justice must resolve whether or not a physically handicapped person, as a consequence of injuries suffered during the Falklands war, has the right to be compensated for harm and damages suffered, as well as receiving the corresponding salary for retired military personnel.

The case concerns Army Sergeant Eduardo Azzetti, who was handicapped as a result of his participation in the war-like conflict between Argentina and Great Britain.

During the first and second hearings the former military man's claims were denied because it was argued that his injuries were a consequence of his job and risk of the profession, meaning he could not be compensated in a civil court.

The court awarded him a "pension" of 60 percent of the current salary of a superior officer.

Now the Supreme Court must decide whether or not this ruling is valid or not.

LA NACION 18/11/97

Nothing has changed in the Falklands

"Definitely the Argentines are not welcome here. What they did in 1982 is unforgivable." Straight to the point Ray Davies, an English military man, age 60, summarises what most of the Islanders feel. His words are a slap in your face. Just like the wind.

Tomorrow another group of Argentines will arrive in the Falklands. Fifteen relatives of soldiers who were killed during the 1982 conflict will come to pay homage to the soldiers buried in Darwin cemetery.

In no way is a good atmosphere (climate) waiting for them. It is very cold and the sky is cloudy. Davies is fighting against a wind chill factor which is against the calendar (if this is spring better not to imagine what the winter is like) walking with his dog along a deserted beach of white sand. The waves of the stormy sea break on the beach. Huge seagulls take off and land in the icy wind.

"Every day I come and walk here



British press Headline stories: Nov 14 - Nov 20

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR FRIDAY
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IRAQ
The possibility of military confrontation between the United States and Iraq is prominent in the early editions after Iraq's decision to expel American members of the UN's weapons inspection team in Iraq. *The Independent* says the standoff escalated with a speed that few had anticipated - including the UN Secretary-General, Kofi Annan - after a UN Security Council resolution imposed travel restrictions on Iraqi officials linked to efforts to block weapons inspections. *The Guardian* says the expulsion of the American weapons inspectors, on a humiliating drive through Iraq to Jordan, and the UN's announcement that it is withdrawing all but a skeleton staff from Baghdad, in effect leaves Iraq free to develop weapons of mass destruction that have been banned and monitored since the end of the Gulf War in 1991.

The Financial Times says President Clinton has had emergency meetings with his advisers, but it quotes American officials as saying this should not be seen as a signal that military action is imminent. The paper also reports a unanimous vote by the American House of Representatives to support unilateral military action if other measures failed.

The Daily Telegraph and *The Times* lead with the story that a British aircraft carrier, the *Invincible*, is being sent from the Caribbean to Gibraltar at the entrance to the Mediterranean. *The Times* says the move means Britain is preparing to send a potent strike force to the Gulf, although no decision had yet been taken. The paper adds that the British Prime Minister, Tony Blair, and his visiting Israeli counterpart, Benjamin Netanyahu, agreed during talks in London that there should be a tough allied stance towards Iraq. A number of papers also draw attention to the imminent arrival in London of the American Secretary of State, Madeleine Albright.

POLITICAL PARTY FUNDING

There is broad coverage of continuing controversy in Britain about the ethics of donations made to political parties.

HUMPHREY, THE DOWNING STREET CAT, RETIRES

One story almost guaranteed to touch the heart of the nation is the retirement of Humphrey, the cat from the Prime Minister's Downing Street residence. Humphrey - a national character whose exploits have been widely chronicled over the years - is reported to have been found a new home in the English countryside after retiring because of medical problems. *The Times* says he left complete with basket, litter tray and toy mouse, but without a

personal tribute from Mr Blair.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR
MONDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 1997

LABOUR PARTY FUNDING
The main story on today's front pages is the public apology by the British Prime Minister, Tony Blair, over his handling of disclosures about a one million pound donation to the Labour Party from a motor racing executive. The issue has dominated the political scene for the past week, especially in the light of the Government's decision to exempt Formula One motor racing from a ban on tobacco advertising. The papers generally regard Mr Blair's performance, in a BBC television interview, as a polished one in which he appealed for the public's trust and said his Government had done nothing wrong. *The Daily Mail* said Mr Blair had put on a display of disciplined contrition, as for *The Guardian*, it states that there should have been a more fulsome apology for the Government's evasions, half-truths and plain lies. *The Independent* says Mr Blair's party has been damaged because it was forced to make disclosures in rather the same way that the former Conservative Government had to admit to some irregular financial dealings.

In an article in *The Times*, Mr Blair promises a swift shake-up of the political funding system. He backs national limits on amounts spent by parties, a limit on individual donations, and the publication of donors and the amounts they give. He says he is prepared to legislate to force all parties to open up their books about future donations to guarantee fairness.

IRAQ

The main international story is again the situation in the Gulf, and in particular the failure by the American Secretary of State to win support for Washington's policy towards Iraq during her tour of the region. Most papers agree that, as a result, any military action has been put in abeyance and there is now a greater emphasis on diplomacy. *The Daily Telegraph*, along with *The Times*, highlights the statement by President Yeltsin, following a weekend phone call with the White House, that he is willing to try to help achieve a diplomatic breakthrough. *The Guardian* says Iraq has hinted at a possible solution over the row about the make-up of the United Nations weapons inspection teams. According to the paper, while such a compromise remains on the table, the US and Britain are likely to hold off from punitive military action.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR TUESDAY
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LUXOR TOURIST MASSACRE

The killing of more than 68 foreign tourists in Egypt by Islamic extremists dominates the front pages of

today's newspapers. *The Daily Mirror* devotes all its front page to the story, with a further account on the inside pages under the headline 'Valley of Death'. It quotes eye-witnesses as saying many tourists were mown down in pitiless machine-gun fire, some still sitting in their coaches. Others were picked off as they tried to run for cover. *The Guardian* says the gunman cut the throats of victims who were still moving. It also describes the miraculous escape of a ticket collector, Said Ahmeds, at the tomb of Hatshepsut. He had asked one man for his ticket when the man pulled out a gun. Three of Said Ahmed's friends standing near him were shot dead. He survived because their bodies fell on top of him. *The Independent* says the killers have destroyed one of Egypt's biggest earners, foreign tourism, for perhaps years to come.

The Daily Express focuses on the panic felt by many tourists who remain in the area, saying travel companies were planning an emergency airlift to fly them home. *The Times* says tour operators from all over the world are considering whether to pull out of Egypt. It says the tourist bloodbath has dealt a fatal blow to President Mubarak's attempt to convince the world that his five-year campaign against Islamic militants is succeeding. In an editorial, *The Times* says if Mr Mubarak really wants to tackle the problem, he must look beyond a simple tough response from his security forces. The paper argues that militant Islam is taking full advantage of frustration among Arabs at the stalled Arab-Israeli peace process, a growing gap between rich and poor, the absence of legitimate channels to express political opposition and corruption which has accompanied economic reform. *The Daily Telegraph* says it is no coincidence that the attack occurred at a time when Iraq is again challenging the West, and particularly the United States. The paper argues that Saddam Hussein articulates the Arab sense of injustice at the West's insistence that Iraq should observe United Nations resolutions when Israel can flout its obligations towards the Palestinians.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR
WEDNESDAY 19 NOVEMBER 1997

LUXOR TOURIST KILLINGS

Today's British newspapers devote many pages to eye-witness accounts and details of the victims killed by Islamic extremists in Egypt. Nearly every one of them carry pictures on their front pages of five-year-old Shaunnah Turner from Rippondon in Northern England, who was gunned down along with her mother and grandmother. *The Mirror* has a montage of pictures of the five-year-old, describing her as 'the little lamb slaughtered at the temple'. *The Daily Star* has the headline 'For God's Sake' and says Shaunnah and the other tourists were slaughtered by what the paper describes as 'Muslim maniacs killing in the name of Allah'.

The Independent quotes the son of an elderly British couple, who were also murdered, as saying he had joked with them to take bullet-proof vests before they set off on what they had described as 'their holiday of a lifetime'.

The Times quotes the group responsible for the killing, the Al-Gamaa al-Islamiya, as saying their intention was to take foreign hostages. But eye-witnesses, quoted by the paper, say the gunman appeared to have one intention - to kill as many people as possible.

In an article on an inside page, *The*

Times argues that holiday companies and tourists should not over-react to the killing, and pull out en-masse from Egypt. That, it says, would be giving in to the gunmen who view tourists as western imperialists. *The Guardian* says that some tourists clearly want to remain, and have accused the British Foreign Office of panicking by advising tour companies to evacuate them. *The Daily Telegraph* headlines the anger of President Mubarak of Egypt, who went to the scene of the killing and told his Interior Minister bluntly that he had failed.

IRAQ

The other main international story is the situation in Iraq. *The Times* says that the United States is stepping up pressure on Baghdad by building up its forces in the region. *The Guardian* says that a diplomatic solution is now more likely after Moscow said its talks with the Iraqi foreign ministers had yielded a possible solution to the crisis over the make-up of United Nations' inspection teams. But *The Independent* quotes an assessment by Britain's Intelligence Service that if Iraq is allowed to operate without the presence of UN inspectors it could produce, within a matter of months, a small number of biological and chemical weapons, including warheads. And the paper says that London and Washington are determined not to allow that to happen.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR
THURSDAY 20 NOVEMBER 1997

ROYAL GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

All today's papers agree that the Golden Wedding anniversary of the Queen and Prince Philip is the main story of the day, and photographs of the royal couple celebrating their 50 years of marriage are on almost all the front pages.

The Sun says, living in the gold-fish bowl of world attention, staying married to the same person for 50 years is not easy - and it is an achievement of which The Queen and Prince Philip can be justly proud. It is ironic, *The Sun* says, that while The Queen's marriage has been solid as a rock, those of her children were built on sand. *The Times*, however, quotes Prince Philip as saying that he thought his children had done rather well under very demanding circumstances. *The Times* describes Prince Philip's speech as unusually personal. *The Daily Telegraph* agrees, and says the Prince made a poignant and remarkable personal expression of pride and praise for his wife and children.

The Mirror says although the monarchy is far less popular than when they got married, The Queen and her husband are aware of that, and seem determined to do something about it. *The Daily Telegraph* says Britain should take the opportunity of The Queen's 50th wedding anniversary to remember how much the country has improved: the extent of wealth, freedom and opportunity in the Britain of 1997 was almost unimaginable in 1947, the paper says.

RUNAWAY SCHOOLBOY

Finally, many papers take up the story of a young boy from one of Britain's most famous private schools, Rugby, who has run away to Barbados because of what the *Daily Mail* calls 'pre-exam nerves'. *The Telegraph* says the boy told a friend that he needed to get away. *The Guardian* suggests that he may be merely preparing himself for his geography examinations!



News from South America

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CHILEAN DEFENCE MINISTER AMBASSADOR IN ARGENTINA
Chilean Defence Minister, Edmundo Perez Yoma will become Chile's next Ambassador to Argentina. In a short press release the Chilean Foreign Ministry said that the Argentine government had agreed to Perez Yoma's appointment, adding that the minister would remain in his current job until early next year.

Perez Yoma, a Christian Democrat ally of President Eduardo Frei had said he wanted to quit his post but was asked by Frei to remain for a while.

The minister had come under heavy political fire this month for his handling of the vetoed promotion of an army brigadier who was allegedly involved in human rights violations during the seventies.

According to witnesses and human rights groups, Brigadier Jaime Lepes was personally involved in the bloody repression of opposition leaders and militants in Punta Arenas, during the early seventies.

The Brigadier's promotion had been sought by Army Commander in Chief General Augusto Pinochet, the former dictator who is due to retire next year to become a senator for life. Perez Yoma will replace Eduardo Rodriguez Guarachi.

BRAZIL PLANS TO SWAP OIL IMPORTS FOR FUTURE OUTPUT

Brazil hopes to pay for an expected two billion US dollars of oil imports next year with oil the country plans to produce in the future. The move is part of an effort to help reduce the country's widening current account deficit because it will allow Brazil to import needed oil without laying out any cash.

Brazil's oil production supplies about 60 percent of the daily 1.5 million barrels consumed in the country with the remainder imported. Oil accounted for 10 percent of all Brazilian imports in the first ten months of 1997. In 1996 when Brazil imported 4.95 billion US dollars of oil, it posted a 5.5 billion US dollars trade deficit.

Under the proposed agreement Petrobras, Brazil's state-controlled oil company, would set up partnerships with foreign and Brazilian companies to drill and produce oil. The expansion programme is expected to boost production 1.2 billion barrels a day by 2000, up from 890,000 barrels currently. The oil would be returned after the future partnerships start to produce oil and help boost the overall production.

"By then our production will be large enough to pay back the oil to our partners and supply 75% of the country's needs," said Luiz Carlos Mendonca de Barros, president of Brazil's development bank BNDES.

CONTINENTAL WILL FLY DAILY TO USA

Dallas based Continental Airlines has been authorised by the United States government to fly seven times a week between the US and Chile.

The schedules are part of a new "open skies" arrangement currently under consideration between both countries, which should be ready to sign before the end of the year. Continental is one of the major carriers of the United States and is in open competition with American and United Airlines for the Latin American passenger and freight markets. In related affairs, Spanish Iberia Airlines announced that as of next year the company is to increase to four the number of flights to Madrid from Montevideo, and to ten from Buenos Aires.

At present Iberia flies directly to Europe three times a week from Montevideo and seven from Buenos Aires. Iberia, which has an important stake in Aerolineas Argentinas, will also be participating in the British Airways-American Airlines association plan to take over a leading control in the former Argentine state owned company.

PERU, "A CARICATURE OF A DEMOCRACY"

World renowned writer Mario Vargas Llosa was declared "persona non grata" by his peers after having declared that Peru is a "cartoon democracy".

Peruvian born Vargas Llosa, and now a Spanish citizen, indicated that "Peru is living under a dictatorship disguised as a democracy. There are some democratic procedures, but in essence it's a caricature of a democracy".

Liberal Vargas Llosa who has been a Nobel Prize Literature candidate several times is an acerbic critic of Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori, who closed Parliament in 1992, reformed the Constitution and had himself elected for a second mandate in 1994.

President Fujimori has been accused of ruling the country with an iron hand in alliance with the military, and there are permanent claims of human rights violations and attacks to the press. Vargas Llosa became a Spanish citizen when he was denied a new passport by the Fujimori regime.

"We invite him to a literature event and he ends criticising the government, that is why we've declared him persona non grata," said Reynaldo Cervantes president of the Peruvian writers union.

FLY CHEAPER, FLY "BLUE SKY"

British Airways announced the creation of a new company in an attempt to compete with other carriers for the cheaper fares European market.

"Blue Sky" is scheduled to begin operating next year as a separate company and is targeted to fly to the most popular destinations in Spain, Italy, Scandinavia, France and Germany. Bob Ayling, British Airways' Chief Executive Officer said that once Blue Sky begins "offering more competitive fares and flying to the most popu-

lar cities in Europe, the new company should rapidly become a favourite for the economic class traveller."

CHRISTOPHERSEN WINS LEASE FOR MONTEVIDEO HARBOUR

Christophersen Maritime Agents in association with Maersk Inc. from Denmark won the lease to equip and manage for thirty years the container stand in the Montevideo harbour.

The lease that will be made official in two weeks time, means the Uruguayan-Danish consortium have to invest almost one hundred million dollars during the next thirty years. This includes an extension of several acres of the present container's deposit and the incorporation in the next twelve months of the huge cranes necessary to handle containers plus all the computer system to manage several million tons of freight annually. The Christophersen-Maersk bid of 67 US dollars for handling each container was considered by the Montevideo Port authorities the most acceptable. The other two bids quoted 82 and 84M US dollars, belonged to Belgian-Uruguayan consortiums. The winning consortium will have to pay an annual licence of one million dollars plus ten dollars for each container.

SHIP OWNERS PAY COSTS OF CLEANING OIL SPILL

Insurance companies have reached an agreement with the Uruguayan government to pay 2.5 million US dollars for the costs of the clean up of the worst oil spill in the Uruguayan coast.

Last February the "San Jorge", a 55,000 tons tanker transporting oil from Comodoro Rivadavia to Brazil, ran into some uncharted rocks twenty miles off the Uruguayan coast and spilt an estimated 10% of its load creating an 18 mile long, half a mile wide patch of thick oil.

The oil gradually advanced towards the coast spoiling some of the prime beaches of Uruguay packed with tourists in the middle of the summer season as well as killing an estimated 5,000 sea lion pups from a nearby island reserve.

Finally a work force of 1,500 men cleaned up the beaches while Uruguayan Navy units and Argentine aircraft dispersed the worst of the oil spill with chemicals.

The agreement only covers costs of the clean up and leaves the door open for other civil claims such as loss of profit, (for the tourist industry), and damage to the marine life and environment.

INTERNATIONAL FISHERY SHOW IN BUENOS AIRES

"Pes AL '97, the largest international fish industry exhibition in Argentina will be held in Buenos Aires during the first week of December.

The Commercial Fishing and Processed Sea Products Exhibition and Congress is organised jointly by the Argentine Agriculture and Fisheries Department, and Diversified Exhibitions, and American company responsible for the international fisheries exhibitions of Boston, San Francisco and Brussels.

Companies from the following countries will be participating: Chile, Sweden, Italy, Iceland, Canada, Holland, Spain, Portugal, France and the United States. Simultaneously with the show there will be conferences regarding Mercosur, management and conservation of fisheries, Law of the Sea and future of the industry.

BLUE STAR LINE RETURNS TO THE RIVER PLATE

The English shipping company Blue Star Line is back in the River Plate with its original name and since last October has began weekly links to the northern ports of Europe.

The Blue Star Line was begun a century ago in Liverpool to buy beef in Argentina and Uruguay, and in 1912 started sailing regularly to the River Plate with its own refrigerated vessels.

"We were the first agents to establish direct links between the River Plate and northern Europe, and we have plans to recover that trade plus the refrigerated freight which has become one of our strongest commercial abilities", said Tony Longstaff, General Manager of Blue Star Line Argentina.

The English shipping company currently has 45 container vessels, which can operate dry and refrigerated cargo, and has purchased 800 additional refrigerated containers for the River Plate run that will be incorporated during 1998.

The service was inaugurated last October with brand new "Brazil Star", a vessel launched last September which has a nominal capacity of 2468 TEU and 300 containers.

CHILEAN SALMON EXPORTS

The United States Department of Commerce in a preliminary decision indicated that Chilean salmon exports practically do not receive government subsidies and therefore are not exposed to possible sanctions.

The US salmon industry claims that the Chilean produce is highly subsidised and is demanding a ban of salmon imports alleging unfair competition. The Chileans have counter-acted contracting former US presidential candidate Bob Dole to defend their case. According to a short release from the US Department of Commerce, Chilean salmon exports only receive a minor subsidy (0.65 in a scale that enables counter tariffs as from 2.0), but hearings will continue.

"It's very positive and encouraging but it's only the first leg. We must prepare intensely for the second half," said John Bielh, Chilean Ambassador in Washington.

But Joe McGoniglio who represents the plaintiff, said "we trust the final decision will support our claim and condemn the unfair trade practices."

A final decision is not expected until next March.

Chile who in 1981 only harvested 53 tons a year, has become the second world producer, behind Norway, and exports almost 100,000 tons to the United States. The salmon industry now employs 70,000 people and has foreign sales of 500 million US dollars.

SOUTH AMERICAN WOOL MARKET REPORT

Market: A slower trading rhythm all over the region. But even so we have had a good deal of up-dated price information as seen above. The interaction with my different sources appears to be working!

Argentina: FLA Argentine wool federation have now released their export statistics for the 4 first months of the 97/98 season, namely July/October.

The overall figure is of 14,311 tons actual weight, whose total F.O.B. value was of USD 56,744 M. Their break-down was of 55.8% tops, 23.4% greasy, 14% scoureds, 3% noils and the balance of 3.8% was split between finished products, carbonized, yams and wastes.

By destinations: 1) China 29.8% 2) France 13.7% 3) Germany 12.7% 4) Italy 10.3% 5) Uruguay 8.2% 6) Mexico 3.6% 7) Chile 2.8% 8) India 2.7% 9) Belgium 2.4% 10) Peru 2.3%.

The balance of 11.5% was spread between 18 other countries

because I love this place," says Davies, breathing deeply the air in Surf Bay, two kilometres from Stanley, the capital and only city on this archipelago.

A hundred metres away near some sand dunes, there is some wire fencing on which there are some red signs which stand-out which warn: "Danger Mines." This is one of the hundreds of areas covered in landmines by Argentine soldiers during the conflict.

"The Argentine invasion was like the attack on Pearl Harbour: there was never a declaration of war," says Davies, who in spite of his statements was not here during the conflict, but he arrived ten years ago to work for the local electric company.

Fifteen years after the war, wounds continue open. To the Islanders the Argentines have committed a serious crime which no charm-offensive or reconciliation can repair.

It doesn't matter that the United Kingdom has re-established diplomatic relations with Argentina, nor that economic agreements have been reached which were before unthinkable. The matter of sovereignty cannot be discussed.

"We can't forget what they did to us. The conflict is still very fresh," says Jackie Summers, another Islander, who is not afraid to speak out and says, "The Argentines are still a threat to us."

"Obviously less so than before," she admits "because now we have a good military defence. But the people are still worried: Until the Argentines give up their claim of sovereignty of the Islands, we cannot have a normal relationship."

Memories of 1982

Unlike Ray Davies, Summers was in the Islands during the war "It was a nightmare, difficult to bury." She had to leave her house in Stanley and, "like a refugee" escape along with her two, small daughters to a house in the countryside.

She says, that when she returned to Stanley, when the conflict had ended she found her house semi-destroyed. "There were booby traps all over the place. I was afraid to touch anything," she recalls.

Like the rest of the nearly 1,500 inhabitants of the city, Summers firmly supports the idea that letting Argentines into the Islands has been prohibited since then.

"When they give up their claim to sovereignty over our territory, they can come here whenever they want and there will be no more problems," she says, aware that this is an *Utopia*.

Her fear goes beyond what she considers "indispensable" on the part of the Argentines. She is also afraid of the new Labour Government. "We are still not clear about whether or not they will adopt the same policy as the Conservatives concerning the sovereignty," she confesses.

Tony Smith, an Islander, age 35, who is accompanying three Argentine media who were able to enter the Islands on passports from other countries to cover the visit tomorrow and the next day of a group of relatives of the victims, also says that everything will change once Argentina drops its claim.

"I believe that we have the right to decide which country to belong to and we belong to Great Britain," he says, emphasising that he thinks that it is important that we journalists report what the Islanders think

about all this.

Criticising Di Tella

Drizzle, a wind that never stops, huge black clouds, racing across the sky. "We pray for it to be fine when there are tourists here, but we love it when it is like this when Argentines come," says Tony, as a joke but seriously.

Everyone concludes that it is not "hate" that they feel towards the Argentines, but more mistrust. Included in that is our Foreign Minister Guido di Tella, one of the best known Argentines in this land.

The Islander who does not receive his famous and questioned Christmas gift, has a friend who has had the pleasure of the gift, and the visit of his daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren (thanks to a Swiss passport), at the beginning of 1996, which has been difficult to forget.

Concerning the announcement last week that he will come "soon" using another passport, presumably Italian, there is no agreement either.

"The Government won't allow it. If di Tella wants to come here with another document, he should do it after 1999, when he is no longer minister. It is absolutely inappropriate at the present time as foreign affairs minister," is the unanimous opinion.

The Legislative Council, the only elected organism of the Islands, which consists of either members, is the group which must give di Tella authorisation.

The only people who are not rejected are the relatives of the Argentines killed in combat in 1982: "They are welcome," says Jackie Summers.

And she adds: "They were only carrying out orders. The war was not their fault, it was an unnecessary tragedy."

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La Nacion in Falklands: Interview with the governor by Elizabetha Pique

Foreign Minister di Tella announced that he will come to the Islands using another passport. Will he be allowed in?

"I think that for now the question is hypothetical. We read about it in the Argentine press but we have not received any formal request from the government which is necessary.

The migratory policy is in the hands of the Islands government, of the government of Great Britain and in this particular case in the hands of the elected Legislative Council, who must consider it once a formal proposal has been made.

Di Tella will not be allowed in to the Islands

"But, some Legislative Councilors have already said publicly that such a visit will not be welcome. Personally I think it is clear that the Legislative Councilors consider that members of the Argentine government are not welcome in any kind of situation, unless they change their point of view concerning the sovereignty issue of the Islands.

What will happen if di Tella's hypothetical proposal becomes a formal request?

"It will have to be considered. I don't think the Legislative Council will change its mind.

Does the Legislative Council have in its hands the legal means to impede this trip?

"Yes. The migratory control is an affair of the Islands government and there is a very clear policy which lays down that common Argentines can visit the Islands if they use a non-Argentine passport but not Argentine government officials. There are special rules for Argentine journalists

who as well as a passport from another country must have the special approval of the government.

What is your opinion of Foreign Minister di Tella?

"He is a nice man. I have met him many times and he is a very civilised 'gentleman'. But, as you have noticed the people in the islands do not see him as a kind and friendly man but as the foreign minister of a foreign country, which maintains a claim against us. If not, it would be very different. The local people and the Legislative Council have always said that things would change if there is no sovereignty claim. This would transform the situation enormously.

The people say that they are afraid that the new English Labour government will not continue with the same policy as the Conservative government as far as sovereignty is concerned. What do you think about this?

"What I can say is that during the last few days of the electoral campaign and when they were in office, the Labour party said on numerous occasions that they were not going to make changes in the fundamental points of British policy. This means that the sovereignty is not negotiable and that they will continue to respect the Islanders wishes of remaining under British sovereignty. So, there will be no change. What will go on is the wish to improve the good relations with Argentina and try, as far as it is possible, to leave what happened in 1982 behind. In that we have made great progress which assures stability in the region.

And what do you think about the visit that President Menem will make next year to Great Britain?

"It is very welcome. The people in the Islands believe that it will help to promote stability and good neighbourliness with Argentina, so it is very good. Both the British government and the Argentine government have described this visit as a recognition of the intensifying and improvement in bilateral relations, especially in commercial aspects. The sovereignty will not be negotiated during the visit.

Sovereignty will not be negotiated, but Argentina will try and bring it up...

"That is an Argentine affair. I understand that the position of the Argentine government is that it is not possible for the President to travel to Great Britain and not mention the Falklands question, but the British position is very clear as far as this is concerned: The sovereignty is not negotiable nor discussible, even though it is recognised that there is a dispute with Argentina.

What did you feel last July when the former British colony of Hong Kong was returned to China?

"As happened to many British people, mixed feelings. It was something that had to happen because there was a treaty which laid down the return. But, it has no implication with the Islands question because it is a totally different situation. It is wrong to think that there is any connection between Hong Kong and that the British government is ready to return the islands: What the government does want - as in the case of Hong Kong - is a good relationship with Argentina. For example it is very good that members of the Islands government has discussed oil and fishing matters with Argentina and I would like, in as far as it is possible, that this co-operation continues and increases.

Is there any chance that there could be another meeting between Argentina and the United Kingdom like that at Chevening?

"That would be to speculate. What di Tella is showing is that he is knocking at the British government's doors for that and in this case it will be something the British government must consider.

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Relatives visit to the Falklands

In the Argentine cemetery in Darwin, which a group of Argentine relatives of the dead, will visit today, the only thing you can hear is the sound of the wind and the noise of the rosaries hitting hundreds of crosses.

The place is the most impacting one in the Falklands. In the middle of the hilly scenery, where you can see the sea faraway, a white fence near to a terrible reality.

In tidy rows 232 crosses have been put up, which form something like an inverted T, in the crown of which you can see another great cross. Their immaculate white colour is a contrast to the well kept green grass. As well as plastic rosaries, the crosses have artificial carnations tied to them, put there by relatives on previous visits.

The objects, speak of the desperation of a father, mother or brother, to leave something there that can accompany the loved one, in the overwhelming solitude, thousands of kilometres from their family.

Going round the cemetery is difficult. There are 232 crosses, but 236 Argentines buried there, because in one grave there are two bodies together and in another four.

Those which are unidentified have a sign on them which says 'An Argentine soldier known unto God.' Even though they are graves of unknown soldiers, they are "adopted graves" by relatives who were once able to cry for their dead with a name and surname. They also have a flower and rosary.

At the foot of many crosses which are not anonymous, there are marble or bronze tombstones, hearts, candles and even some photographs of smiling boys, of no more than 20 years of age.

That of the conscript Juan F. Rava, has a religious stamp of the Virgin Mary and reads, "Your grandmother, aunts, uncles, cousins and little cousins." On another, that of Corporal Raul A Gomez, who was killed in combat at age 19, there is a flowerpot which recalls his native origin: Goya. "Today, faraway we are still waiting for you to come back. With love, mummy, brothers, sisters and nephews," is read where soldier Guillermo Granado rests.

The Argentine cemetery of Darwin is situated on the isthmus of the same name, which separates the two Islands. To reach it you have to drive for 45 minutes along a stoney road from Mount Pleasant airport.

The place is far from Stanley (120 kilometres, an hour and a half in a 4x4) not just because the islanders prefer that they be distant from the city, but because 15 minutes away is Goose Green, where on May 28th one of the bloodiest battles took place.

WOOL MARKET REPORT

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New Zealand: North Island compared to South Island November 6th. Crossbred fleece 32/33 micron fully 2% dearer with 34 to 37 micron par to 1% dearer. Due limited offering unable to quote finer types. Competition mainly from Western Europe, Local Mills, China, supported by India and Pakistan.

Australia: Sales held in Sydney and Melbourne. Merino fleeces 23 to 25 micron closed firm with 26 to 28 types barely firm and 29 & 30 microns 1% cheaper.

31 to 34 microns closed firm. Eastern market indicator closed unchanged at 708 c/kilo. Western market indicator closed 1 cent lower at 647 c/kilo. General: With exchange rates for the Australian dollar touching their lowest for five years at one point this week, Bradford prices for tops have been reduced even while the main market indicators stay unchanged. Not every firm has reduced prices again, but it only takes two or three to do so to show the way for potential buyers to bid less. Falling prices often mean that buyers hold back in the expectation of further declines to come, but with Christmas and seasonal factors soon liable to reduce wool availability, some traders feel that better business might not be far away.

Doctor on Horseback by Dr. B (Tom) Hopwood... A true story of the Falkland Islands in the 1940's

Discovering the 'exotic' in Punta Arenas

I LEFT the Governor in his sumptuous bed at the Hotel del Parque knowing full well that I should not see him again, so the promises we made of meeting back in the UK must have sounded unreal to us both.

We had had a good trip up from Stanley and indeed I had always been reasonably lucky with the weather whenever I was on the *Fitzroy*. The coming trip was to change all that with a vengeance. At one point, I remember asking the Captain, Johnny Johnson, "I suppose she's safe enough, Johnny isn't she? I mean, we're not going to lose a mast or anything." He grinned sardonically and cocked a yellowish eye in my direction.

"Well, Doc, all I can tell you is that if she takes three seas running on her foredeck she won't come up again."

Back I went to the wing of the bridge and stood watching the waves towering above the little ship. I now knew what was meant when mountainous seas were talked about. Here they were. In the first onslaught, some of the glass windows on the bridge had been cracked and the first wave that came smacking against the glass was usually the worst. I looked out on nothing but white cascading water. There was no part of the foredeck to be seen. Then you could sense the ship struggling to get up against the mass of seawater and, before she could manage it, down would come another wave and in no time there was another mass of white water threatening the deck. Just before it could land, the bows would shudder up and out of the water, just enough to catch a glimpse of the deck. Time and again this happened. I kept constant watch, almost mesmerised by the sight, so that on that voyage I only left the bridge in the dark and for meals - solitary ones.

The *Fitzroy* used to chug along at a steady ten knots, but on this trip we only achieved 150 miles one day and 90 miles the next. She should have been covering just over 240 miles. Johnny, when he was making up the log, remarked that he was pretty sure most of this was backwards. The voyage took 2 1/2 days longer than it should. On this trip, we were not going direct to Stanley, but calling at Punta Arenas first. Eventually, we entered the Straits and I remember thinking that, when this happened, the weather would moderate and everything would be more comfortable.

Our passage through the Straits was very impressive. I lay in bed in my gazebo with the curtains drawn right back and what a sight it was! By this time, not only was a full gale blowing, but there was a snow-storm as well. In spite of this, the water itself was relatively calm. We made so little progress and it became so difficult to maintain course that Johnny, the Skipper, said he wished we could anchor until the storm had blown itself out. The sheer sides of the Straits towered above us on both sides and apparently the depth of water was such that there was not enough anchor chain to reach bottom. Lying in my bunk, the snow was blowing exactly parallel to the water and a great snowdrift piled up on the windward side of my little cabin. It became very hazardous indeed going to the dining saloon or crossing the deck at all.

Punta Arenas, when we got there, was frozen solid. The roads were glacial but there were very few cars and one had to walk everywhere. The English Club was a refuge of leather arm-chair comfort. We stayed ashore at the local hotel while the ship went across the Straits to collect Patagonian wool and presumably deliver stores from Montevideo.

When the *Fitzroy* returned, Johnny, the Captain, said the hotel and club were too boring and he would take us to a place where the drinks were good and it would be quite lively, so off we went, Johnny, Don and me. We slithered down several streets, the houses shrouded in darkness. We stopped at what looked like an ordinary bungalow and Johnny knocked confidentially on the door. The door opened cautiously.

"Ah! Captain Johnny, come in, come in." Then behind she called "Este el Capitano."

At this, the whole place suddenly lit up, revealing a largish room with a bar set out with a few tables and chairs. Apart from the bar, the room must have been like an ordinary Chileno sitting-room, which I suspect it was most of the time. Three or four largish women appeared from nowhere, dressed mostly in black with thick, thick legs and carrying all before them. They were very polite, serving drinks and the inevitable *fiambres*. One of these formidable women put on the gramophone, the old HMV type with the handle and the dog watching the turn-table go round. One of the women volunteered to dance, but neither Don

nor I took up the invitation. Johnny happily, though to our surprise, danced around and seemed to enjoy it. We had another drink and we both agreed we had had enough of this drear place, but it was only then we realised that Johnny was no longer with us. When we asked one of the women (they were certainly not girls) where the Captain was, she gestured with her hands and said, "El Capitano, gone push-push, he will return pronto."

We were so taken aback that we couldn't get out of the place fast enough to avoid upsetting anyone by bursting out laughing. We staggered outside and started sliding all over the ice, more-or-less on our hands and knees. Since we were laughing so much, standing was a problem. We were laughing at ourselves as much as anything. We simply had no idea at all that Johnny's "lively place" was in fact a brothel. Nothing was ever said about this night's adventure.

On our return, to Stanley, it was to find a new Governor in Government House and a 2,000 ton ship, *SS Lafonia*, in the harbour. This was to be the flagship of the Falkland Islands Company and she really did put the poor old *Fitzroy* to shame. It was intended that the *Lafonia* should do the trips to and from Montevideo and the *Fitzroy* should go round the Islands collecting the wool and delivering stores. This sounded fine and so it was for a while but, some few years later, when the price of wool had been hit by the advent of man-made fibres, the *Lafonia* was sold and the clock put back. She was a great acquisition at the time, with good-sized cabins and a deck for promenading and, in good weather, sitting gossiping over a gin and tonic.

Sir Miles Clifford, the new Governor, unlike his predecessor, was married, but I think his wife had a hard time adjusting to the dreariness of Stanley and felt rather isolated by protocol, which severely restricted the people with whom she could be friendly. She was of an imperious turn of mind and did try knocking the local ladies into shape, but with little success. As for Sir Miles, he was probably similarly depressed by the lack of colleagues and the loneliness of his position. We were only in Stanley for rather a short time after his arrival and we did miss the friendliness of Sir Alan Wolsey Cardinal.

As the time to leave grew closer, we prepared for the journey with some impatience. Although the war was over, it seemed that the recruiting machinery of the Colonial Office had not improved and still functioned with Victorian propriety, preserving its august and mysterious authority. Thus it was not until a week or two before we were

actually due to sail that we heard that my replacement was about to be appointed. The inevitable happened and I had to stay until my replacement arrived. Shirley decided that she would take the opportunity to visit one of her old friends in Buenos Aires, a girl who had married a Spaniard in Barcelona and whom she had not seen for years. We were all packed up, so this seemed a good idea.

One good consequence of the delay was that I was able to meet my successor, Jackie Stafford, an ex-Olympic boxer for Ireland and pugilist for Trinity, Dublin. Jackie had been in the RAF in Iceland so he was really turning things upside down. In spite of his Irishness, which was emphatic, almost his greatest love was Scotch Whiskey, which was not even then in abundant supply, most Falkland Islanders relying on Brazilian gin and rum, both grossly over-proof. I might say we spent about a month together because the *Lafonia* was otherwise engaged and, during this time, we cornered the whiskey market, not for profit but to ensure that Jackie would not be deprived. We also spent several evenings at Government House, playing bridge with the Governor. By this time, Lady Clifford had given up and returned to the UK. Jackie was not one whit disturbed by HE's eminence and regaled us, with his inherited charm and technique with many a raucous story. One remark I do remember was -

"She's what I wud call an old Bag. Your Excellency, if you'd pardon de expression, sor."

Even in such a small place, the Governors were treated with the greatest respect, so I did wonder how Jackie's genius for informality would make out. Since he relieved me years later in Africa, he must have managed all right.

About a month after Shirley and Penny had left, I found myself at the end of the Falkland experience. When eventually I embarked on the *SS Lafonia*, I had the first official day off since I had arrived. The trip to Montevideo with Sir Alan had been on duty, so I was resolved to make a holiday of the trip home.

When I got to Montevideo, it was to discover that although, as a Government Servant, I had some priority, the Government Coast Agent was encouraging us to put off our departure and make the most of the opportunity to enjoy Uruguay for as long as we liked. My first task was to go in search of Shirley and Penny in Buenos Aires, so off I went on the River boat up the River Plate. We had a pleasant time in BA, but it was more-or-less midwinter, and the Argentines had their recurring and persistent political problems.

Mission man thrilled

THE 'office boy makes good' is a cliché much beloved of (and virtually done to death by) the Jeffrey Archer school of fiction. Less common are the true life 'rags-to-riches' stories of actual flesh and blood characters. Still fewer are the tales of those who begin at the bottom and, eschewing more lucrative careers, reach high and often unsung positions within the charitable institutions of Great Britain.

Thirty years ago, as the Sixties still swung and Britain boomed, a young man named Paul Jarrett landed a job as an office boy with the Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen. Today he is the National Secretary to the same mission, is a Justice of the Peace and was made an MBE in recognition of his charity work over many years.

Last week he visited the Falklands to be present at the official opening of the newly completed Seamen's Centre, close to FIPASS, and took time out to talk to *Penguin News* about his life, his work and the charity he has served for thirty years. The first thing he wanted to stress was that the Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen is not a church. Though some of the Mission Superintendents have an ecumenical background others are drawn from a variety of backgrounds.

He, himself, worked among fishermen at a number of ports, among them Humberside and Aberdeen, gaining valuable insights into the specific problems of British seamen. One of the most prevalent of these problems is what Paul now describes as, "the decline



Mission Secretary Paul Jarrett pictured recently in Stanley

of a once great industry."

"Our long association with fishermen," Paul says, "has put us in an almost unique position where we have a special understanding of British fishermen and the means and knowledge to meet their specific needs."

In real terms that means the Mission, as an entity, is constantly changing to meet these new demands. Mission centres in some ports, where fishing has significantly declined, are closing whilst new centres are being opened elsewhere. (Examples of these are Northern Ireland and Plymouth.) Still other branches or centres are in the process of being reshaped.

"Very often," Paul says, "we begin the process of opening a new mission at the express request of fishermen in the particular area."

The "Mission", as Paul refers

to the charity, receives no government aid and exists solely on the generosity of the public and commercial enterprise. "We rely on donations, voluntary gifts and legacies," he says wryly. However the Mission (a minnow among some of the larger British charities) does employ a number of professional fund-raisers whose sole function is to generate support.

Though the charity maintains a head office in London it is now represented in 96 fishing ports throughout the country, the majority of these having a part-time 'auxiliary superintendent' or 'honorary agent', who acts as a contact point between the Mission and fishermen in times of need.

There are also 19 welfare or purpose built community centres. Many of these have shower and recreational facilities (pool,

snooker and table tennis) as well as canteens. They are used by local community groups as well as fishermen.

Pastorally the Mission accepts wide-ranging responsibilities. They will find financial support in emergencies; break bad news to bereaved families; care for widows; help with children; or even just provide an ear. "Recently," Paul said, "I found myself attending an enquiry with a family simply to give moral and practical support."

Another vital service the Mission provides is that of specialist referring. "We're not social workers. And we don't always have the answers," Paul said, "but we usually know a man who does."

He professes to be, "absolutely thrilled," at the establishment of the Seamen's Centre in Stanley. "To have the support and encouragement at the highest level, and right across the board, in the Falklands is absolutely marvellous."

He explained that the catalysts for the Stanley Centre were Mike and Kirsten Hughes, both of whom have had previous experience of Mission work in UK. Further, and vital, links were provided by Stephen Palmer, Gerry Murphy and Captain Nick Barker - names very familiar to Islanders.

Paul is now keen to see the Centre become fully integrated into the social fabric of the Falklands. "Every section of the community has a part to play," he says. "My role is to introduce our methods to see if they will successfully adapt to the Falkland Islands' situation."

Outdoor pursuits for Clamshell kids



Above: The FIC bowman slips the mooring rope as cheerful Year Eight head for Clamshell bay

THE annual camping expedition to Clamshell Bay for children from the Community School has become something of a tradition that, this year, gave the students of Year Eight an opportunity to leave books and schoolrooms behind while they enjoyed the freedom of

in November!

The trip began in bright sunshine on Monday morning, a time when the students are usually grappling with the finer points of English grammar or wrestling with Archimedes' Principle, and a fast voyage, courtesy of the FIC launches, across the calm waters of Stanley Harbour.

Accompanied by FICS staff, Veronica Fowler, Rosie Hickey and Linda Burnard, as well as Leisure Centre manager, Paul Riddell, the children were kept busy pitching tents, cooking alfresco camp meals and conquering the heights of Twelve O'Clock Mountain before returning on hot and windless Wednesday.



Public Notice

THE Falkland Islands Government invites all members of the public to a reception to be held in the Stanley Town Hall on Friday 21 November 1997 from 6.30 to 8pm in honour of Sir Rex Hunt, who will be present at the reception. A good turnout is hoped for to meet Sir Rex, a staunch supporter of the Islands.

Public Notice

FALKLAND ISLANDS GOVERNMENT
MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The Falkland Islands Government is seeking to recruit for the new post of General Manager, Health Care.

This will be a challenging post as the post holder will be responsible for the operational management of all health care services in the Falkland Islands. He/She will report to and work closely with the Chief Medical Officer who is responsible for Strategic Planning and the professional oversight of Clinical Services.

The Health Services are based in the modern King Edward VII Memorial Hospital and are well funded and equipped.

The successful candidate will be expected to provide clear leadership and management, work with the Chief Medical Officer and others in developing the KEMH as a community health resource and free the senior medical staff from operational responsibilities.

The Health Service is a National Health Service funded by Government revenue and there is no division between Primary and Secondary Care, Dentistry, Social Services or Community and Public Health.

The secondary care is jointly run with the Ministry of Defence who provide the surgical team.

The post requires a graduate (or equivalent) with several years management experience at least five of which should have been in Health Care. Previous experience of Primary and Secondary Care is very important and some experience of community care is desirable.

Experience in personnel management and preparation of budgets is essential and the successful candidate must be able to motivate staff, be flexible and adaptable and fit into a small, highly trained multidisciplinary team.

Salary is in the range £29,304 to £40,000 per annum in Grade A, depending on experience and qualifications.

Interested persons should contact the Chief Medical Officer for further details. Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department, Secretariat, and completed forms should be returned to the Chairman, Senior Appointments Board, Secretariat, by 4pm on Friday, November 28, 1997.

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
128/94/DP	Mr M Luxton	Erection of a two storey dwelling at the rear of 15 Fitzroy Road, Stanley. (For the approval of detailed plans following the grant of outline permission).
134/97/PB	Gordon Forbes Construction (FI) Ltd	Extension to quarry at the Frying Pan, Fitzroy
135/97/PB	"	Retrospective application for removal of peat shed and its temporary replacement by a portacabin for use as living accommodation and the provision of off-street parking at the rear of the Warrah Guest House, Stanley.
136/97/P	Mr R Turner	Outline application for single storey dwelling to suit disabled person at 72 Davis Street, Stanley.
137/97/P	F I D C.	Construction of a dual pitched roof over existing building at Plot 37 Davis Street, Stanley.
138/97/PB	Country Western Club	Change of use from Bar to Country Western Club & Race Bar with extension to toilet block, addition of mono-pitched roof and provision of overhead telephone line, also off-street parking at the Racecourse Bar, Racecourse, Stanley.
139/97/PB	Mr R Goodwin	Conversion of peat shed to domestic garage and workshop at 27 Callaghan Road, Stanley.
140/97/PB	Seafish Chandlery Limited	Siting of 20 ft white container as storage at the Seafish Chandlery, Airport Road, Stanley.

These applications may be inspected during normal office hours at the office of the Secretary of the Planning and Building Committee, Environmental Planning Office, Malvina House Gardens, Stanley. Comments on the applications should be made in writing and should be sent to the Environmental Planning Office, PO Box 611, Stanley within ten days of the date of this notice.

The next Planning and Building Committee is due to be held on December 4, 1997 in the Liberation Room, Secretariat commencing at 1.30pm. Members of the public may attend to observe the workings of the Committee.

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6TH OF DECEMBER**

SO HURRY DON'T MISS OUT

Flint sets new mark

THERE was never any doubt that this year's Moody Brook Challenge race had to result in a new record being set, no matter what time was achieved by the winner, after the start point was moved from Whalebone Arch to the Leisure Centre. But any fears the organisers (Stanley Running Club) may have harboured that the new mark would not be worthy of the tremendous time, set by Richard 'Speedy' Thomas two years ago, were dispelled as Mark Flint, a senior RAF NCO based at Mount Pleasant who is also an international athlete of considerable repute, powered to victory in 25 minutes 33 seconds.

Although described by chief organiser, Sarah Allan, as, "six miles over a fast, flat course," the reality of moving the start point also had the effect of reducing the distance the runners had to cover by about half a mile. This obviously altered the apparently eye-popping average mile times put up by Mark from 4m 15s to a more acceptable 4m 38s.

In spite of a fairly stiff south west wind it was an enthusiastic field of no less than thirty one runners, among them nine under sixteens, that toed the line just inside the main gates of the Community School complex at around 11.30am on Sunday, November 16.

From the gun it was Mark Flint who set the pace, tracked by two more RAF athletes, Dave Green and Clive Wintrip. Trailing in their wake came a pair of local runners,

Right: Runners start off from the Community School, on the six mile Moody Brook Challenge on Sunday, November 16. Below right: Winner, Mark Flint (RAF) receives a trophy from Sarah Allan.



Peter Biggs and Tony Burnett. Behind them the field quickly settled with Tracy Porter almost inevitably heading the women's race and Marty Barnes leading the chase for the under sixteen's honours (despite wearing his anorak for the first mile or so).

By the time the leaders reached the turn round point at Moody Brook the race had become something of a procession, Mark Flint having stretched his lead to about a minute. Clive and Dave were still locked in combat another minute ahead of Tony who was ploughing a lone furrow some forty seconds ahead of Peter Biggs.

Heading back to Stanley, now with the wind at their backs, the leaders were able to stretch their



legs as they passed the runners still on their way out. Tracy had established a solid lead over her closest rivals, sister Fran Biggs and Mandy MacIver, from MPA. In the boy's event it was already obvious that, barring accidents, Marty would not be caught by second placed Evan Jones, but the real race was among the under sixteen girls with Margaret Normand, Kiasha McInnis and Claire Kilmartin all running together.

There was little change to the order on the way to the finish. Mark took the winner's trophy while Dave Green won his personal battle with Clive Wintrip, finishing ten seconds up in 28m 12s. Dave is an accomplished tri-athlete who hopes to be competing in the forthcoming Stanley Leisure Centre Swimming Gala on November 29.

Tony Burnett comfortably held on to his fourth place in 30m 15s (and was first veteran home) while Peter Biggs slipped one place to finish in sixth in a time of 33m 38s. Tracy Porter confirmed her domination of women's running in the Falklands notching a sound 35m 56s, without being pressed and she claims, without warming up.

Further back Mandy MacIver had managed to pull away from Fran Biggs, the two finishing in 40m 19s and 41m 38s respectively. That Fran is Stanley's most improved runner this year is down to the amount of hard work she has

put in over the winter, and there is little doubt it is showing dividends in her performances.

Marty Barnes duly took first place in the boy's race in a very creditable 39m 33s, some three and a half minutes up on second placed Evan Jones. Andrew Normand taking third in 46m 56s, and distinguishing himself by being the only competitor to claim he found it easier running into the wind.

Then, just when it seemed the excitement was all over, the three girls, who had run all the way as if tied together, staged a breathtaking finish, taking the tape in line abreast and providing the judges with a real headache. Eventually the decision was made. All three were given the same time of 49m 32s. Margaret Normand was given first place, Kiasha McInnis second and Claire Kilmartin third.

The weather, always a factor in the Falklands, was relatively kind and best summed up by record setter, Mark Flint. "It was hard running into the wind - but nice coming back!"

Next race in the Stanley Running Club programme is the now (in)famous Cape Pembroke Half Marathon on Sunday, December 7. This is open to walkers as well as runners. Entry forms, which must be in by Friday, November 21, are available from both Stanley Leisure Centre and the MPA Gymnasium.

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these meetings for the Falkland Islands Government

Site Surveys

Switzer Ltd. (Britsurvey) has been licensed to carry out site surveys over areas where the oil companies plan to drill. *MV L'Espoir* will be in Falklands waters at the end of November and the work is expected to continue through the summer and be completed before the Illex fishing season commences in February. *MV L'Espoir* is expected to dock at FIPASS possibly twice during the survey for crew changes. In addition to gathering data about sea-bed conditions for the oil companies, benthic samples will be collected for analysis.

One Year Metocean Survey started in June

GEOS representatives returned in early November to retrieve equipment placed in the northern trances to collect data on currents and tidal influences. They are also monitoring drifting buoys by satellite in order to understand surface current movements.

Chris Shaw from Shell and Robin Stevens of GEOS outlined the science behind metocean surveys at a public meeting in Stanley attended by 40 people and expanded on some of the early work being carried out in the North Falkland Basin.

Mrs P M Rendell
Director of Oil

PUBLIC NOTICE
INVITATION TO TENDER

The Falkland Islands Government invites tenders from suitably qualified contractors for the 'construction of a containment wall for the Fire Training area at Stanley Airport. Tender documents are available from the Secretariat upon payment of £25 deposit, refundable upon submission of a bona fide tender.

Tenders endorsed "Fire Training Area Containment Wall" should be returned to the Chairman, Tender Board, Secretariat to reach him on or before 3pm on Friday 5 December 1997.

The Falkland Islands Government reserves the right to reject any tender received.

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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

FORSALE

75 Christmas lambs available from mid November. Further details phone/fax 42001
Freehold property for sale - Excellent central location in Stanley Partly furnished, single story dwelling consisting of kitchen, livingroom, two bedrooms, bathroom, hall and two entrance lobbies, separate garage, peatshed and storage shed. Situated on approximately one eighth of an acre of land. For details and arrangements to view contact June Wade Tel 21080. **NO TIME WASTERS PLEASE.** Tenders in writing to Mrs J Wade 41 Fitzroy Road, Stanley, not later than 30th November 1997. The tenderer is not bound to accept any offer

FOR SALE BY TENDER

4 bedroomed bungalow at 11 Ian Campbell Drive, Stanley. The property has a large lounge with a front porch leading to a balcony via a patio door. Fully fitted kitchen which has completely tiled walls, fully fitted bathroom with completely tiled walls and electric shower. Spacious master bedroom with fitted wardrobes (bedroom 1) small spare room with a built in sauna (bedroom 4) the second bedroom is also spacious with a fitted wardrobe with the third bedroom adjoining. The property has an oil fired central heating system, also it is fully fenced and has a pathway to the front gate - to the rear there is a portacabin unit. The property is available with or without furniture and fixtures. Tenders in writing to Mr & Mrs M W Collier PO Box 32 Stanley or view by appointment only on 21642. The tenderers do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any tender Closing date for all tenders to be in by Friday 12th December **Falkland Supplies has for sale by Tender one Range Rover - eight years old.**

This vehicle had extensive work carried out on the Engine, amounting to £4000 back in April of this year. Five weeks later it was involved in an accident, and rolled, on the Mount Pleasant Road, causing severe damage to the vehicle.

The vehicle is offered for sale in its present condition along with a small quantity of spare parts. Persons interested in looking at the vehicle are advised to contact Falkland Supplies for an appointment because a number of items have been removed from the vehicle for security reasons and are located, along with the spare parts, in a Garage away from the vehicle.

We would consider selling the vehicle in parts or as one lot. Offers close on Monday 1st December.

Twigworth trading has for sale by tender the following items. 1. approximately 50 acre plot of land, near the Travellers Rest, near Mount Pleasant Road. Land is fully fenced.

2. 2 only interlink portacabins, middle sections, in v good condition. The land and cabins could be sold as one lot or separate. details and viewing contact Falkland supplies: 21297 or contact P Short. Tenders close Fri, 28 Nov

FORSALE

1) Bedford Lorry with tipper. Full working order. Engine low mileage, good condition. Contact Dave Eynon on 21144/21145

2) Yamaha outboard motors 40 H.P. (Hi tech range) both outboards are long shaft, oil injection, manual start, remote control. Condition v good both outboards serviced and regularly flushed with fresh water. Would sell as TWIN INSTALLATION or as SINGLE UNIT. PRICE £1600 each or nearest offer. Contact Dave Eynon on 21144/45

Brother Knitting machine and ribber with various attachments in good condition. Hague hand linker model D10. Contact Carol Eynon 21144/21145

One 2 1/4 litre petrol S3 Land Rover LWB. In working condition £850 ONO. One multimedia Pentium PC. 75Mhz. 8mb RAM. CD-ROM. Fax/modem and software £950 ONO. Call John Tel: 22303

1 Round Bedside Table with blue frilled cloth £25. 2 Montana Baltic Dining chairs new £65 each. 1 Philips sunbed £300. 1 Plant stand £25. 1 Cane arm chair £65. 1 Rayburn Supreme stove - burns peat, diesel, or kerosene C£1200. 1 Deville Room Heater burns diesel or kerosene £375 Tel Jane on 21105

1 DR 350 Suzuki Trials Bike with a selection of spares asking price £1800. All inquiries to Mark Tel:- 21105

NOTICES

FIDF Christmas Party

Friday 5 December 1997
Tickets at £10 each can be purchased from the FIDF Office before Monday 24 November 1997
STANLEY GOLF CLUB NEWS
During Bernard Gallacher's visit to the Falklands, the following competitions have been arranged:- First of all at Stanley Golf Club, an 18 holes medal will be held this Saturday 22 November - please arrive at 10.30am for an 11.00 am tee off. There will be refreshments after the game.

Secondly, on Sunday 23 November, the President's Bowl will be played for at Goose Green. Tee off time will be 10.00am (9.00am Camp time). This will be a stableford competition with again refreshments afterwards.

Finally, on Thursday 27 November, there will be a 9 hole competition at Stanley with tee off time between 4.00 - 5.00 pm. This will be followed by a BBQ and a talk by Bernard of his golfing experiences at the top level with particular reference to the Ryder Cup.

Camping can be a great way to see the Falklands. Why not take the family and friends away for the weekend this summer? **Hebe Tours** have available for hire on a daily basis: Tents 1, 2 & 3 man
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PERSONAL



To Codey - Happy 1st Birthday for Sunday. With lots of love from Mummy and Daddy and J2



For my other favourite niece on her 24th birthday on the 25th

We would like to thank everyone who assisted in the safe arrival of Philip Richard, especially Dr Tom Omara-Botto and the surgical team. Thanks also to all the staff in the KEMH who looked after Loreto and Phillip so well and to all those who sent gifts, cards and greetings. A special thank you to Jackie Earnshaw for all her help, kindness, good humour and for generally putting up with us.
Loreto and Gavin Short

Muchas Felicidades a la familia: Mora - Munos en especial a los abuelitos Raquel y Ricardo Ya que ha llegado al mundo un nuevo Nieto, Sobrino y Primo
Phillip Richard Short
Carinos de los Padres Chochos Loreto y Gavin

To Balders, David & Loo I.S.I.S working well. Thanks for all your help.
Regards Dilly

Go
Clodagh Erin Gergia ó Sionaid
A cead míle beannachtaí le 20 samhain. Tá tú mo H'iníon go halainn deas. Tá a fhios agam, níl beidh agam leat anois. Tá mo croí ag bristeach, mar tá tú cois mo croí agus mo beatha. Tá mé ag smaoinéamh ar tusa i gcoitaí. Beidh mé anseo i gcónaí agus beidh mé leat agus do deirfiur Roisin deas go luath.

As do hathair agus do deirfiur agus do clann i loch gorman, a cead míle póg.

Postscript - from The Cathedral

...if you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved" (Romans 10:9)

There are many things about which Christians may disagree — as long as we disagree without being disagreeable! There are two things, however, about which there should be no disagreement: the authority of the Bible, and the Person of Christ. Take first the Person of Jesus Christ. One great preacher said: "Christianity is Christ." To be a Christian means accepting Him as Saviour, as Lord, and as the second Person of the Trinity. Anyone who denies this truth cannot be a Christian. The second belief to which every Christian should subscribe is the authority of the Bible. If we do not believe its truths, bring ourselves under its authority, and obey its commands we cannot call ourselves Christians. We may describe ourselves as moral, or respectable, but we cannot call ourselves Christian.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, we know we must be tolerant, understanding and respectful of other people's beliefs, but never let us become so tolerant that our convictions are compromised. In Jesus' Name we pray Amen.

PERSONAL

THANK YOU!

To all those who - direct or indirectly, have shown care and concern about Pilar's health, as well as to those who simply decided not to show their genuine thoughtfulness, although I am sure it has been equally there. The unreservedly warm and sincere support brought quite some rewarding relief and soothed our grief, becoming a real pillar to this family.

Finally, I believe you have understood the obvious reasons why I would not respond immediately in return to the various inquiries. I wish each and every one of you the best of health - the most valuable possession in life. Thank you indeed! Antonio

VACANCIES

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NOTICE A clearance of the two storage areas of hardstanding to the south of FIPASS is to take place shortly. Any organisation or person having any property situated thereon should contact the FIPASS Manager or arrange for the removal of the property within 21 days of this notice. Unclaimed property will be disposed of.

School Holidays begin on Tuesday December 9th

I am offering for children up to the age of 10, a child minding service with various supervised activities, ie - organised sport - swimming - visits to the park and Surf Bay. Numbers are limited. Phone 21851 for details

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End of the road for ABC

THE future of the Argentine-British conferences, which since the mid-1980's have sought ties between the two countries and the

Shortage of administrative expertise imminent in Stanley

THAT the imminent advent of oil exploration could spark a shortage of administration expertise in the Islands, is the conclusion of a number of businessmen in the private sector as well as government officials.

Though some of the more senior management posts, created by the news that the logistics contract has been awarded to Stanley-CSM, will be filled from overseas, others will attract workers already in the local market. As FIG are currently struggling to fill a number of civil service jobs, concerns are growing.

Chief Executive, Andrew Gurr, told *Penguin News* this week that as of November 20 Government were seeking to fill no less than 81 job vacancies, many of which are office based.

The vacancies are spread across many government departments with PWD claiming the majority - 23 - ranging from apprentice mechanics to quarry workers to a design technician draftsman, as well as seven handymen/plant operators.

The Medical department have seven vacancies; FIGAS, six; Fisheries five; Agriculture seven; FIDP two; the Secretariat five.

A number of the 81 job vacancies are, in fact, part time, including a requirement for twenty retained firemen in the fire department, eight casual domestic staff for Government House, and a further five Special Constables for the Police Department.

Twenty eight of the jobs have already been advertised, others will be in the coming weeks.

Falkland Islands, is being considered, and, according to a key organiser (reports Graham Bound) it is almost certain that there will be no more of the events.

According to Alisdair Forsyth, a key member of the South Atlantic Council, the Argentine British conferences which have taken place approximately every two years, have served their purpose, and are no longer necessary.

Forsyth told the Merco Press correspondent that, "the general perception among delegates to the conference a year ago in the Argentine city of Salta was that the job was done."

Now that normal trading and diplomatic links have been re-established, there is, said Forsyth, no longer a crisis. He said that the

conferences, the venues for which alternated between Argentina and Britain, had succeeded in establishing a dialogue between two nations which in the immediate aftermath of the Falklands' war had been highly suspicious of each other, and had even, "succeeded in bringing Islanders to the discussions."

But, said Forsyth, even if the South Atlantic Council in London and their co-organisers in Buenos Aires, The *Consejo Argentino de Relaciones Internacionales*, wished to carry on with the meetings, the commercial sponsors, who have paid for hundreds of air fares and hotel bills making the six conferences possible, would be unlikely to maintain their support.

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News in brief

Peers to visit

MEMBERS of the House of Lords, Baroness Hooper and Lord Montgomery, will be visiting the Islands this month. Baroness Hooper between December 6-13, and Lord Montgomery between December 4-10.

The two peers, who have been invited to the Islands by Falklands' Legislative Councillors will fulfil a busy schedule, including meetings with a number of heads of government departments, Camp visits, various tours and a meeting with Councillors.

Baroness Hooper, who had expressed a wish to visit the Islands, is an influential member of the House of Lords and was involved in the recent debate on the dependent territories. She is also a patron of the GAP Association.

Lord Montgomery is also an influential peer, who speaks often in the House on the subject of Latin American politics. He is the alternate Chair for the Argentine/British Conferences and he too in the past expressed a wish to visit the Islands.

Stanley youth charged with assault

A SEVENTEEN year old youth was remanded in custody at a specially convened youth court in Stanley on Wednesday, November 26, after police charged him with assault leading to actual bodily harm.

The youth will appear in court on Friday, November 28 after Senior Magistrate, David Jeremiah, refused to grant him bail.

A cinema of sorts

Do you want to contribute to a cinema with a difference? Let John Birmingham know if you have any old films, projectors (or relevant spares) of the type used particularly in Camp settlements in the past.

Shackleton Fund brings Gallacher to Falklands

Right: FICS pupil, and golfer, Karl

Nightingale, attempts a swing under

the expert eye of Ex Ryder Cup Captain, Bernard

Gallacher at the Stanley Golf Course

on Friday, November 21.

His visit was made possible by the

Shackleton Fund and Mr Gallacher, accompanied by Sir Rex

Hunt, has been encouraging golfers throughout

East and West Falklands. Interview next week





WHILE there are probably innumerable individual methods used by employees of the world to help kick-start themselves into their working day, caffeine and nicotine being among the most frequently used, we are treated in this office to a handy rush of adrenaline as a result of the early morning, faxed arrival of media stories about the Falklands. And, if our 'not entirely objective' responses to the frequent inaccuracies or contemptuous tones in many of the articles are often pointless in terms of actually constructing *Penguin News* itself, they can be useful in assisting us face the day with at least some measure of nervous energy.

This being the case then, we probably have reason to thank *La Nacion* journalist, Elizabetha Pique, for any increased vigour in our attitude to work recently, stimulated by the unmistakably resentful stance adopted by the lady in at least two of her reports from the Islands this week (during her visit over the period of the Argentine next-of-kin visit).

While all Islanders questioned by the Argentine media and our representatives alike took pains to make it clear that they viewed the humanitarian visits as not only acceptable, but unquestionable, Ms. Pique appeared unable to control her irritation at the un-newsworthiness of this attitude, and rather irresponsibly proceeded to create the impression in her article that not only are we putting gruesome pressure on relatives to ship the bodies of their loved ones back to Argentina as quickly as possible, but will in the future refuse to allow them to visit unless they fly via a commercial airline.

If this were not enough, her later article describing the Islands' healthy economic situation, although accurate in the portrayal of facts and figures, was written in a way apparently aimed at fueling Argentine envy and resentment of Islanders and their way of life. And while I grudgingly accept that it must be difficult for Argentine visitors not to feel some degree of irritation when witnessing this community functioning disturbingly well without interference from their compatriots, I would suggest (with respect to the former article) that it would be helpful to Argentine journalists who wish to return to the source of their subject in the future, to attempt to write the whole truth.

In fact, it may be a helpful exercise for the authorities in the Falklands who allow the visits of foreign reporters, to bear in mind which journalists have been unable to resist indulging in 'artistic licence' to an unjustifiably damaging extent, with the consequence of encouraging them not to seek future invitations to the Islands.



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A great tasting, easy to cook fish
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**Mero Lomos (neck fillet) in breadcrumbs and
Parmesan cheese**
(From Sheena & Martin's kitchen)

Cut the Mero into chunks approximately 4" x 2" x 1".
Coat the Mero chunks in beaten egg before coating them in
a mixture of approximately 40% grated Parmesan cheese
and 60% breadcrumbs.
Pan fry quickly in butter.
Serve immediately.

With the fillets, please be sure to serve immediately after
cooking as if they are kept warm in the oven
for any length of time

Your letters

A more insidious pollution

DURING the 1993 election at the public meeting of candidates, the loan, or grant, by the government to Peter Symonds College was brought up, and someone in the audience mentioned that some of the pupils were concerned about being offered drugs there. I suggested that strings could be attached to this loan, i.e. that the college did something about this before being given the loan. One candidate (who I think may have been elected) said that as drugs were endemic in UK schools this would not be fair. I found this a rather perturbing view to take.

What worries me further is the recent sentence given to a drug importer. At the last election the subject of drugs and their importation was again mentioned, and sniffer dogs were suggested. The use of these dogs had been turned down by the previous council, a decision supported in general by the other candidates, one saying that the use of sniffer dogs would create panic in the outside world that the Falklands had a drug problem. I believe I was the only candidate to advocate the use of dogs and to have a more vigorous detection programme.

There is no doubt that drugs (maybe at the moment just in limited quantities) are being brought into the Islands and not just cannabis. I defy anyone in the Police, Immigration, Council or Administration to state categorically that drugs are not here and not being brought in regularly. And can anyone in authority say what methods are in place to detect and discover

'Falklands' welcome' an example to everybody

(Copy of letter written to Miss Jenny Luxton, Councillors Office)
I AM writing to thank you most sincerely for the kind and warm way in which you escorted us around the Islands on our Parliamentary visit last week. Everything went smoothly, and I am grateful to you for the way that you managed to accommodate our various requests as the programme progressed.

It was a visit that will remain with me forever, and I shall certainly use the experience and the messages gained whenever the opportunity arises. The welcome which we all received from the Councillors and ordinary individuals in the Islands is an example to everybody, and I hope that you will extend my thanks to all with whom we came in contact.

James Paice M.P.
House of Commons
London SW1A 0AA

importation?

Reading the recent report on the court case, the actual finding of the drugs would appear to have been quite accidental, or a 'tip off' from say UK; so how many more are not caught? And especially on flights from South America or ships.

Maybe our Customs and Police are trained in the detection of drugs, which is doubtful, but what facilities do they have?

The recent so called punishment meted out seems to give a clear message to drug importers that they do not have to worry if they get caught. If they plead weak minds, a girlfriend with a daughter to support and have to pay £200/300 per month out of a poverty salary of £3000 per month, all they will get is a very small fine and sent home.

So what is the message to give the world? We have sniffer dogs so we must have a major drug problem? Or we have no drugs problem so we can afford to treat drug importers as naughty little boys, stop their pocket money for a few days and send them back to mummy.

Wake up you people in authority and give the Customs and Police some real backing to stop this problem before it gets completely out of hand. Stop thinking about possible pollution by oil (or some of the favoured few making millions) and concentrate your collective brains on a more insidious pollution.

Ben Claxton
Stanley

What will El Niño mean to us?

EL Niño is much in the news these days, seemingly responsible for every unusual weather event occurring all over the planet. The Americans predict that the current *El Niño* will be the most powerful one so far this century. There has been some speculation as to the possible effect on the local weather. It might be interesting if the Met office could look back into the local records for the previous most powerful *El Niño*, the southern summer 1982/83. My recollection was that it was particularly sunny with big high pressure systems bogged over Brazil pushing the South Atlantic lows to the south of the Islands. Maybe I'm wrong.

Whatever, my prediction is a hose pipe ban in Stanley sometime in March 98!

Mike Harris
Stanley

Write to Ross Road, Stanley, Falkland Islands

Falkland Islands Exhibition soldiers on in Croydon

Extract from a letter to *Penguin News* from Geoff Moir.

WE have only just completed yet another major Exhibition on the Falkland Islands, and I am now engrossed in the unenviable task of clearing up and catching up on all the things which have accumulated on my desk during that more than demanding fortnight.

I do wonder at times if folk down there do understand there are still many of us in the UK who are doing all they can to tell people about the Falkland Islands, their way of life, their history and the wildlife. This exhibition was the tenth successive year that the Falkland Islands Agency has staged this major exhibition in Croydon, and it is still drawing large numbers of people from all over the country to see it, and perhaps, purchase some of the magnificent wool and woollen garments available. We are booked in again for 1998, and have a provisional reservation also for 1999. Equally as much, it is a possibility that we might 'spread our wings' a little further for we have been invited to take the exhibition

to some other major cities in the UK.

My part in this demanding event is to stage a wide ranging philatelic display, and this year I used the theme of "My life on a Falklands Sheep Farm." For I lived at Fox Bay West for four most happy years, and this display brought back so many pleasant memories. Now we are fast coming to the end of another year, and despite having spent the first three months at home recuperating from a hip replacement operation, I have still managed to give a further seventy plus lectures and philatelic displays all over the country, maintaining my annual average of about 100. I too look forward to 1998, for I already have sixty or more engagements booked.

Thus I hope you will understand there are many of us who are still working as hard as we can on behalf of the Islands, and hope we may be spared to continue for many years to come.

Geoff Moir
Croydon, Surrey

Commitment to Falklands not idly made says Earl of Northesk

In a letter to Ms Jenny Luxton thanking her for her invaluable contribution to the recent visit by Members of Parliament, The Earl of Northesk, included the following message.

REST assured that my commitment at the press conference was not idly made. In this I would hope to be able to initiate a general debate on the Falklands in this House

in the not too distant future, perhaps even before Christmas. That said, it seems sensible to wait until Baroness Hooper and Viscount Montgomery have returned from their visit in order that they also have the opportunity to contribute.

Once again, very many thanks
David Northesk
Earl of Northesk

Diary date November 29

Leisure Centre swimming gala

THE annual Stanley Leisure Centre swimming gala will take place on Saturday, November 29. The gala starts at 10am and prize giving, it is hoped, will begin between 12 and 1pm.

This year's gala is sponsored by the Standard Chartered Bank, and the Leisure Centre, through *Penguin News*, would like to publicly thank Mr Keith Biles for his continued support in purchasing the medals for the gala.

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Forsyth, who was recently in Buenos Aires with two fellow members of the South Atlantic Council to discuss the future of the ABC with CARI officials, said that the British group now hopes to replace the conferences with a series of "more focused" one-day meetings, at which experts will brief other interested people on the often complex details of issues that continue to affect relations. He said that at the Salta meeting last October there had been an obvious lack of specific technical knowledge in such areas as oil exploration and fishing. The "Falklands Up-dates," as the meetings are to be called, could rectify this.

The first Falklands Up-date will take place in London during February 1998, possibly within a few days of the Dependent Territories Conference which will be sponsored by the Falkland Islands Government.

GH tea aids Cancer Awareness Trust



Top: Stall holders Christine Hewitt and Abby Heathman.
Below: Sarah Davies and Chelsea Parsons entertain partygoers.



CANCER Awareness Trustee, Mrs Theresa Lang, declared the fundraising tea, held at Government House last Saturday, "a complete success."

£438.43 was raised from stalls and the 100 tickets sold, and these funds, said Theresa, will be in the first place used to buy another set of Cancer Awareness books for the service people and their families at Mount Pleasant Airport. Any remaining money will buy the £10 telephone cards offered to Cancer

patients referred to Britain, and possibly another syringe pump for the hospital.

The Trustees asked that their grateful thanks be passed to all those who helped out with the event, those who attended, and in particular BFBS and FIBS for their time in publicising Cancer Awareness Week.

Theresa hoped that the general public now felt more aware of the disease as a result of the publicised information last week.

Although the audience will be dominated by the British, CARI is being invited to nominate a few Argentine experts to attend and speak. However Forsyth stressed that, unlike the ABC where there were some times bitter nationalistic arguments, speakers at the new-style meetings will be required to be totally objective, avoiding the expression of any political feelings. "The whole purpose is to be balanced and informative," he said. "They will not be debating sessions."

Although CARI is still to confirm its agreement that the ABC's should be wound up and replaced with the less ambitious Up-dates, the British hope that the Argentines will give the plan their approval, and then move on to organise their own similar events (no doubt to be called the Malvinas Up-dates). The British further hope that they will invite a small number of British experts.

Although only lasting one day, compared to the three days of the ABC meetings, attendance will be higher. Forsyth explained that he expects around 100 people to attend the February event. (MP)

Black and white and colour photographs, by Ian, of wildlife and landscapes and a number of portraits of people around the world will also be shown.

Ian Strange to exhibit in BA

A NUMBER of natural history watercolours, and limited edition prints by local artist and photographer, Ian Strange, are presently being exhibited in a large cultural centre in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

The exhibition of Ian's work opened on November 20 and will run until December 14.

Black and white and colour photographs, by Ian, of wildlife and landscapes and a number of portraits of people around the world will also be shown.

Sex and drugs and in control

By Vet, Andrew Coe

PROCREATION is a powerful force amongst our otherwise pliant pets, and in order to make them more socially acceptable we've had to come up with ways and means to control their natural urges... sometimes for their good as well as our own. So lets begin by asking you the question. What do you know about your dog's sexuality?

Male dogs usually reach puberty at around seven to ten months of age, but don't worry, they don't get spotty faced, talk to you in monosyllables or develop a fascination for motorbikes and beer. The first thing you'll probably notice is that they start to pee sideways by cocking a leg instead of squatting like a bitch and they frequently develop an overfamiliarity with cushions and the legs of distinguished visitors to the house.

Whilst you may find this somewhat embarrassing (or hilarious, depending on who the visitor is) spare a moment's thought for your guest who, taken unawares, is never quite sure just how hard they should try to shake 'Timmy' off without offending you, the host, yet at the same time preserving some semblance of dignity for themselves.

Although most dogs grow out

of this cute little trick, some, for reasons that are beyond me, seem to get hooked on it, and for them I'm afraid the best cure is rather more radical than the traditional cold shower. Castration (vasectomy is for wimps) removes the production of the offending hormones and Timmy usually settles down into the impeccably behaved (sexually speaking that is) pet so beloved of Enid Blyton novels.

As a cure for over aggressive dogs, however, castration is far less of an answer, and although I would usually recommend trying it as a last resort, the results are not usually very encouraging. It appears that dogs that get a kick out of attacking other dogs, or even people, do so for reasons unrelated to sex.

Some people recommend castrating all male dogs intended to be kept as pets. I don't concur with this view but am happy to admit that personal empathies may have somewhat clouded my judgement. Female vets might have a more balanced opinion but then again they might well not!

Bitches mature and come in heat, or season, between eight and fifteen months of age depending

on the breed. The first signs are swelling and bleeding from the vulva and, in Britain at any rate, a male dominated fan club of assorted ugly mongrels camped out on your front lawn. NB. Garden hoses, buckets of water, heavy projectiles and irrational screaming usually bring only temporary relief to this problem but they can make you feel a whole lot better and may help fend off the need to seek comfort from a pet sexuality awareness group.

The bitch in the meantime changes from an adorable, faithful and totally trustworthy companion into a rampant nymphomaniac escapologist who sees every door or window left slightly ajar as an invitation to party. If you do manage to keep her shut in you'll need ear plugs to cope with her whining inside the house, and the neighbours will need them to cope with the howling from the wolf pack outside.

It is also handy to have a 'Relate' counsellor on hand to mediate in the argument that inevitably ensues between you and your spouse as to who inadvertently let 'Tess' escape. And when you do find her with her suitor looking for all the world like an eight legged 'push-me pull-you' in full view of the neighbours, please just draw the curtains, pour yourself a stiff, sorry, strong drink and accept defeat at that point because there is nothing you can do to separate them until nature has taken its course.

All is not totally lost however. Whilst there is no such thing as the morning after pill, there is the morning after injection, which, if given within four days of mating is pretty good at preventing pregnancy. It will prolong the heat however and some bitches develop a nasty womb infection as a result, necessitating a hysterectomy.

Bitches are usually in season for a three week period every five

to seven months. Providing you enjoy spending approximately 15% of your life in a high security prison with a derailed inmate I would say 'go ahead'.

If on the other hand you prefer a rather more orthodox lifestyle where doors can be opened fully in order to leave the house, you can choose between two options. Firstly, you can have her spayed, or neutered, which means a hysterectomy with the additional removal of the ovaries. From then on she can't have pups, will never come into season and will never again flutter an eyelid at a canine pal even in jest. Rest assured that HRT will be quite unnecessary. I would opt for spaying her at six months old, before she ever comes in season, as this greatly reduces the chances of her developing mammary tumours in later life.

The second option which still allows you to breed from her at a later stage is to give her hormone injections at regular intervals every few months. This stops her coming into season but she'll start to cycle again once the injections are withdrawn. The main drawback to this approach is that some bitches develop the aforementioned womb infection.

So there you have it, the ways and means of keeping you in control of your dog's sex life and avoiding unwanted pups. Give us a call if you want to discuss it further or if there's anything you don't understand.

On a totally unconnected issue, the other day someone expressed concern about having seen a dog left in a car in the bright sunlight. Cars turn into ovens on summer days and every year in Britain dogs die as a result.

It is simply not sufficient to leave the windows open an inch or two, far better to leave the dog at home. Remember, hot dogs are things to eat at the races, not things to be found in cars.

Public Notice

THE Falkland Islands Government invites applications for the posts of Travelling Teacher and Radio/Telephone Teacher to teach individual or small groups of children aged mostly between four and twelve on farms around the Islands.

Applicants must be qualified teachers with a degree. As both teachers will be based outside Stanley, the posts can be very demanding and require the social and professional skills to work without immediate supervision. The Travelling teacher post is probably most suited to a single primary trained teacher. It is envisaged that the Radio/Telephone Teacher will be based in either Fox Bay or North Arm. The Travelling Teacher will be required to live with and support

the families of his/her pupils.

Both Teachers may be required to teach in the Stanley schools from time to time, contribute to workshops and provide support in a subject area.

Salary will fall within the range £16,812 to £23,364 per annum depending on experience.

Further details may be obtained from the Camp Education Supervisor on telephone 27118 during normal working hours.

Applications and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department, Secretariat and completed forms should be returned to the Chairman, Senior Appointments Board, Secretariat, by 4pm on Wednesday, December 10, 1997.

Late letters

Why councillors?

I HAVE a question I would like to ask concerning the Chief Executive's response to reader's letters in your issue dated October 31.

In his letter Mr Gurr states: *Whether we like having Argentine soldiers buried in the Islands or not, the presence of the war cemetery imposes on us at least a moral responsibility to maintain the access track in reasonable repair. The cemetery is visited not just by parties of Argentine next of kin every now and then, but frequently by members of HM Forces and other visitors to the Islands. A bad approach road will inevitably reflect badly on us as a government and as a community.*

Thus, Councillors decided during Budget Select Committee to do something about the track, though not with the highest priority. However, with another visit by Argentine relatives due in November, HE The Governor asked if the track could be made passable sooner rather than later, and I issued an instruction accordingly. This will cause a slight delay in the work on the North Camp track, but I hope Islanders will understand the reason.

My question is simply this: If what the Chief executive says is true, why, then, do we have Councillors?

Keith Whitney

Programmes not 'live'

BFBS have done, and are still doing, a wonderful job bringing radio and television into the Islands, and I support them wholeheartedly in the continuing improvements they are making to the services they provide.

However, I must take issue with them on one small but, I feel, vital point, and that is the use of the word "live" in relation to the programmes to be broadcast from December 1. My understanding of "live" broadcasting is that the sig-

nal goes out as the event is happening.

That is not what is going to happen with the BFBS programme schedules. The signal will be taken from UK and recorded onto a hard disk before being re-broadcast several hours later to take into account the difference between our time zone and that of the UK. The programmes are, therefore not "live" but recorded.

Joe Booth Stanley

Radio Update

ON December 1st the MW frequency becomes a dedicated BFBS 2 channel, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, enabling listeners who prefer the more serious and sedate side of broadcasting to received classical music programmes, comedy, short stories, a mixture of Radio Four, Radio Five and World Service news, Sport and information.

Woman's Hour, for example, is available every weekday morning, live, from the UK at 0700 local time BBC Radio Four's PM programme is on daily at 1400, followed by the main news of the day at 1500. All Radio Five's sports and news coverage will be there too, starting in the afternoon and going right through the night with no break.

For Archers fans, a slight change of daily playout time from 1215 to 1345, with a repeat on the FM network

during the FIBS evening show from 1700; and the omnibus edition returns on Sunday mornings from 1700.

On the FM network there will be news on the hour every hour. The FIBS morning show is extended to 1230 daily, allowing more local information and announcements than ever before, with non-stop music output as an alternative to BFBS 2 Islandwide.

These programme changes on FM and MW are designed to offer a wider choice to a very diverse audience Islandwide...something for the young and not so young, music listeners and news addicts, sports followers and those of us who like the local input.

News, Sport, international and local information, music and chat...something for everyone at the touch of a button...BFBS1 and 2 plus FIBS keeping you in touch and informed 24 hours a day.

Public Notice

APPLICATIONS are invited to fill the immediate vacancy of Caretaker/Head Cleaner in the Falkland Islands Community School.

The successful applicant will be responsible for the general upkeep and cleanliness of the Community School and Leisure Centre and to ensure that the buildings are secure at the end of each day. Applicants should be willing to work unsocial hours and perform outside duties in all weathers as well as be able to work unsupervised.

This is a full time position and salary is payable in Grade G ranging from £10,176 to £12,720 per annum.

Further information is available from the Falkland Islands Community School. Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department, and completed forms should be returned to that department no later than 4pm on Wednesday, December 3, 1997.



Penguin Profile: 7
From Mike Bingham,
Environmental Research Unit

Penguins v oil

PREVIOUS question: "In what year did around 40,000 penguins die from oil pollution along the coast of Argentina?"

The answer is every year. (The figure is determined by counts of dead penguins washed up on the shore that are coated in oil.) These deaths do not result from accidental oil spillage, of which there have been very few, but from the deliberate discharge of oily ballast water into the open ocean by oil tankers, in order to save money.

This is not a problem unique to Argentina, in fact it occurs virtually everywhere that oil tankers operate. Governments have no legal control over the way that oil tankers operate in their 200 mile waters, and we have already heard at a recent public meeting that the same situation exists in Falkland waters. Oil tankers are only governed by the country in which they were registered, and such tankers are therefore registered in countries that will turn a blind eye to bad operating practices.

Tankers are designed to sail fully laden with oil, and hence when they are returning empty to

collect more oil, they are too buoyant and highly unstable. Tankers overcome this problem by filling their empty tanks with sea-water, but this must be discharged prior to loading with fresh oil. This water can be discharged after docking, where oil mixed with the water is removed to prevent pollution, but all this costs time, and hence money. To save time, many tankers dump this oily ballast water at sea, a few miles before reaching the dock, so that they can reload with oil more rapidly.

This is illegal of course, but the Falkland Islands government, for example, could only prosecute if the tanker was registered in the Falkland Islands, which is unlikely. With no realistic means of enforcement, it is certain that tankers will continue to dump the oily water at sea to save money. This means the unnecessary death of thousands of penguins wherever they happen to live in the vicinity of an oil industry.

And now a question: Do penguins hunt primarily by sight, sound, or touch? Answer in Penguin Profile: 8.

Diary date.. December 9

Sealion research lecture

FOR the last three years Italian scientists from Milan and Rome Universities have been carrying out detailed research on elephant seals on Sea Lion Island.

Those who have visited the Island may well have noticed the tags on individual seals and in some cases names sprayed on them in hair dye.

Some fascinating conclusions are being reached by this team, and Dr Filippo Galimberti, who has been heading up the research, has kindly agreed to make a public presentation on the work that has been done on Sea Lion Island, on Tuesday December 9 at 5.00pm in the Geography Room at the Community School.

In a press release the Chief Executive noted that the presentation promised to be most interesting, and there would be a time for ques-

tions afterwards.

A STATEMENT to Her Majesty The Queen and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh was recently sent by the HE the Governor, Mr Ralph on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

The statement comprised the following: On behalf of the Government and people of the Falkland Islands, as well as of members of Her Majesty's Forces serving in the South Atlantic, I should be grateful if warmest and most affectionate congratulations could be extended to Her Majesty the Queen and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh on the golden anniversary of their marriage.

Crabby councillors and a ghost called Ollie

Jackie Cotter talks to Phil Middleton about FICS work experience, and describes her week at Penguin News

I WROTE to a number of places about work experience, not expecting that many would have me. I certainly didn't expect to get the job at Penguin News, as they had probably heard the rumours, and there was a large number of people going for the job there... but surprisingly I got it!

I arrived on Monday and was immediately whisked out to the court and council chamber to report on a drugs case. I then spent the afternoon typing and doing other chores. Tuesday started well, but after a time the telephone and fax began to get on my nerves a little. At home I get really excited if the fax rings, but it gets a bit annoying if you get seven a day and the phone doesn't stop ringing. I soon began to dread picking up the

phone in fear of crabby councillors or raging readers. My day continued with some typing up of news faxes about the *Endurance*.

When Fran arrived I was taken to a small, chilly room, which I was told was the dark room. When the lights were turned off I immediately remembered the stories the Penguin News staff had 'kindly' told me about the resident ghost called Ollie. I managed to roll a film faster on to the reel than Fran (probably because I wanted to escape without meeting the ghost!) but it was definitely a fluke, as it did not happen again as quickly all week.

Wednesday was quiet until about ten thirty, when a certain geography teacher put his head around the door

and proceeded to terrorise the Penguin News team for about ten minutes. The rest of the week was also relatively uneventful except for a trip to Mount Pleasant to photograph the arrival of the Argentine next-of-kin.

To become a Falklands 'newshound' you have to have a great sense of humour (and the ability to understand Tony's jokes); a falling apart vehicle, which must be able to go and has an engine which sounds like an Islander Aircraft, and a lot of patience when phones constantly ring, and computers shut down unexpectedly.

On behalf of year ten, I would like to say thanks to employers for putting up with us, even if we can't make tea.



Top: Karl Tapper spends a week with the Fire Department. Below: Ailie Biggs helps out at the Infant/Junior School. Photographs: Jackie Cotter.



Mr Middleton: Yes, we have placements in: Conservation; The Road Gang; Fisheries; K.E.M.H. Secretariat; F.I.C. Warehouse; Penguin News; Leisure Centre; Central Stores; F.I.G.A.S. Government House Gardens; Fire and Rescue; Malvina; Upland Goose; Agricultural; Design Office; F.I.D.C. Cable and Wireless; Post Office; Number One Electrical; M.P.A. in the gym; Nursery School; L.M.W. in the office and on the work site; Customs; Choice Fruits and the Infant Junior School.

Jackie: Do you feel students were happy with their positions?

Mr Middleton: The majority, yes. The majority got their first or second choice, but I ended up having to place four on the last day so there were some disappointments.

The idea of work experience is to show students who are about to leave school what it is like to get a job and how to go about getting one; there are letters to be completed and delivered, and interviews to be attended. To find out more I spoke to Mr Philip Middleton who organised the work experience week.

Jackie: How did you encourage people to offer jobs?

Mr Middleton: Every year I write to as many employers that I can think of that are possibly going to offer jobs, so I start with literally the phone book and I go through all the government departments and then go through as many private individuals as I think can offer jobs. The number is about seventy. Then I put in a general letter of what I want them to do, they then say yes they would like to take someone on, or not this year.

Jackie: Was there a bigger response in job positions this year rather than last year?

Mr Middleton: Generally it's about the same, we usually get an offer of about anywhere between forty-five and fifty vacancies. The difference comes on the number of students there are in the class this year. There were about thirty, last year there were less, so it appeared that there was more choice. It's not the job that changes it's the people that apply for those jobs that makes the difference.

Jackie: Everybody had to write a formal letter, how did this go?

Mr Middleton: We suggest everyone writes at least two letters, some people only wrote one and had to be placed at the end of the day, some people went to the other extreme and wrote six and had a choice of two or three jobs. Like all these exercises those who take it seriously find it very easy and write a very good letter and there is no problem. Those who think it's all a bit of a laugh and don't really take it seriously always have staff chasing them for letters.

Jackie: Could you name some of the places people went to?

Executive Council Meeting, Thursday, November 20 1997

Penguin News are grateful to H E The Governor for this summary

GIVEN the length of the agenda, the ExCo meeting which took place on Thursday 20 November ought to have run on well into the evening, but in fact, completely against expectation, was over in record time. We finished before lunch. Every member of ExCo - official and elected - was present. In case any reminder is needed, the elected members of ExCo this year are Sharon Halford, Richard Cockwell and Lewis Clifton. The following account of our deliberations does not follow the order in which we dealt with particular items on the agenda. Rather, I have grouped subjects together by theme, and not necessarily in order of intrinsic importance.

Oil

Starting with oil, we took note of the usual monthly progress report by Phyllis Rendell, the main features of which were the award to Stanley

Services/CSM, the Stanley based joint venture company, of the contract to provide on-shore logistic support from Stanley for the forthcoming oil exploration activity; the submission by the oil companies of a drilling environmental impact assessment, which will be published in the Gazette for any comments within 42 days from publication, the appointment of Professor Alasdair McIntyre, of Aberdeen University, to chair our new Falklands Islands Environmental Forum, the next meeting of which will take place in Stanley on 11 December, and progress over a major seabird and cetacean monitoring programme, with the very welcome financial backing of the oil companies. ExCo also approved an omnibus set of Orders on various aspects of off-shore Health and Safety, to come into force on 1 January 1998. These will equip us with state of the art health and safety measures which, in turn, should do a great deal to prevent ac-

cidents and consequential environmental damage.

Fisheries

As for fisheries, ExCo reacted to the poor loligo catches this past season by approving some proposals by the Director of Fisheries for exploratory loligo fishing throughout the year, including during the off-season, which we hope will provide fuller data on exactly what is happening out there. This experimental fishing will be tightly controlled, and stopped at once if it is considered to be doing more harm than good. We also approved the reflagging on the Falklands register of two stern freezer trawlers, currently flagged on the Spanish register, but Councillors, somewhat concerned about the increasing number of such reflaggings, asked for firm policy recommendations from officials on reflaggings generally.

Energy

Turning to energy, ExCo approved the adoption of some revisions to the national energy policy. Briefly, the Energy Advisory Committee's objectives, amended in February, are broadly to improve the quality of Camp life through provision of economic 24 hour power, to reduce reliance on imported fuel by increasing use of renewable energy sources, to encourage energy conservation by the introduction of energy saving measures, and to promote maintenance of electrical installations and safety standards Islands-wide.

Agriculture

In relation to agriculture, I am glad to report that ExCo approved the release of £400,000 to allow the Department of Agriculture to get on with the replacement fencing scheme. I should point out that this applies only to those farmers who have actually applied for such grants. Any others will have to await any future scheme. ExCo also agreed in principle to a block insurance policy for farmers engaged in tourism to cover their public liability. This is very much related to tourism, but will also be beneficial in terms of relations between the military and the population out in Camp. The proposal is subject to approval by Standing Finance Committee.

Education

As regards education, ExCo approved the broad thrust of the Education Department's development plan for the years 1997 to 2000, including proposals for the development of the Infant and Junior School site, which is becoming urgent. Reflecting the increasing number of pupils in Camp Education, we also approved a proposal to increase the number of travelling teachers by two, and the number of radio telephone

teachers by one. Lastly under this heading, we approved a derogation from the Education Ordinance so as to enable Mike Summers, former Chairman of the Board of Education, to serve as a member of the Board of Education in the slot normally reserved for a Camp Councillor.

Obligations under various international instruments

Turning now to the Falkland Islands' obligations under various international instruments, Councillors approved some proposals designed to ensure that we are in compliance with certain important Conventions of the International Labour Organisation. These relate in particular to remuneration of migrant workers brought in temporarily to carry out work on a specific engineering or construction contract; making employers, not just illegal immigrants themselves, legally liable for bringing workers in illegally; ratifying our existing policy of allowing a dismissed immigrant worker to look for alternative employment, (we do not return such immigrants to their country of origin unless they remain without an offer of employment); and the right of migrant workers to an annual holiday in his or her home country. I stress that the latter does not impose any financial obligation on employers. The second topic under this heading concerns drug trafficking offences, on which Councillors agreed that a new Drug Trafficking Offences Bill could be introduced in Legislative Council which will radically overhaul the way in which drug trafficking confiscation proceedings are investigated and conducted, strengthen the courts' power of enforcement, and ensure the satisfaction of amounts payable under a confiscation order. This will bring us into compliance with our obligations under the Narcotic and Psychotropic Substances Convention of the UN.

Taxes Ordinance

Next, ExCo approved a number of Regulations and Orders consequent on the new Taxes Ordinance 1997 published earlier this year. These cover payment on account of tax, apportionment of deductions, and annual values rules relating to taxable amounts in respect of some benefits in kind received by employees from their employers. These are rather complicated matters and I will not attempt to go into detail here. They will be published in the Official Gazette.

Pensions

ExCo also approved a raft of measure dealing with pensions, the first of which was the award of pension increases to Government service pensioners who retired before our

fisheries prosperity started. In those days pensions were much lower than they are today, and Councillors wanted to reduce the disparity. The increases approved will be on a sliding scale, depending on when officers retired. I am very glad that we have finally done something about this long-standing problem. Councillors also approved a Pension Scheme Bill 1997 which will provide for a pension scheme which all employees, self-employed persons or residents of the Falkland Islands can be members of. The Government's provision will be non-contributory for its employees. We hope the legislation will be in place by 1 January 1998. The Bill enshrining this new scheme will be introduced in the Legislative Council.

ExCo also approved some increase in payments to patients travelling overseas for medical treatment; an increase in the daily board and lodging allowance for Camp children from £2.50 at present, to £3.50. This will come into effect on 1 July 1998.

We also approved a subvention from the FIG towards the cost of the Met Office at MPA, in recognition of the significant economic benefit we gain from accurate weather forecasting.

ExCo were pleased to receive proposals from the management of FIGAS about ways of improving the efficiency and flexibility of the air service, covering in particular fares, scheduling, and staggering flying hours. These will now have to be subject of cost benefit analysis, but Councillors welcome this constructive thinking on these matters by FIGAS.

While on the subject of flying, Councillors also approved a set of general aims and policies in relation to our air links with the mainland, both the existing link with Chile, and the proposed new services to Montevideo and Sao Paulo.

ExCo addressed two questions relating specifically to Stanley. First, we confirmed the limit of 300 people as the maximum that should be in the main auditorium of the Town Hall at any one time. This is entirely motivated by fire safety. And second, Councillors asked for the earliest possible introduction of the taxi drop off point outside the West Store.

Finally, we agreed a slight rescheduling of ExCo meetings between now and June 1998, involving advancing the annual budgetary sessions in April. We also hope to hold one ExCo meeting in Camp, probably at Port Howard, in February.

And that is that. May I just remind readers that the December meeting of ExCo on 11 December is, by convention, one at which we take only urgent business which cannot wait.

General Purposes Committee Wednesday, November 19

Summary by Councillor Jan Cheek

GENERAL Purposes Committee met from 8am until 6.45pm on Wednesday, November 19. All councillors were present except the Hon W Luxton.

Most of the morning was spent in a discussion of future planning, especially financial, using the Coopers and Lybrand report as a starting point. This was a valuable exercise but of course only the beginning of an ongoing process by which this council intends to take a firmer grip on planning for the future.

At 11am Mr Crick and Mr Harker attended with the Deputy Director of Public Works to outline the preliminary Halcrow report on options for waste management. In a wide ranging discussion councillors and consultants agreed on general principles to be incorporated into the final report.

In matters arising from the October meeting it was confirmed that two people from the Forestry Commission will visit the Islands in January to advise on the basic road building techniques used by the commission.

There had been a quite good response to the request for names of people willing to serve on Government committees, there is still an opportunity to add further names, so please contact Jenny Luxton if you wish to be included.

The details of committees will be completed when issues such as the possible amalgamation of some have been resolved.

We looked at the requirement

for councillors to attend meetings and conferences overseas and provisionally nominated the following:

Councillors Edwards and Summers to attend the Dependent Territories Conference with Mike Summers also attending the CPA Westminster Seminar.

Councillors Clifton and Birmingham to represent us at the Committee of Twenty-four and Councillors Cockwell and Luxton at the party conferences.

Councillors Cheek and Halford to be the representatives at the CPA in New Zealand.

In our December meeting we plan to work on priorities for activities and capital projects. We have already agreed that a group be set up to look at housing needs for the next five years.

It is understood that BFBS will be addressing the problems being experienced with radio reception in Camp.

Some concern was expressed about the suggestion that hardstanding around Stanley airport was to be lifted and used. However this may not now be necessary as we understand that the quarry is not back in production.

The Chief Executive attended at 3pm to discuss some administrative details.

His Excellency the Governor attended at 4pm to answer questions on political matters.

The next GPC meeting will be held on December 10.

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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

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm, ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm Minister: Mike Mitchell more 21787

St. MARY'S

SUNDAY: 10am (MPA 6 30pm), Week days: 9am, Sat. also 5pm

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

SUN: 8am Holy Communion; 10 30am Eucharist/Morning worship; 6.30pm Holy Mass; MON: 6 30am Mass WED: 7.30pm Holy communion, 8pm Bible Study Tel: 74350

BAHA'IFAITH

For information on meetings please ring Tel: 21957 (evenings)

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:	30	0613	1.6	03	0149	0.6
Fox Bay +2hr 30m	SUN	1234	0.3	0800	1.7	
Rox Cove +4hrs 30m		1909	1.5	1428	0.2	
Port Howard +3hrs 19m		0037	0.6	2111	1.4	
Teal Inlet +3hrs 30m	Sunrise	0433		Sunrise	0431	
Sea Lion Is. +1hr 15m	Sunset	2049		Sunset	2053	
Port Stephens +3hrs 15m						
Hill Cove +4hrs	December			04		
Berkeley Sound +1hr 11m	01	0645	1.7	THURS	0220	0.7
Port San Carlos +2hr 55m	MON	1308	0.2	0843	1.6	
Darwin Harbour -56m		1946	1.4	1514	0.2	
	Sunrise	0432		2201	1.4	
	Sunset	2051		Sunrise	0430	
				Sunset	2055	
29	0543	0.8	02	0111	0.6	
	1200	1.3	TUE	0720	1.7	
SAT	1833	1.4		1340	0.2	
	0006	0.6		2028	1.4	
Sunrise	0434		Sunrise	0432		
Sunset	2048		Sunset	2052		
				Sunrise	0430	
				Sunset	2056	

LIBRARY

Monday - Friday 08.45am - 12 noon and 1.30pm - 5.45pm Saturday: 10am - 12 noon 2pm - 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 Liz Burnett, Tel: 21770 or Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

SQUASH CLUB Thursdays 5-9pm Contact Dik Sawle Tel 21414

NETBALL CLUB Tuesdays 6-8pm, Wednesday 6-7pm All are welcome Contact Sarah Allan 22119

THE FI GUN CLUB New members welcome Contact Ped Tel: 21663 or Graham Didlick 21622 P.O. Box 540

F.I. RIFLE ASSOCIATION Contact Secretary G Cheek 21402

STANLEY GOLF CLUB Competitions on Sunday at 8.45 am, Contact Mike Summers on tel: 21542

FI MOTORCYCLE ASSOC. All queries & information on races etc contact Andrew Newman 21606 or Rowena Summers 21015

YMCA Accommodation available Contact Terry Peck 21074

ASTHMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets second Tuesday of every third month in Day Centre at 5pm Contact Graham France on 21624

FAULKLAND ISLANDS RED CROSS ASSOCIATION New members welcome. Contact Secretary Irene Baker 20839 or Chairman Nick Hadden, 21014

GUILD OF SPINNERS, WEAVERS & HANDICRAFTS Meetings on Wednesday evening at 7.30pm Contact Marj McPhee, tel: 21106

CANCER SUPPORT & AWARE-

NESS TRUST Contact Shiralee Collins, 21597, Sister Bridie 22086, Derek Howatt 21385

FIODA Actors/singers/stagehands contact Alan 21019

DIABETIC ASSOCIATION Meets first Thursday of every month, 7.30pm in the Day Centre

STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB Contact D. Humphreys Tel. 22028

Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm, Fridays 4-5

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB Contact David McLeod Phone: 20836 (day), 20843 (home)

RUNNING CLUB Meets Wednesday 5.30pm, contact Tracy Porter 21574

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEON Meets 1st Monday every month @ 2000 hrs, WO1&Sgt Mess, Hillside Camp. All ex or serving Service persons welcome. Contact A Geach, R Fiddes or KD Greenland for info 21454 or 27222.

F.I. WESTERN LINE DANCE CLUB: Meets Drill Hall (All welcome) - Mon: 7pm. Contact Tricia Hanlon 21406

STANLEY SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB Friday 7-9pm Sundays 4-5pm. Contact Angela Lee on 21762 or M. Humphreys on 22028

JELLY TOTS CLUB meets Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays at the Day Centre from 2.30 - 4pm. All welcome

WELL BABY/CHILD CLINIC Day Centre KEMH Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am. Contact Miranda Cheek Health Visitor 27418

Leisure Centre Term Times - Further information/Bookings: tel 27291

Day	Pool	Courts
Monday	12.00 - 1.00 Lane Swimming	12.00 - 1.00 Public
	5.00 - 7.00 Public	5.00 - 9.00 Public
Tuesday	7.00 - 8.00 Adults	
	9.30 - 10.30 Public	9.30 - 10.30 Public
Wednesday	12.00 - 1.00 Lane Swimming	12.00 - 1.00 Public
	5.00 - 7.00 Public	5.00 - 9.00 Public
	7.00 - 8.00	
	10.30 - 12.00 Hospital/OAP's	12.00 - 1.00 Public
Thursday	12.00 - 1.00 Lane Swimming	5.00 - 9.00 Public
	5.00 - 7.00 Public	
	7.00 - 8.00 Adults	
	500-7.00 Public	10.30-12.00 Parent/Toddlers 0-7 Yrs
Friday	7.00 - 9.00 Private Hire	12.00-1.00 Public
		5.00-9.00 Public
	10.00 - 11.30 Parents/Toddlers	12.00 - 1.00 Public
	12.00 - 1.00 Lane Swimming	5.00 - 9.00 Public
Saturday	5.00 - 7.00 Public	
	7.00 - 8.00 Adults	
	8.00 - 9.00 Private Hire	
	10.00 - 4.00 Public	10.00 - 6.00 Public
Sunday	4.00 - 5.00 Adults	
	10.00 - 4.00 Public	10.00 - 6.00 Public

Your BFBS Television programmes

Due to changes to scheduled programmes as a result of arrangements for the future broadcast of live television, BFBS are only able to this week provide a television schedule from Monday to Friday.

MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER

7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS
FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 BOOK BOX 10.15 NUMBERTIME 10.30 GOOD HEALTH 10.45 THE WEATHER SHOW 10.50 KILROY
11.30 THIS MORNING (Including ITN News Headlines) Presented by Richard Madeley and Judy Finnigan
1.15 TOTS TV Followed by BFBS WEATHER REPORT 1.30 NEWS
1.50 NEIGHBOURS Lou's launch party grinds to a halt. Libby is confused about her feelings for Rohan
2.15 NAME THAT TUNE with Jools Holland
2.40 HOLIDAY
3.10 COUNTDOWN
3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
3.45 THE PARKIES
3.55 THE ADVENTURES OF PADDINGTON BEAR
4.05 BRAMBLY HEDGE
4.30 FUN HOUSE
4.55 RECORD BREAKERS
5.20 HOME AND AWAY Marilyn is frantic about the oncoming storm, but Fisher is calm and controlled. Ian has an emergency to deal with
5.40 TOP GEAR
6.10 999 LIFESAVERS This week, the seven-year-old girl who became a human torch after setting her dress alight at a fireworks party, plus advice on how to have fun and stay safe on Bonfire Night
6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.55 CORONATION STREET Judy flees to safety with baby Katie. Les is getting too close for Samantha's comfort. Deirdre and Jon's shopping trip in an eventful one
7.45 THE BILL Gentleman Jim: WPC Blake is thrilled about her move to CID. Jim Carver isn't
8.10 THE COOK REPORT
8.35 BLOOMIN' MARVELLOUS Jack has a good dose of mid-life crisis and he and Jeff head down to the lively Parachute Club. Meanwhile, Liz and Shaz wonder if they've married the right men
9.05 SOLDIER, SOLDIER A revelation rocks Fitzpatrick's family, and Hobb's nightmare on civvy street ends in disaster for Butcher
10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
10.30 CLIVE ANDERSON ALL TALK Guests tonight include Ronnie Corbett and former South African President FW de Klerk
11.00 FILM '97
11.30 THE RUGBY CLUB
11.10 SOMETHING STRANGE
12.10 NATIONWIDE FOOTBALL LEAGUE EXTRA

TUESDAY 2ND DECEMBER

7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS
FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 FOURWAYS FARM 10.10 STORYTIME 10.25 ZIG ZAG 10.45 THE WEATHER SHOW 10.50 KILROY
11.30 THIS MORNING (Including ITN News Headlines)
1.15 THE SLOW NORRIS followed by BFBS WEATHER 1.30 NEWS
1.50 NEIGHBOURS Lou is eager to receive the morning papers. Darren sees the error of his ways
2.15 FOOD AND DRINK
2.45 VANESSA
3.10 COUNTDOWN
3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with: JAY'S WORLD
3.45 KIPPER (New)
3.55 ROGER AND THE ROTTENTROLLS (New)
4.05 DENNIS THE MENACE
4.30 BLUE PETER
5.00 BYKER GROVE
5.25 HOME AND AWAY Summer Bay catches the tail end of cyclone Raymond. Justine tries to rectify things with Tiegan. And Jesse organises a surprise for Steven's bucks night
5.45 A QUESTION OF SPORT
6.15 EMMERDALE Zak takes up busking to earn money for Christmas. Tony and Emma come to an understanding, while Sophie and Zoe reach a decision about their relationship
6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.55 SCENE HERE
7.25 EASTENDERS It's a painful day for Ricky and Bianca, Ian is forced to deal with Cindy's demand to see her children, and will

Kathy support Ian's latest venture?

7.55 FULL CIRCLE WITH MICHAEL PALIN Today he travels to Borneo where it's monsoon time, across the equator to Java, the most densely populated island in the world
8.45 WORLD IN ACTION
9.10 DARK SKIES
10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
10.30 THE COMEDY STORE
10.55 CUTTING EDGE (New) Passport Control Documentary.
11.45 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER

7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS
FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 STAGE ONE 10.15 TELLYTUBBIES 10.40 SCHOOLS AT WORK 10.45 THE WEATHER SHOW 10.50 KILROY
11.30 THIS MORNING (Including ITN News Headlines)
1.15 TOTS TV followed by BFBS WEATHER 1.30 NEWS
1.50 NEIGHBOURS Rohan rethinks his relationship with Libby. Marlene touts for business for Lou's bus
2.15 HOME FRONT
3.45 THE CLOTHES SHOW
3.10 COUNTDOWN
3.40 ROOM 785 Starting with: THE ENCHANTED LANDS
3.50 CONAN THE ADVENTURER
4.15 HOW 2
4.30 SMART (New)
5.00 BYKER GROVE Brigid's health and fitness craze becomes dangerous
5.25 HOME AND AWAY Selina finds out that Steven has lied. Jesse makes one last attempt to get Selina back. And Casey and Aaron get mugged
5.45 TOMORROW'S WORLD
6.15 EMMERDALE The Cairns have a housewarming party for Woodside. Sam takes Marlon to see the van he has been stealing parts from. Meanwhile Roy discovers Biff and Kelly arm in arm
6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.55 CORONATION STREET Des receives a shock. Judy and Gary plan for baby Katie's future
7.45 THE BILL Rift: A teenage fight over an older man turns out to have more serious implications
8.10 YOU'VE BEEN FRAMED
8.35 CRIME BEAT
9.05 PEAK PRACTICE A young girl stumbles into Cardale looking for a new start, while Andrew decides to tell Erica how he really feels about her
10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
10.30 FILM: HAMBURGER HILL (1987, 18) War drama starring Anthony Barrile and Michael Patrick Boatman. Vietnam 1969. A platoon from the 101st airborne Division is ordered to take Hill 937 in the Ashau Valley, despite it being fiercely defended by tough Vietnamese soldiers

THURSDAY 4TH DECEMBER

7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS
FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 MEGAMATHS 10.20 LANDMARKS 10.40 SCHOOLS AT WORK (Repeat) 10.45 THE WEATHER SHOW 10.50 KILROY
11.30 THIS MORNING (Including ITN News Headlines)
1.15 THE RIDDLERS Followed by BFBS WEATHER 1.30 NEWS
1.50 NEIGHBOURS Debbie and Darren enjoy their time apart. Lou throws a street party to remember. Billy, Toadie and Hannah make a bid for freedom
2.15 THE ANTIQUES SHOW
2.45 VANESSA
3.10 COUNTDOWN
3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
3.45 SOOTY AND CO
4.10 GET YOUR OWN BACK
4.35 BLUE PETER
5.05 THE O-ZONE
5.25 HOME AND AWAY Lachie has an emergency to deal with. Ian tells Justine not to rely on him. And Aaron threatens someone who looks like his attacker - but has he got the right man?
6.45 CALL MY BLUFF Hosted by Bob Holness
6.15 EMMERDALE Zak has trouble with a rival busker. Biff tries to talk to an angry Roy
6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.55 ANIMAL HOSPITAL
7.25 EASTENDERS Ricky does his best to cheer Bianca up and ease her pain

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

7.50 WORLD CUP DRAW
8.00 VOLCANO STORIES - MONTSERRAT The extraordinary real-life story of the island of Montserrat and the islanders who are trying to cope with the recent volcanic eruptions
8.30 UNDERCOVER CUSTOMS
9.00 MEN BEHAVING BADLY (New)
9.30 THEY THINK IT'S ALL OVER
10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
10.30 FILM: THE PEOPLE UNDER THE STAIRS (1991, 18) Horror starring Brandon Adams. When 13-year-old "Fool" breaks into the house of the landlords who are about to evict his family, he stumbles into a nightmare world - the world of the people under the stairs

FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER

7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS
FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 EUREKA! 10.15 STOP, LOOK, LISTEN 10.30 STAGE TWO SCIENCE ENERGY 10.45 THE WEATHER SHOW 10.50 KILROY
11.30 THIS MORNING (Including ITN News Headlines)
1.15 POTAMUS PARK followed by BFBS WEATHER 1.30 NEWS
1.50 NEIGHBOURS Lance steps into the boxing ring
2.15 MILLIONAIRES Today, a profile of ex-wrestler Tony Walsh
2.40 COMEDY CLASSIC: DAD'S ARMY
3.10 COUNTDOWN
3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with: MOOMIN

4.00 PLASMO
4.05 HURRICANES
4.30 MR WYMI
4.45 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
4.55 THE WARD
5.20 HOME AND AWAY Irene is bewildered by Selina's mysterious disappearance. Jesse wanders the streets in despair
5.40 GAMESMASTER (New)
6.10 THE WHITBREAD: THE WORLD'S GREATEST OCEAN RACE
6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.55 SCENE HERE
7.25 EASTENDERS Frank returns to Albert Square to console Ricky and Bianca after their recent tragedy
7.50 DES O'CONNOR TONIGHT (New)
8.45 MICHAEL BARRYMORE'S STRIKE IT RICH
9.10 THE LOCKSMITH Frustrated by the police's inability to find Carla's attacker, Roland decides to use his locksmithing skills to set a trap
10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
10.30 RORY MCGRATH'S COMMERCIAL BREAKDOWN
11.00 TURNING WORLD Khan is in trouble: his abandoned wife is trying to get revenge and the authorities have advanced their plans for the hospital closure
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6.03 Music Fill
6.30 Children's Corner
7.30 News and Sport from five live B.F.B.S. Programmes
7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
8.00 Six Palestrina Masses
8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
8.30 Dessert Island Discs
9.00 News Desk from the BBC
9.20 Music Fill
9.30 People like us (comedy) The Managing Director
9.45 Music Fill
10.00 News BFBS

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5.00 News BFBS
5.03 Music fill
5.15 Dessert Island Discs
6.00 Music Fill
6.40 Weather, flights, announcements
7.00 Church Service-Tabernacle
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8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didlick
8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
8.45 Folk Music Show
9.00 News Desk
9.28 Rpt. Weather & Flights
9.30 The Old Curiosity Shop
9.45 Music Fill
10.00 News BFBS

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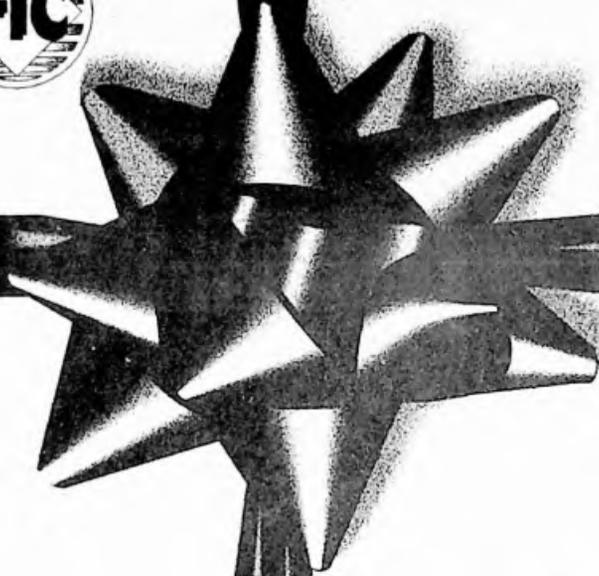
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12.05 Lunchtime announcements
12.15 Archers
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5.03 The Archers
5.18 The late afternoon show
6.00 Country Crossroads
6.30 Families and how to survive them
7.00 The Goons CD collection
7.30 News and Sport
7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
8.00 BBC Story of Pop
9.00 News Desk from the BBC
9.28 Rpt. Weather and Flights
9.30 Aunt Julia & the scriptwriter
10.00 News BFBS

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Argentina

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The Argentines were well received by the Islanders

Several inhabitants of the Falkland Islands yesterday expressed that the relatives of the Argentine soldiers who died in the 1982 war are welcome in the archipelago.

Speaking to the Argentine media who arrived in the islands along with the relatives, some Islanders, among them employees, drivers and neighbours, classified the visit as "humanitarian, with no political meaning."

Also several Islanders asked whether there are other such trips scheduled, because there is no banning on these trips for the Argentine government to request - through the right channels - that these visits be allowed to take place. On numerous occasions the Islands Council has said that there is no reason why these visits cannot take place

LA NACION 22/11/97

DHIL offered to pay the costs to allow the pictures into the country

The President of the private firm DHIL in Argentina, Ricardo Giacchino, announced yesterday (Friday) that his company will pay the customs fees which were demanded from an artist in the Falklands, who sent ten paintings to Buenos Aires from the Islands.

At the same time Vice-Foreign Minister Andres Cisneros, requested that the customs report to him why they imposed customs taxes on goods which come from the Falkland Islands, as if the Islands were not part of the national territory.

As there are no direct flights from the Falklands to the mainland, James Peck sent his pictures for an exhibition which will take place in a portemogallery, via Chile, as La Nacion reported yesterday.

When the pictures arrived in Buenos Aires, the customs confiscated the pictures, valued them at \$2,500 (US\$2,500) and demanded the payment of \$273 to let them in to the country.

The company DHIL which had transported the material paid the amount requested by the customs, kept the pictures and, to hand them over, demanded that the gallery where they were going to go on display pay them the money.

Sara Garcia Urriburu, owner of the gallery where the Falklands painter will exhibit the series "Darwin Cemetery" said that the amount the customs valued the pictures at "is ridiculous" because the unknown Peck pieces of work are not worth over a hundred pesos.

Statement from DHIL

"Following the situation concerning the transportation of pictures of a Falklands resident to the Continent, the company DHIL Argentina, as soon as it found out about the events, decided to immediately pay the costs of the customs taxes concerning the artists work, so that they can participate in the exhibition," said the statement which was signed by Giacchino.

For any future items which are sent from the Islands, the company recommended "that they get in touch with

DHIL's headquarters, so they can obtain the corresponding advice."

Giacchino, meanwhile, requested an interview with the administrator of the national customs and with the secretary of public income "to harmonise the norms in effect"

LA NACION 22/11/97

The Councillors of the Islands reject any kind of reconciliation by Elizabetha Pique

Of the approximately six hundred houses there are in this city, which the Islanders consider their capital and call Port Stanley, one of the oldest and picturesque is that of the Legislative Council, the only elected organism in the Islands.

In its very well kept garden, beside a mast with the Colony's flag flying on it, there is one of the few trees to be found in the place (brought from abroad and planted especially, because in the archipelago there are none.)

The house, a typical Patagonian construction with a metal roof, is on the side of the bay, in the blue waters of which you can see old ship wrecks. The scenery inspires peace.

Inside, the atmosphere is totally different. Richard Cockwell, Lewis Clifton, Norma Edwards, Jan Cheek and Mike Summers, five of the eight members of the Legislative Council of the Islands, are on guard. Without beating around the bush, they reject anything which resembles reconciliation or a certain level of "friendship" with Argentina.

Unlike the Governor Richard Ralph, they prefer not to use diplomatic words, during an interview with *La Nacion* they reiterate their iron policy. Sovereignty will not be discussed and the only acceptable thing is for the Argentine politicians to renounce their territorial claim.

Straight to the point, they say that they consider "extravagant" Di Tella's proposal to visit the Islands with a non-Argentine passport. "If he were to come to announce that they are going to give up the territorial claim forever, it would be different. But as foreign minister it is impossible that he can come," says Norma Edwards.

The Councillors do not bat an eyelid when the United Nations Decolonisation Committee's resolutions are mentioned, which urge both sides (Argentina and the United Kingdom) to negotiate a peaceful solution to the conflict. They counter-attack using the islanders right to self-determination.

"Our perception is that the Argentines ignore our right to exist," says Richard Cockwell.

They rule out any possibility of an agreement and consider absurd the idea of "shared sovereignty" outlined by our foreign ministry. "This is our country," they indicate. Also they classify as "unrealistic" the fact that President Carlos Menem said that the sovereignty of the Islands would be recovered "before the year 2000" and outline that this attitude "is a threat"

"I think it is amazing that during the visit the North American President carried out to Argentina, with there being important things to talk about, Menem and Clinton ended up talking about the Islands," said Mike Summers.

The Councillors don't want to know anything about having air-links with the Continent, even though it would be advantageous to them because of distance and costs. "It is ironic that the Argentines want to re-create what they destroyed in '82," says Summers (before the war there were LADE flights) and indicated that "there is no possibility" that this connection be re-established.

Referring to this, Summers confirms that as from March or April next year there will be a third option to travel to the Islands. The Falkland Islands Airways, which he owns, will fly from here to Montevideo. (Up until now the only two ways were from Punta Arenas, on LAN Chile, or from London on a British Air Force aeroplane.)

Any contact whatsoever with the mainland seems to both them. So much to the effect that they said that "if there is another visit" by relatives of the dead soldiers, the group will have to come with a commercial aeroplane and not as they did on this trip on a charter flight from Comodoro Rivadavia.

The dead

With this in mind, they did not hide that their great wish would be for the relatives of the victims to decide to take their bodies. "We would give them to them without any problems," they all say in chorus, with a shine in their eyes.

"If my son had died abroad, I would like to have his grave near so that I could go and visit it every day," says Norma Edwards, knowing perfectly well that the relatives of the Argentine soldiers who died, want their loved ones to stay in the place they fought for, even though it is thousands of kilometres away from their homes.

Nor do they want to know anything about the offer made by Di Tella a few years ago to "clean-up" the areas which are covered with some 17,000 landmines. "This is an almost impossible mission and we would prefer to do it ourselves. Instead of people dying, it is better to keep the mined areas fenced off, like they are now," they say.

Top level health and education and salary increases

"The problem is that we have too much money to spend" To Argentine ears this phrase sounds unlikely. Not only because of the content of the phrase but because the person who says it is: Doctor Roger Diggle, director of the only, and flamboyant, hospital in the Islands.

Going round the Falkland Island medical centre gives you an idea of the incredible economic development here. It has 32 beds, an operating theatre, labour ward (an average of 30 babies a year are born here) scanning machines and state-of-the-art technology for dentistry, first aid and everything you can imagine.

The new establishment was inaugurated at the end of 1987. It cost 35 million dollars.

If there is something which the Islanders recognise unanimously, it is that the 1982 war produced an "economic revolution." It's more, many Kelpers - a nickname which they say doesn't bother them, comes from "kelp" in English seaweed which can be found all around the Islands - make

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you think that April 2nd, that year, was possible because the United Kingdom had practically stopped worrying about its faraway and under-populated colony in the South Atlantic.

This alleged "forgetfulness" or even "betrayal," England seems to be paying for highly.

As Diggle says, in the hospital, which is in Stanley, the only city in the Islands (with some 1,500 inhabitants) all the services are free. Seventy people work there, 24 of which are nurses, who earn an average of 34,000 dollars a year. "This hospital can be compared with any good hospital in the world. We have everything except for a cat-scan," says Diggle. And he adds: "The Islands' government spends more than five million dollars a year on health."

The education in the Islands

These figures are surprising, visiting the only secondary school in Stanley also leaves you with your mouth open: the building is modern but it maintains the Patagonian-British style of all the city and is the biggest building in the whole of the Islands. It has a computer class-room, equipped with dozens of latest model PC's, and looks like the editorial department of a newspaper - swimming pool, carpentry workshop, basketball court and two squash courts. It is all free and can be used by the rest of the community.

The school was inaugurated in 1992, a relatively short time ago, and it cost 21 million dollars. "Following the war it was decided to spend money on infrastructure and this school is the pride of our community," explains the British headmaster, David Higgins.

"I am sure that in England there are a lot of young people who do not have such an establishment. Many of the children don't realise how lucky they are," adds Higgins.

Now there are 153 students (be-

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BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR MONDAY 24 NOVEMBER 1997 JAPANESE FINANCIAL BROKERAGE COLLAPSES

News of the closure of the big Japanese financial brokerage, Yamaichi Securities, came too late for the first editions. However, the *Financial Times* had already given prominence to the company's problems in the wake of a scandal centered on billions of dollars in illegal debts. *The Financial Times* editorial says a Yamaichi collapse means a new and dangerous phase in Asia's economic crisis. Meanwhile, a front-page story in *The Times* says President Clinton has guaranteed America's commitment to the troubled economies of Asia. The newspaper says that on the eve of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Forum in Vancouver, the President attempted to calm jittery eastern markets by emphasising the United States' role as a Pacific power. *The Times* quotes him as saying that America's future and Asia's are joined, and with such deep stakes in the region their security and economic interests go hand in hand.

ESTATE OF DIANA, PRINCESS OF WALES

The Guardian leads with the Prince of Wales' decision not to exploit a tax loophole which would avoid the payment of millions of pounds of inheritance tax on the estate of Diana, Princess of Wales. The paper says the move averts an embarrassing row over the Royal Family's relationship with the taxman. Most papers also cover Prince Charles's appointment of the former premier minister, John Major, to act as an independent adviser of the couple's young sons, 15 year old Prince William and 13 year old Prince Harry, in the proceedings. *The Daily Mail* sees Mr Major's appointment as a public relations move of bemusing boldness.

BRITISH LIBRARY'S NEW READING ROOM OPENS

Several papers report on the opening of the Reading Room of the British Library's new building in the London suburb of St Pancras. The facility has moved

from its renowned predecessor, 140 years old, at the British Museum in London's Bloomsbury district: the process of shifting 12 million books is under way. Prince Charles famously likened the edifice of the new library to an academy for secret police, but *The Times* reports that several writers have given enthusiastic approval. Lady Antonia Fraser, Sir Harold Pinter, David Lodge and Kathy Lette were among writers given a sneak preview, and the *Times* reports that they all responded favourably. Lady Antonia Fraser described the new Reading Room, with its modern facilities, as thrilling.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR TUESDAY 25 NOVEMBER 1997 COLLAPSE OF YAMAICHI SECURITIES

The Independent says that the Japanese authorities should have put the loss-making Yamaichi Securities out of its misery years ago. It says the fact that instead they allowed the company to disguise its losses justifies a damning verdict on Asian-style capitalism. *The Financial Times* says that Japan must restore confidence in its economy in order to stop the rot spreading around the world. It says it needs to stimulate domestic demand, inject new capital into its debt-ridden financial system and fund its neighbours. Otherwise, it says, the burden of sustaining the world economy will fall solely on the United States and Europe. *The Times* says that the current Asia-Pacific summit in Vancouver, Canada, could hardly have been better timed. It says that President Clinton should emphasise the need for adequate international financial support. And it urges the participants not to push APEC's original free trade agenda into the background, arguing that trade will be essential to the region's longer-term recovery. But one of the paper's own columnists sounds a note of caution. She says APEC has so far proved ineffectual precisely because of the refusal of many of its member states to recognise what she calls the dark side of the Asian miracle. She says cronyism, cor-

ruption and politically-inspired investment have driven much of the expansion in lending, which has now been revealed to be insupportable.

DIVORCE OF EARL SPENCER

Affairs of the heart, too, are exciting passions. The tabloid press is awash with details about the divorce of Earl Spencer, the brother of the late Princess of Wales. *The Sun*, *Mirror* and *Daily Star* all seize on the allegation in a Cape Town court that he had affairs with up to twelve different women while his wife was in a clinic for alcohol addiction. They all latch on to the description of him as a 'serial adulterer', and carry pictures of his wife walking side by side with a woman who says she was one of his conquests.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR WEDNESDAY 26 NOVEMBER 1997

COUNCILLOR'S PRE- BUDGET REPORT

Wednesday's British newspapers relegate to the inside pages their coverage of financial markets following the turmoil in the Far East, and switch attention to the interests of poorer sections of British society. There is an overwhelming welcome for the draft budget outlined in Parliament by the Finance Minister - the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Gordon Brown. Several papers say it gives an early Christmas present in additional benefits for the elderly, and for single parents. For the *Daily Telegraph*, however, the expansion of benefits for single mothers is less of a gift, and more a longer-term plan to fund child-care arrangements so that mothers can return to their paid jobs. *The Guardian* calls the proposals the biggest shake-up in the British welfare state in its 50 year history, which will get the unemployed back to work. Both the *Financial Times* and the *Daily Mail* also focus on planned changes for business taxation, which they say will bring Britain more into line with practices in the United States.

FOREIGN NEWS STORIES

There is prominent coverage from South Africa of the allegedly criminal acts by President Mandela's divorced wife, Winnie, described by witness to the Truth Commission; and of the hearing in Cape Town into the divorce of Earl Spencer, the brother of Diana, Princess of Wales. Other foreign news includes a report in *The Guardian* of how embalmers keep the body of Lenin intact while on view in his mausoleum.

DOMESTIC STORIES

The Daily Telegraph gives more than a page to concerns that a British ban on hunting, as some MPs are proposing, will lead to deer being culled in large numbers. And most of the papers report a new British statistic - a survey shows that a million British men get drunk at least once a week.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR THURSDAY 27 NOVEMBER 1997

EARL SPENCER DIVORCE CASE

The subject which receives the most widespread coverage is a court action in South Africa over the divorce proceedings between the brother of Diana, Princess of Wales, Earl Spencer, and his wife Victoria. The story is the only front page story in the mass-circulation *Daily Mail*, *Sun* and *Mirror*, and is also given front page treatment by the *Daily Telegraph* and the *Guardian*. Many newspapers have more details on inside pages, and carry pictures of the stately home of the Earl's family at Althorp, where Princess Diana is buried.

WINNIE MANDELA HEARING

The Independent highlights a very different South African legal hearing - that of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission which is examining allegations of murder against Winnie Madikizela-Mandela, the former wife of the South African President. The front page report is accompanied by a picture of a pensive Mrs Mandela, and concentrates on the evidence of South Africa's leading Methodist, Bishop Peter Storey. The paper says his passionate testimony, in which he suggested that the apartheid era had eroded some people's sense of good and evil, appeared to blow away what remained of Mrs Mandela's credibility.

PRIVATE SCHOOLS POLICY

The Daily Telegraph reports an unexpected friendship between the nation's long-established fee-paying schools and the governing Labour Party, which not so long ago was vowing to abolish them as bastions of privilege. The paper highlights remarks by an Education Minister, Stephen Byers, that it is not Government policy to abolish special tax-breaks for such private schools - as had been mooted - and that Labour wants instead to build bridges with them. The story is also featured by *The Independent* under the heading: Labour's warm embrace for the old private school enemy.

HEADMISTRESS AC- CUSES PARENTS OF BEING OVER-PROTECTIVE

The Times takes up the comments of a school headmistress, who suggests parents are being too protective of their children. The headmistress says that not allowing children to catch a bus or go into town or the countryside unsupervised is stifling their sense of adventure and leaving them unable to assess risks for themselves. If drink and drugs, dodgy sex and driving too fast are the only ways left to satisfy a natural urge to be daring, she says, we shall have done our young people a grave disservice.



News from South America

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WORLD'S GREATEST FACTORY SHIP BARRED FROM CHILEAN WATERS

The Chilean Supreme Court unanimously upheld the ruling of an Appeals Court which means the "American Monarch", considered the world's biggest and most modern fish processing vessel is barred from operating in Chilean waters. In spite of the fact that Pesquera Yelco S.A., that represent the American company which owns the 60 million US dollars vessel have anticipated they will sue the Chilean government, the ruling puts an end to a debate which began in August '96 when Chilean fishing authorities denied the validity of the hake licences which were to be extended to the "American Monarch".

Chilean fishing industry officials were very much concerned that a vessel of those dimensions could easily deplete the hake resources in the Punta Arenas area where the *American Monarch* was expected to operate.

Pasquera Yelco said the ruling favours the only surimi (frozen fish pulp) company operating in the area, which coincidentally "belongs to a Japanese group".

In Punta Arenas the head of the Maritime Chamber, Leonardo Castex considered the situation very delicate, and regretted that the ruling, "impedes the development of Punta Arenas."

Miodrag Marinovic, president of the Punta Arenas Chamber of Commerce and Industry was also bitter about the incident.

"We are concerned about the lack of transparency in the case, and really affected because the ruling blocks a 60 million dollars investment and the creation of 200 jobs in Punta Arenas", stressed Marinovic.

The Norwegian built "American Monarch" is currently moored in Seattle, US.

PUNTA ARENAS AIR- PORT WILL BE IM-

PROVED

Chilean Minister of Public Works, Ricardo Lagos, announced that five million dollars will be invested in the upgrading and expansion of the Punta Arenas airport. Mr Lagos pointed out that the whole operation would be managed by a system of private concessions.

"The lease for the contract is expected to be ready in late '98 and works should begin in early '99," said Lagos.

The five million dollars will be invested mainly in improving the passenger handling capacity of the airport.

The number of passengers and tourists travelling through the airport is increasing at an annual rate of 20%.

IRELAND INVESTS IN SEAWEED INDUSTRY

Next December a commercial seaweed farm will open off the Galway coast in Ireland. The farm is targeted to produce seaweed for human consumption to export mainly to Japan.

Scientists of the University of Galway have identified among the many Irish varieties, the *Porphyra linearis* and the *Alaria esculenta*, more commonly known as the nori and wakame, considered the most popular seaweed in the Japanese sushi bars. According to the Irish Seaweed Industry Organisation there's a great potential in the world market, estimated in 4 billion US dollars.

Japan imported 223,000 tonnes in 1994 and there's an increasing demand from Europe and the United States.

AUSTRALIAN NAVY ARRESTS TOOTHFISH POACHERS

The Australian Navy arrested two large factory ships poaching for Patagonian toothfish in Australian protected areas off Heard and McDonald islands in the sub-Antarctic area.

The Belize and Panama flagged vessels had their cargo confiscated and were escorted to

Fremantle, an estimated 2,700 miles to the Northeast, where they will face charges for alleged illegal fishing.

If found guilty, they face heavy fines and could even have the vessels confiscated.

ARGENTINE FISHERIES BILL RETURNS TO THE SENATE

In the midst of strong controversy the Argentine Federal Fisheries Bill will be considered by the Senate after receiving half sanction in the Chamber of Deputies which modified 30 of the 73 articles of the original draft.

The bill establishes the creation of a Fisheries Secretariat and a Fisheries Federal Council, that will be responsible for the Argentine Fishing policy and the granting of licences. The bill also extends the economic jurisdiction of the coastal provinces to twelve miles. Political experts anticipate a strong debate in Senate since the different interests of the industry are pressing for changes.

The factory ships, mostly joint ventures with foreign companies, want to continue processing in the high seas while the land-based fleet insists fish must be industrialised in the local packing plants.

The bill sanctioned by Deputies bans the incorporation of second hand vessels and curtails global licensing to fishing fleets. Licences will be extended taking into account the previous eight years record.

ARGENTINA BANS HAKE FISHING

The Argentine government announced the banning of hake fishing during next December as well as the extension of the protected spawning area which now will cover 220,000 square kilometres of the South Atlantic.

The high seas processing freezers will have to cease operations starting December first until the end of the year, while the ban for the "fresh catch" vessels begins December 15th. As far as the protected area, the federal government will request the provinces of Chubut and Santa Cruz to include the area of the San Jorge Gulf.

Agriculture Secretary, Federico Sola, also anticipated strict fishing restrictions for 1998, including the so called "biological rests" which will oblige licensed trawlers to remain in port for several days every month, as well as an additional "extraction fee."

The measures are geared to help recover the depleted hussii hake resources that in five years have dropped by half, because of over catching and lack of conservation, according to Argentine scientific research. Catches jumped from 375,000 tons in 1992 to well over 600,000.

Consultants from Canada,

New Zealand and South Africa are expected to arrive in the coming days to help out with the hake emergency.

Argentina will also begin satellite monitoring of the fishing fleet during next December.

SCIENTIFIC VESSELS IN PUNTA ARENAS

As the Antarctic season begins several scientific research vessels are scheduled to arrive in Punta Arenas, from where they will be operating as support base.

The first to arrive will be the Spanish Navy oceanographic ship, "Hesperides" that will be supplying Spanish stations and doing volcanic activity and seismic research in the Antarctic waters.

The Russian flag "Yuzhmor Geologiya" will be arriving in Punta Arenas for the first time next week and the "Lawrence M. Gould" will replace the "Polar Duke" in the US Antarctic operations.

In related affairs the Uruguayan Navy vessel, "Anguardia" left this week with supplies and fuel for the Uruguayan base in King George Island as well as with the necessary elements to equip a new station in the Antarctic continent, a former British refuge.

CARLOS MENEM'S BROTHER A PRESIDEN- TIAL CANDIDATE

Upper House Provisional President Eduardo Menem has decided to join the list of Justicialista Party (PJ), presidential hopefuls for 1999, putting at stake the presidential aspirations of Eduardo Duhalde, one of the strongest contenders in the heated race.

President Carlos Menem's brother admitted he considered himself fully qualified to join the race, but made it clear that: "we have to wait for the party members' reaction."

Eduardo Duhalde, Governor of the province of Buenos Aires, was the undisputed heir of President Menem until last October when he was defeated in the mid-term elections.

Meanwhile the leaders of the Alliance who defeated the Peronists last October, Graciela Fernandez Mejide and Rodolfo Terragno, were given a red carpet reception in the United States where they met with White House and Congress officials, as well as with bankers and the president of the International Monetary Fund.

Another presidential hopeful and next Chairman of the Radical Party, Fernando de la Rúa, currently mayor of the city of Buenos Aires who also was away officially invited to Germany, was granted a "presidential" equivalent status by the Helmut Kohl government.

tween 11 and 16 years old) but the school was built for the next 50 years and has room for double the number of pupils. Even though it is hard to believe, Spanish is obligatory between 11 and 14 years of age and in the last two years is optional.

How much does a teacher in the Falklands earn? Jaime Correa, a Chilean who has taught Spanish for the last four years and is about to leave, gets 40,000 dollars a year.

Salary increase

Since the end of 1986, when the exclusion zone for fishing was laid down, unilaterally, at 150 miles around the Islands, the Islanders salaries have increased 700 percent.

The government collects money from the foreign fishing boats, but what has made the Islands rich is the income from squid. With a subsidy the government formed 12 joint-ventures with companies based in the United Kingdom, Taiwan, Japan, South Korea and Spain.

Because of this, in a city which is similar to a typical town in the Argentine Pampa, it is not odd to run into a Spaniard or Asian who is involved in the fishing business.

Nor is it strange to find waiters and waitresses with dark skins, who have emigrated from the Island of Saint Helena (where Napoleon Bonaparte, was exiled which is also a British colony) or Chileans who have settled here, seeking a better way of life.

According to Legislative Council sources, the annual income, which comes from fishing is 35 million dollars. And the average salary of each inhabitant is 20,000 dollars a year.

You can see the prosperity. Nearly all the inhabitants of the Islands have a car (more than anything else a four wheel drive, of course with the steering wheel on the right) and the majority of the 600 houses in Stanley no longer use turf for fuel, but gas or electric cookers.

In the local supermarkets you can find a wide variety of food-stuffs, obviously, there are no Argentine products and the prices are in line with the salaries: That is to say quite high.

Convertibility

The prices which can be found in the shops in the Islands are similar to those which you would find in the middle of London. In the Islands there is also a kind of "convertibility." A pound sterling, is the same as a Falkland pound.

What used to be the main income for many Islanders for a long time has now moved to second place, the sale of sheep's wool, even though some people go on living from the land.

The difference is that before the war there were 32 big ranches, whilst now there are more than 90. This subdivision was possible thanks to the Falkland Islands Development Corporation, which decided to buy the large estates to sell to the locals.

Tourism is another source of income in this land. As you can see Spaniards or Taiwanese, working in the fishing business you can see North Americans and Japanese taking photographs and buying stuffed penguins as a souvenir each time a cruise liner stops for a day in the city port (liners which travel to the Antarctic or cross the Magellan straits to go to Punta Arenas and Puerto Montt). The Argentine tourists are not allowed off the ships.

But the Islanders seem to live so well as they are, they don't seem to worry too much about the foreign-

ers who from time to time "invade them." Even if a tourist wants to eat, if the cooks shift is over, then they'll have to go hungry. When there is money, there is money.

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Sidelines

Guido di Tella received, according to a rumour doing the rounds in the foreign ministry, the suggestion from the British Embassy of not shaking up matters in the media concerning the sovereignty of the Falklands during President Carlos Menem's visit to London. The warning said that, if expectations are created, the presidential trip could run the risk of being postponed.

Meanwhile in the Foreign Office, there is no concern about Di Tella's trip to the Falklands. This is a problem the Islanders will resolve, without the participation of London. And according to all the indications, they won't have any problem doing so.

LA NACION 23/11/97

Rex Hunt: "Galtieri's craziness brought good things" by Elisabetta Pique

Sir Rex Hunt, the governor the Argentine armed forces made leave the Falkland Islands on the afternoon of April 2nd 1982, is considered here a real hero, that is, of course, after Margaret Thatcher.

His image, wearing a dress uniform, with feathers in his hat and sword, while he said goodbye to his people, has remained as a symbol of a story which is difficult to forget.

Rex Hunt is now 71 years of age and is retired, but every now and again he travels to the archipelago, "which he feels sentimentally linked to," where he is guest of honour at numerous grand receptions.

In his sixth visit since he gave up his position as governor in November 1985, along with the famous British golfer Bernard Gallacher - Rex Hunt is still the Honorary President of the golf club on the outskirts of Stanley - the former member of the British Foreign Office yesterday held a conversation with *La Nacion* in the winter garden of the governors house, where he is staying.

Fifteen years after the war, what do you feel towards Argentina and the Argentines?

"I think that through Galtieri's craziness many good things have happened. Now, you have an elected, democratic government, not a military regime and the Islands have obtained much more assistance from the British government. As you can see, now this is a prosperous community and much more developed. When I was here in 1982 the islands had 1813 inhabitants and it was decreasing. Now, there are more people than ever, 2490, according to the last census, which does not include the military. Things are going very well, but what I consider most important is that the young people nowadays go and study abroad but come back here with their university degrees, because they see here a good future, and they are not bothered by the Argentines."

Rex Hunt, speaks with no resentment and his blue eyes have a deep look. He recalls all the details prior to his forced exit from the Islands, the Argentine helicopters landing on the football pitch next door to the governor's house, the uniformed soldiers with painted faces, and he confirms that, "the invasion" took us "completely by surprise."

"We never thought that Galtieri would be so stupid. It was a very well kept secret," he says. "Only sixteen hours before, at 3.30pm, on April 1st,

did I receive a secret telegraph from the Foreign Office," which vaguely warned about strange movements and suggested the possibility of an occupation by the Argentine armed forces. Takes the measures you consider necessary," he recalls a paragraph of the telegram read.

He says he was "treated extremely well" by the Argentine military and that he never met General Mario Menendez, his de facto successor for 73 days. But, the moment he most recalls is when he was obliged to go to the municipality and he refused to shake hands with one of the generals who were in charge of the operation.

"An interpreter advised me to do it as a question of courtesy, and I told him that I thought it was uncivilised to occupy a country," he recalls.

Afterwards, he was ordered to go back to his house and gather his belongings and those of his family, and it is then that the myth of the governor leaving with his uniform on, was born. "I didn't know how to pack it, above all the hat and my son Tony said "Why don't you put it on?" My wife advised me not to do so and told me not to be ridiculous, but I put it on all the same. Obviously the Argentine military were not at all happy," he says.

At the airport he decided to take it off "Because it was not a comfortable suit to travel in an aeroplane, my wife was right." He was then flown to Comodoro Rivadavia "We were there for two hours and I thought that I would be taken to Buenos Aires as a hostage but instead they took us to Montevideo, from where I later returned to England."

On June 24th 1982, ten days after the Argentine surrender, the governor returned to the Islands to carry on in his post until November 1985.

He emphasises that he has been retired since then, even though "what happened in 1982 created a link which will never be broken."

Rex Hunt prefers not to comment on di Tella's intention to visit the Islands with a passport from another country. "I am no longer involved," in the political question.

Do you consider that one day the Islands could be independent?

"Yes, that is certainly a possibility. If oil is discovered, there will be a greater income than that from fishing and I am sure they could be economically independent. Now, everything is independent except for defence. I think that the future here is spectacular, as long as the Argentines don't try and get the sovereignty of the Islands."

Do you think that in the future there will be an agreement between Argentina and the United Kingdom?

"The only possible way for a solution to the conflict is for Argentina to formally renounce its claim."

LA NACION 23/11/97

Two Argentine women in Falkland Islands

Maria Strange is one of the two Argentines who live in Stanley and accompanied, as interpreter, the 15 relatives who yesterday returned from their humanitarian 24-hour visit to the Falkland Islands.

Maria is from Adroque and has lived here for 25 years, when she moved here with her first husband, an Anglo-Argentine who had relatives and property in the Falklands.

Now she is married to a British man and they have a daughter from the Islands.

Along with a group of officials from the Islands government, Maria spent Wednesday night in Darwin, the same town where the group of relatives stayed. In a brief chat, near to the cemetery, Maria said that the relatives were "happy and "had a good night."

But nothing more than that. Maria

speaks Castellano with a pronounced, English accent, and, she said, has never wanted to speak to the press. Following this, yesterday she rejected an interview with *La Nacion*. "I'm not interested," she said.

Her position is understandable: Maria is considered by the Islanders as just another one of them and it is logical that she does not want to have any problems, especially concerning the territorial dispute.

The other Argentine woman who lives here in Lillian Wallace. She has lived in the islands for 22 years, but was born in a Patagonian city in our country: Comodoro Rivadavia. She currently works in the agriculture department in the Island. She didn't want to talk either.

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President Carlos Menem yesterday (Sunday) ratified that during his visit to the United Kingdom, during the second half of 1998, "the sovereignty will be spoken about."

During a press conference which the President gave in Olivos (his official residence-HB) the President also denied that the British government has imposed as a principal condition of his trip to London, not to deal with, nor even tangentially, the Argentine sovereignty claim over the archipelago.

The Falklands have been present in the Argentine press in the last two weeks, because of the visit of the relatives of soldiers who died during the 1982 war to Darwin cemetery, and because of the Islands Governor Richard Ralph's statements to *La Nacion* that the visit of any Argentine official is not welcome in the Islands, following Foreign Minister Guido di Tella's expressing his wish to visit the Islands using a foreign passport.

WOOL MARKET REPORT 21 NOVEMBER 1997

It was a week of finer wool auctions in Australia and consequently smaller weights of wool were on sale, ahead of larger offerings next week. The Australian Eastern Market Index rose 2 cents on the week, to close at 710 A cents. On Tuesday one bale of 15.4 micron Merino fleece wool sold at 23,600 A cents/kg. The next day a bale of 13.4 micron Saxon Merino fleeces attracted even more serious interest, achieving a price of 34,000 A cents/kg. In spite of this, the superfine Merino indicator closed 160 cents lower than at the end of October, at 1,414 A cents.

New Zealand showed mixed price changes, with their Indicator 3 cents lower at 458 cents. A sale of British wool (5% lower) was affected by this slightly softer trend and demand was limited by a payment date of 17.12.97, just before the Christmas recess.

STOCK AND CURRENCY MARKETS

Asia is being seen to have a growing banking crisis, which dominated trading on a number of stock exchanges yesterday. "Fears that the region is facing a protracted period of high interest rates and worries about the funding position of some banks combined to send the sector sharply lower." (FT) The relevance of this to all wool markets, is via Australia, which has over a third of its exports going into the affected Asian economies.

Demand for the Australian dollar has declined of late. At the start of the new wool season in July, the Australian dollar stood at A\$2.23 to the pounds; since then it has weakened to its current rate of A\$2.46. The effect has been a ten percent reduction in Australian export prices in Sterling terms. High quality Australian fleece 23 micron wools are on sale for about 270 pence/kg, which is currently capping the sterling wool market.

THE AGENCY

The Agency has developed some good contracts for next year: 29 micron fleece @ 265 pence/kg compares well with current Australian prices.

The itinerary for my forthcoming visit to farms during December has been finalised and will be airmailed.

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Letter from the Gambia

Further extracts from letters written by Rachel Fowler, teaching in *The Gambia for a year, to her family in the Falklands*

I HAD my first lie-in since I've been here this morning, and even then, at 10.30, someone burst into my room and started opening the windows and sweeping. I say 'someone' because I'd certainly never seen her before. It may sound alarming but I'm getting used to such random occurrences now.

I'm dreading tomorrow and don't think I can face another day (never mind another week) at school. Last week was the first week and an absolute nightmare.

Monday - they said, "can you just take any class and talk to them for a while." Four hours later I was hot, sweaty and close to tears having only managed to 'talk' for about twenty minutes and spent the rest of the time wanting to run away.

Tuesday - they said, "no, don't bother going back to your class - let's do the timetable instead." Because, of course, there was no way the timetable could be done before the term started as they had to wait to see which teachers actually turn

up. Wednesday - back to, "pick a class, any class." Luckily Rebecca, Jo and I had prepared some games, though they unfortunately only lasted for two and a half hours out of the five we were supposed to fill.

Thursday - I saved the day by suggesting they give us the key to the special needs room the volunteers had set up last year. This meant we were able to hide in there all day, plus I nearly wept with joy when we discovered the cupboard was well-stocked with materials and instructions never to let the other teachers discover our stash!

Friday - suddenly the timetable was finished and we were expected to teach there and then - never mind the absolute lack of any materials or resources. We even had to provide our own chalk.

Anyway, the outcome of everything is that I am teaching ten periods of English a week and nine of...wait for it...Art and Craft. I know, I know, don't laugh. I must

have been momentarily knocked unconscious, or hypnotised, or something to agree to that, but it's too late now, and it might be fun!

It was a very funny week though. Many times when I was standing in front of the class I did feel as if my body had been possessed by Mum's spirit - much expressive waving of arms and shouting etc etc!

My biggest embarrassment came when I taught the class 'Pictionary' on Wednesday. They really loved it and whipped through all the objects - candle, bread, book, shadow etc really fast. It was when I decided to expand the game and try to draw emotions that it all went pear-shaped.

I drew 'happy' just as a big smiley face and they seemed to understand. Then I asked one boy to volunteer. I wrote the word 'sad' on a piece of paper and also whispered it to him. He began to draw a series of dots and then furious scribbles over them. I was so impressed and gushed vocally to all the class about his artistic impression of the word and how sometimes we could express emotion better through pictures than words.

The artist in question shifted uncomfortably in his seat, the rest of the class looked puzzled. Finally someone said, "I think that's sand, Miss Jatta." I looked in horror from the artist's nodding head to the picture of what was, unmistakably, sand on the blackboard.

There was nothing I could do but mutter, "Hmm, yes - definitely sand - right, next picture." and go back to objects like 'man' and 'tree'.

Rebecca, now Fatou Jammah, had her turn when she marched purposefully into a Year 8 classroom, determined to be assertive and aggressive, only to be attacked by a chicken in the corner which she had unknowingly put her bag

Chile last Saturday, on his eighth bike and 39th tyre.

Four years into his odyssey his spinning wheels have clocked up 145,000 kilometres crossing the continents of Africa, Asia, Australia and America (North and South) even managing to be in Atlanta during last year's Olympic Games.

Not surprisingly Jumber drinks no alcohol and advocates the joys of doing press-ups with the enthusiasm of a confirmed zealot. He



Jumber (pictured right) began doing press-ups. And he found he enjoyed doing press-ups. He also found he was good at doing press-ups. He enjoyed doing press-ups

The journeys of Jumber Lezhava

SO you've reached the half century: you're fifty years old. You've been educated, raised a family and seen them off into the world. You've had a successful career and earned the respect of your peers. You apparently have it all and yet...you are bored to distraction - and you may, in these days of increasing longevity, still only be halfway to the end of your normal lifespan.

So what do you do? Become an avid gardener? A couch potato? Take up philately, or golf, or crown green bowling. In real extremis there is always formation ballroom dancing with the blue rinse dowagers waiting to welcome you with twin sets and pearls and inescapable open arms.

Or, you could do something completely different.

Like Jumber Lezhava, a 58 year old mathematician from the Republic of Georgia (until a few years ago part of the old USSR).

His mid-life renaissance began with a life-saving operation at the age of 47, and the simple idea that he wanted to achieve a reasonable level of fitness. Normal enough, and not an unusual desire in men of that age, but what followed might, for most of us, seem somewhat over-ambitious, over-energetic, and, definitely, more than a little extreme.

Jumber (pictured right) began doing press-ups. And he found he enjoyed doing press-ups. He also found he was good at doing press-ups. He enjoyed doing press-ups

so much he went on doing them. And on...and on...and on...

Until he started setting world records and found his name in the Guinness Book of Records. First came the one hour record: 5,011 press-ups. Then five hours: 16,274. Six hours: 19,376. Twelve hours: 34,955, and twenty four hours: 44,141. Think about that last record. He averaged less than two seconds for each press-up for twenty four hours!

And there was more to come. He notched up 1,720,000 press-ups in 100 days (averaging 17,300 press-ups every day), and finally a massive total of 4,800,000 in a single year.

Physical challenges enough for anyone, you would think. Jumber, a stocky, balding man radiating good health, would disagree. At age 54, in 1993, in true Jumber spirit, he set off round the world on a bicycle; his target, to visit 227 countries in eight years. So far he has pedalled through 80 major countries, finally arriving in the Falkland Islands (number 81) from

down on.

I also had a feathered friend experience when a newly hatched, foetus like chick from a nest in the roof of a classroom fell onto one girl's desk and lay there quivering, causing waves of panic among the kids and leaving me only able to whisper, "somebody do something... please!"

After the offending creature had been matter-of-factly removed by one of the boys I first felt a bit sick and then had hysterical laughter for about five minutes.

Of course the timetable they gave us was completely wrong so we spent most of the second week running from classroom to classroom trying to find where we were meant to be before finally succumbed to the Gambian teacher's attitude of 'sit back, relax, let the kids find you'.

The heat is still unbearable and getting worse. It's like a 24 hour, hot, wet blanket being wrapped round you. They say October is the worst month and it's all downhill from there - I hope so. I can't take much more of being white and overweight in this weather.

I heard from Will in China the other day he had just had the air conditioning installed and spent the day watching videos and making snacks in the microwave. Initially I felt jealous and then thought, "No!" He made hardly any mention of life outside their flat whereas I am doing so many things I worry about not spending enough time with the family. There is no way I would swap my new experiences and the warmth and generosity of the people for a little bit of electricity!

I had a dream about being on the telephone to Mum last night - is she trying to communicate telepathically?

Next week: Malaria? Or not?

speaks five languages, though his English is heavily accented (glottal even) and emphasised by the symphony his arms seem to be permanently conducting.

The dynamism that has driven him thus far is never far from the surface. He is not short of self-respect, but the thought that he is an ordinary man accomplishing extraordinary things does not seem to occur to him. Thanking the people of the Islands for their many kindnesses, and in particular Monsignor Agreiter for putting him up, seems much higher on his list of priorities.

Jumber leaves the Islands for Punta Arenas on Saturday, November 29. From there he hopes to be able to get to Antarctica though cost may be prohibitive. Whichever route he takes he will not go unnoticed. He is a splash of hopeful colour; a reminder that there are many different ways of growing old gracefully.

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Salary for this post is in grade G ranging from £10,176 to £12,720 per annum, entry point being dependent on the successful applicants relevant qualifications and experience.

Further information regarding this post can be obtained by contacting the Department of Agriculture on telephone number 27355 during normal working hours. Application forms and a job description are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4pm on Tuesday 9th December 1997.

The Secretariat, Stanley.

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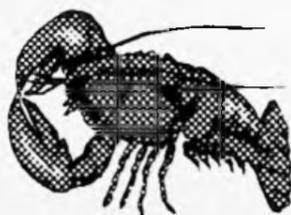
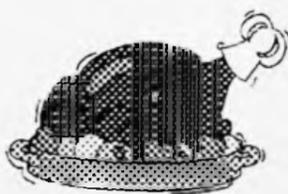
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Interested persons should contact the Foreman, Mr Trevor Morrison on telephone number 27182 during normal working hours for further information of the duties involved.

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Golf News from Stanley Golf Club

By Frank Jackson

COMPETITIONS arranged during the visit of Sir Rex Hunt and Bernard Gallacher proved to be a resounding success for two local golfers.

On Saturday morning twenty two members competed in an 18 hole medal. This resulted in a win for Glen Ross who sank three birdies in a superb round of 59.

The full result was:

1 Glen Ross	59
2 Mike Summers	64
3 Kevin Clapp	65
4 Adie Lowe	66
5 Sir Rex Hunt	71

Bernard Gallacher was on hand to present the prizes.

On Sunday the golf tour moved

across to Goose Green where 25 members played for the President's Bowl, one of the main competitions of the season. In cool and windy conditions scoring was more difficult than on the previous day with ten players in contention coming to the 18th green. In the final reckoning winner of the President's Bowl was the in form Troyd Bowles on countback from John Jones.

Sir Rex Hunt, presented the prizes. The Golf Club's thanks and appreciation got to June McMullen for her hospitality; to Tony McMullen for preparing an excellent course; to Falklands Landholdings for providing refreshments; and to Bernard Gallacher for taking full part in the event.

This week sees Bernard Gallacher coaching and playing at Fox Bay and Port Howard, returning to Stanley for final coaching sessions on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. On Thursday evening there will be a nine hole, three club Stableford competition between 4pm and 5pm. This will be followed by a BBQ from 7pm onward, and a short review by Bernard of his golfing experiences at the very top level.

All members and partners are welcome for an evening not to be missed.

The prize winners were:

1 Troyd Bowles	35 points
2 John Jones	35 points
3 Simon Goodwin	34 points
Best Front Nine Gary Clement	
Best Back Nine Tony McMullen	

Nearest the Pins Don Henry and Rod Tuckwood

Longest Drive Dusty Miller
Professional's Prize Bernard Gallacher

Appropriately, Club President.

Cricket News

By Stephen Tyldsley

Stanley go down fighting

IN their inaugural match the newly formed Stanley Cricket Club took on a strong MPA team, away from home, on Sunday, November 23.

Stanley won the toss and elected to bat first. In very cold, blustery conditions MPA produced a very strong bowling performance, managing to restrict Stanley to 67 for 9 off 25 overs.

Star performance for Stanley came from Pete Daniels who carried his bat for 31 runs.

MPA began their innings as if they wanted to get back in the pavilion and out of the wind in short order, taking 11 runs off the first

over, but Stanley dug in and strong bowling performances from Rosie Hickey and Roger Diggle (two wickets each) allowed the visitors to make a game of it. It was not until the eighteenth over that MPA reached the winning total of 70 for 5 wickets.

Stanley Cricket Club have several more matches planned and will be holding further practice sessions every Wednesday between 6 and 8pm at the Playing Fields.

Any new players will be most welcome. For further details contact Steve on 22498 or Andy on 27167.

Public Notice

APPLICATIONS are invited to fill a clerical vacancy in the Philatelic Bureau.

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Salary is in Grade G ranging from £10,176 to £12,720 per annum, entry point being dependent on the successful applicant's qualifications and relevant experience.

Further details of the post can be obtained by contacting Mr Anton Livermore, the Chief Clerk, Philatelic Bureau, during normal working hours. Application forms are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that department no later than 4.00pm on Monday, December 1, 1997.

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The Soccer Scene

By Patrick Watts

THE 1997/1998 Stanley Services Football League season will kick off on Sunday, November 30, with a double header when Redsox take on the Globe Tavern (kick-off 4pm) followed by Argos against Foster's Ice at 6pm.

League fixtures are scheduled for Tuesday and Friday evenings and representative games on Sunday afternoons. The first major fixture will be on Thursday, November 27, at 5.30pm when Stanley play their perennial rivals HMS Endurance.

League teams should be registered with the new secretary, Annie Gisby, at the Pink Shop by Wednesday, November 26, along with the £10 subscription fee from each player. Failure to pay subscriptions this season by December 15 will result in the suspension of the offending player.

Troyd Bowles is the Chairman this season with Elizabeth Crabbe continuing as Treasurer. Committee members are Migs Cofre, Paul Riddell, Tom Chater and Douglas Clark.

The first team kit is being sponsored jointly this season by Stanley Services and the Upland Goose Hotel.

On the disciplinary front, two

yellow cards brings a one match suspension and a red card a two match ban.

The new FIFA rules have been adopted in that goalkeepers must release the ball before six seconds have elapsed...a goal can be scored direct from the kick-off, a goalkeeper can move along the goal-line during the taking of a penalty but he cannot now handle the ball directly from a throw-in.

Following the successful 50th Anniversary of the club visit to Punta Arenas last season, all players present at the AGM indicated their willingness to help fund their travel expenses if another trip could be arranged later this season.

While four teams are expected to contest the league championship this season, and most players have already been assigned to teams, if there is anyone who wishes to play soccer on a regular basis and is without a team, then they should contact the secretary, Anne Gisby, on 21399, or Chairman, Troyd Bowles, on 21189 as soon as possible, and every effort will be made to accommodate all those wishing to play this season.

Transfers between teams cannot take place unless authorised by the Committee.

BEACHENE Fishing and Trading Co. Ltd., require a clerk for their busy retail office, to commence work early January. Applicants should be competent in the use of Windows 95 using Excel and Microsoft Word. Knowledge of Sage would also be helpful. Dealing with the public is an essential part of the job, therefore a pleasant and cheerful personality is required.

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Contact: Stuart Wallace or Jan Cheek on telephone 22616 or call at Fortuna's offices in Waverley House to discuss the work involved.

On Monday the December 1 at 7pm in the Geography Room at the Community School Robin Woods will be holding a presentation of some 60 slides of the endemic plants of Motley and Middle Island. Robin will also be discussing Falklands Conservation's plans for a possible management plan for both Motley and Middle Island. Everyone is welcome to attend this presentation.

Well-baby/child clinic Monday 1st December 5-6pm in the Day Centre of KEMH Contact Miranda Cheek, Health Visitor on 27418

An encouraging gathering enjoyed another evening of Auction Bridge on the 26 November. Prize winners were: 1st Mr & Mrs D Roberts, 2nd Mrs J Middleton & D Petterson Booby: with a record score of JUST 650 - Mr & Mrs B Hill. The next Bridge evening, which is scheduled for Wednesday 10th December is the pre-Xmas drive. Players are asked to bring a few cookies for the coffee table, and to remember their gimmick parcel for the black bag.

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PERSONAL



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Sue and Derek Howatt would like to thank the doctors and nursing staff at the KEMH for their kindness and care towards Frank during his illness. A special thank you from us to Connie and Frances.

Pauline and Aidan Kerr thank everyone who helped with Fergal's safe birth, particularly Dr's Botto and McGuire, Ms Mandy Heathman and the surgical team. Thanks also to KEMH staff for your care and attention and to everyone who sent us cards, gifts and congratulations. We are delighted!

A huge thank you to everyone who helped with Kate's arrival, especially Mandy and Richard (glad the crash course came in handy so quickly). Also thank you very much to everyone for the gifts, cards, good wishes and kind thoughts. And another huge thank you to mum for running around so much, and dad at the other end of the fax machine From Anna and Tim

Postscript - from The Tabernacle

For many people, the question, "Is there a God or not?" has never been resolved. They won't say God exists, but they won't say He doesn't either. Is it enough to leave it at that? It depends on how one answers the question, "Does life have a purpose?" Have we been born into this world, with all our qualities, by sheer accident? If such thoughts make us wonder, it is comforting to know that God Himself spurs us to investigate. Speaking through Jesus, He told us to seek, and we would find; ask, and it would be given to us, knock, and the door would be open. The Bible, God's word to all mankind, makes His existence clear. Psalm 19 says *The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge. There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard. Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.* So for those who would see, yes there is a God but He is not an impersonal being. He cares about us as individuals, even to the number of hairs on our heads He knows everything about us, even our darkest secrets. It is because He loves us that He sent Jesus who said, *I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me; it is only through belief in Jesus and putting our trust in Him, obeying His instruction for our lives that we have forgiveness for all our dark side and so peace with God.*

VACANCY

VACANCY - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Applications are invited by the Falkland Islands Company Ltd for the position of Administrative Assistant. This position will be based at FIPASS. Duties will include general office administration. A knowledge of administrative procedures, and word processing is essential. Applications for this position are to be submitted to the FIPASS Manager c/o Falkland Islands Company Ltd, Crozier Place, Gordon Forbes Construction (Falklands) Ltd invite applications from experienced JCB 3C/JCB 4C operators for their West Tracks Contract.

Applications should be made in writing with full details of relevant experience to PO Box 28 Stanley or in person to the West Tracks Camp at Hill Cove

Cable & Wireless has a vacancy for a full-time telephone operator to commence duties as soon as possible. The work involves providing operator assistance and directory enquiries for both the national and international telephone service and a VHF radiotelephone service. A seven-day shift system is worked, including weekends and public holidays. For further details contact John Macaskill on 20823. Applications in writing should be addressed to the General Manager Cable & Wireless and should be received on or before Monday 1st December.

Byron Marine Limited have vacancies for their vessels for the following staff: One Engine Room/General Purpose Rating, Ordinary Seaman, and One Junior Catering Rating. Each of the above vacancies will require the successful applicants to commence work in January 1998. For further details, please contact our office on Tel 22245 during office hours.

Fortuna Ltd requires sea-going representatives to work on Taiwanese and Japanese jiggers in the illex fishery for approximately four months from mid February 1998. Applicants should preferably have a degree in marine biology, be physically fit and able to work in sometimes difficult conditions. Payment will include an allowance for every day spent at sea. For further information and full details of remuneration please contact Fortuna Ltd., Waverley House, Philomel Street, Stanley. Tel +500 22616 Fax +500 22617

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Councillors to speak at Dependent Territories Conference

COUNCILLORS Mike Summers and Norma Edwards, are to attend a Dependent Territories Association Conference on February 4, at which Councillor Summers will give a talk on 'Management of Development of the Dependent Territory Economy'. The councillors will also be attending talks on subjects including, 'The constitutional status of dependent territories in the 21st century, Rights and responsibilities in the dependent territory,' and the relationship between the European Union and dependent territories.

During the time that Councillor Summers and Councillor Edwards will be in the United Kingdom there allegedly exists the possibility that they will appear at the first 'Falklands Up-date' on February 3, one of a series of one-day meetings designed to take the place of the Argentine British Conferences. However, when asked by *Penguin News* for details of this option, a representative from the councillors office, said, "absolutely nothing has been confirmed on this subject".

Tenants told to go

AN unknown number of Stanley tenants are reported to have been given notice to quit their homes by FIG officials. A treasury spokesman refused to comment, but in at least one of the cases, arrears with rent is alleged to be the cause of the notice.

Asked if FIG had plans to employ a bailiff, the spokesman told *Penguin News* that though government legislation allowing the appointment of a bailiff does exist, he could make no further comment.

Public Meeting

THERE will be a public meeting in the Court and Council Chamber at 5pm on Tuesday, December 9, with Baroness Hooper and Lord Montgomery. Everyone is welcome to attend and put questions to these influential members of The House of Lords.



Above: Photographer, Norman Clark, captures the scene of an accident involving a military vehicle on the Mount Pleasant Road on November 25. In this case there were no severe injuries, however, over the years the road has claimed six lives.

Currency crisis for Koreans may mean problems for Falklands' economy

IN a 'helpful gesture', the Falkland Islands Government have reduced the cost of Illex licence fees for Korean fishing companies suffering financially as a result of the severely devalued yen.

A currency crisis in South East Asian countries may have a 'knock on' effect on the economy of the Falkland Islands. A large proportion of the 12 million pounds revenue from the Illex fishery in the

Falkland Islands is generated by Korean Fishing Companies. However, due to severe currency problems they may not be able to pay for fishing licences in the Islands. How much this crisis will actually affect the Falklands will not be known for certain until licences must be paid for.

The Falkland Islands Government are attempting to help the Korean companies by decreasing

the Illex licence fees by 10%, and have allowed more time before deposit payments should be made. Deposit payments of 10% of the total fee and the opening letters of credit should have been completed by December 1, but FIG extended the deadline until 12 noon on December 5. The balance of the deposit and letters of credit do not now have to be presented until December 19.

Falkland Islands Association fight back

IN a battle of memoranda, the Falklands lobby group, The Falkland Islands Association (FIA) responded to contacts made by rival group, the South Atlantic Council

(SAC), by presenting a five page memorandum to the British Foreign Office in which it urges Britain to maintain its traditional support for the status quo.

Led by Sir Rex Hunt, the FIA were reacting to an initiative by the SAC, a group which is seen in the Islands, and by the FIA, as strongly pro-Argentine.

The Council, a group of London-based businessmen and academics with strong expatriate Argentine support, had sent a memorandum to the Minister with responsibility for the Islands and Argentina, Tony Lloyd, claiming that the Government must look seriously at a number of possible solutions to the 'dispute'. Their list, which was reported on in *Penguin News* on August 29, ranged from total independence for Islanders to close association with Argentina.

Acting with the blessing of councillors in Stanley, the FIA has responded with its own memorandum to Mr Lloyd in which it totally refutes the Council's ideas. Fundamentally, the Association claim that their opponents choose to ignore totally Islanders' right to self-determination.

Sir Rex and his colleagues go on to deny that any of the SAC's ideas can work - at least at this stage.

Information provided by Merco Press.

Gurkhas triumph in Commando Challenge



A team of Gurkhas on attachment to the 1st Battalion Princess of Wales Regiment display medals won in the Commando Challenge. Report page 10.

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UNLIKE many Islanders I have, shamefully, never been a particularly committed 'radio news' person, firstly perhaps, because of my preference for immersing myself in the comfortingly unreal world of the novel, and secondly, possibly due to some deep seated resentment of the radio as a result of childhood memories of being exiled from the kitchen whenever the BBC News and Sports round-up came on 'the box'. In fact even now (and like most others of my generation, I presume) while I find the goings on in the wider world an absorbing subject I still have a tendency to be rather more partial to sources providing 'sound and vision' as opposed to sound only.

That said, and despite the fact that I, and my family are dedicated fans of the excellent services provided by KTV, it was a delight on Monday to be able to revel in the satisfying thought that I was watching news from Britain only a few hours after my in-laws in Winchester had done the same. (I must confess however, that this frisson of pleasure could not compare to my extremely unsophisticated display of rapture at the sight of a 'Falklands' weather report on television!)

It appears clear that this past year, or so, will be recorded in Falklands' history books as a watershed in communications for we Islanders, not just in terms of being aware of general world news (for it is appropriate to note that residents of this country have never been particularly insular with regard to that subject) but for the business world in particular, the increased use of international phone and fax and the launch of the new earth station, bringing with it access to the internet. And, while all these innovations (to the Falklands, that is) carry with them a myriad of practical uses and the deservedly positive connotations conjured up by the word 'communication', I am reminded of some wry words written (if memory serves me correctly) by Sir Rex Hunt in a newsletter for *Penguin News* some years ago. On the subject of speed of modern communications Sir Rex bemoaned the fact that there simply wasn't, 'time to think any more.' Answers to questions are demanded immediately; queries require rapid research - contemplation at leisure has, it seems, become a thing of the past. And, in fact, with respect to the Falklands itself, only a few weeks ago, a member of my family commented tetchily (having read a *Penguin News* interview with Mr Ian Cox, in which he referred to the 'new buoyancy of the Falklands'), "I don't like this new Falklands." My relative was not - I think - denying a need for the Islands to develop, but simply expressing a vague regret that we were losing something almost intangible, best described perhaps as a 'cosiness', a feeling that (excuse the cliché) our close-knit community is being diluted by our greater contact with the rest of the world. Where once we relied on each other for support, we can now seek quick advice from countless other sources.

As it happens, I like this 'new Falklands'. I am not convinced that to go forward we must lose all of the good parts of the 'old Falklands'. Call me naive, but I believe we are intrinsically honest people, who, despite our broadening horizons, exposure to outside influences and encouragement, and money, do not necessarily have to become a land of self-seekers, able to communicate with the rest of the world but not with each other.

APOLOGIES to our readers for the lack of coverage of the recent visit by Sir Rex Hunt. An interview was arranged with him near the end of his visit, however, presumably due to his increasingly hectic schedule he was unable to attend.



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Your letters Voice from the past

In requesting membership with the Falkland Islands Association in London, Mr Alan Wells included the following details of his experience of the Islands. Mr Ted Clapp of the FIA passed on the letter to *Penguin News*, for the interest of readers.

IN 1938 I went to work for the Vestey Group Union International and was sent out to live in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where I worked in their plant called the *Frigorifico Anglo* (prior to that I used to be in the OTC at school, and joined the HAC in 1937 in the then Infantry Battalion). I had signed up for service at the British Embassy Buenos Aires in the event of war, and in September 1939 was sent down to Port Stanley, together with about 35 other volunteers from Buenos Aires and Montevideo in Uruguay. Some of us left in late December, but did not get back

to London until June or July 1940 - it was not so easy to get a shipping berth - and in due course I was sent out to India and was commissioned in the Indian Artillery travelling through all countries from Libya to Burma.

But I have never forgotten the Falklands and still have my photographs. We lived in the Cathedral Hall, and after some soldiering, drank, played golf behind the Governor's House (Sir Herbert Henneker Heaton, I think), played hockey, rugby and of course rode out for penguin eggs. The ship we travelled in was the *SS Lafonia*.

There may still be one or two members of that party still alive somewhere.

Alan J Wells
4 Morecombe Close,
Kingston Hill, Kingston-Upon-Thames, Surrey

Public Notice

Vacancy - Clerk in the Post Office

APPLICATIONS are invited to fill a vacancy for the established post of Clerk in the Post Office.

The main duties of the post will involve sorting and franking mail but some counter work will be required from time to time when the Counter Clerks are on leave. A smart appearance and a pleasant manner when dealing with the general public will be essential.

The successful candidate will be required to work a basic 37½ hour week from Monday to Friday. Actual hours of work may need to be flexible as the Post Office remains open through the lunch hour. Overtime may be required on some Friday evenings and Saturday mornings to sort and distribute airmail.

Salary for the post will be in Grade G and range from £10,176 to £12,720. Entry point will depend upon age, qualifications and previous relevant experience.

Further details of this position may be obtained from the Postmaster, Mr Jimmy Stephenson, during normal office hours. Applications forms are available from the Human Resources Department, Secretariat. Completed application forms should be forwarded to the Chairman, Appointments Board, by 4.00pm on Monday 15th December 1997.

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Royal Marines Chief in Falklands visit

THE Commandant General of the Royal Marines, Major-General David Pennefather CB OBE, has arrived in the Islands for an official six day visit as the special guest of the Falkland Islands Government at the forthcoming Battle Day celebrations.

Last year's special guest was Major-General Mike Scott, Colonel of the Scots Guards during the 1982 conflict.

Major-General David Pennefather was born in 1945 and commissioned into the Royal Marines in 1963. He has strong connections with the Falkland Islands having been on Major General Sir Jeremy Moore's staff in 1982. Following the Argentine surrender he was one of the first guests to stay in Government House.

His links with the South Atlantic precede 1982, though, and actually begin with his father who participated in the Battle of the River Plate, visited the Falklands

aboard *HMS Exeter*, and subsequently served on the Falkland Islands Committee.

His visit also celebrates the long-standing connection of the Royal Marines with the Islands and coincides with the 21st anniversary of the granting of the Freedom of Stanley to the Royal Marines.

During his visit, Major-General Pennefather will meet elected councillors, visit San Carlos, to lay a wreath at the Blue Beach Cemetery, and the battlefields at Darwin/Goose Green, Mount Harriet and the Two Sisters.

He also hopes to meet former Royal Marines now living in Stanley, visit Sea Lion Island and Port Howard, and unveil a plaque dedicated to five Royal Marines buried on Saunders Island between 1766 and 1770.

Major-General Pennefather, who will be accompanied by his wife, Sheila, will stay at Government House while in Stanley.

BFBS go live - almost

FOLLOWING the opening of the Cable & Wireless Earth Station last week, with its attendant increase in communications potential, the British Forces Broadcasting Serv-

ice, Mr Richard Ralph, officially opened the service.

Islanders and military alike will now be able to enjoy their favourite BFBS programmes on the same

day they are broadcast in other parts of the world. News will be immediate and up to date, and sport, for instance, will often be live, or almost, particularly with programmes like *Grandstand* on Saturday afternoons.

Despite this new and very welcome service from BFBS, completely live television in the Falklands still remains the province of KTV who pioneered satellite services and now offer a wide selection of channels to the public, on subscription, including live sport (ESPN), CNN, BBC World News, cartoons and, of course, movie channels.

ice took their turn this week to step firmly into the 21st century with the inauguration of their new 'same day' television service to the Falkland Islands which began on Monday, December 1.

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Above: Engineer Martin Bowd demonstrates the technology necessary to the new service.

Below: Affable BFBS station boss, Dusty Miller, in celebratory mood after weeks of work and worry to get the service up and running.

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Remembering Frank Howatt



FRANK Howatt was born on March 16th 1916 in Glasgow, as his parents had left the Falklands for his father to join the Merchant Navy during the First World War. The family returned to the Falklands in 1919 where Frank grew up with his brothers, Donnie and Eric, and sister Evelyn. All the family returned to the United Kingdom in the 1930's except Frank.

During his school days Frank developed an interest in boxing, was coached by his father and earned the nickname of 'Tunney' from a match he won at the same time that Gene Tunney won the heavyweight title from the great Jack Dempsey in 1926.

Frank started work on the Estate Louis Williams as peat boy at the age of eleven, and when he left school was taken on as messenger boy, delivering groceries to customers on a bicycle with a basket on the front. He worked his way up to Chief Storekeeper in which position he retired in 1977. Apart from serving on outpost at Sapper Hill during the Second World War Frank worked all his life at the Globe Store. Frank will be remembered by many for his accurate slicing up of butter and cheese and for knowing where to locate any of the wide range of items stocked by the firm.

In 1941 he married Lizzie Smith and they raised four children - Joy, Linda, Derek and Jeanie. For around 30 years the family home was at No 7 John Street. When Frank was not at work at the Globe Store he spent a great deal of his time maintaining his property, tending a vegetable garden and keeping the home fires burning with a good supply of peat. For leisure Frank loved to visit his friends in the Camp, which was on horseback during his courting years with Lizzie, and in later years by vehicle to places such as Brookfield and Port Louis. He also enjoyed a few short snorts and a

game of snooker next door at the FIDF club, dancing, and the annual Sports Meetings. Frank had a healthy appetite and loved traditional Falkland meals of roast goose, lamb, mutton and beef. Suppers before peat cutting were usually a couple of fried penguin eggs.

Frank and Lizzie, with their granddaughter Helen, decided to go away to England to live in 1977 for medical and family reasons. Shortly after settling in Gosport Lizzie was diagnosed with bone cancer and Frank nursed her until she died in his arms at their home in March 1980. After several return visits the call of the Falklands was too strong for Frank to resist and he returned permanently in 1991 to be with his friends and son Derek and daughter-in-law Sue.

Frank enjoyed travelling and had several holidays overseas mainly in the UK. A recent holiday he enjoyed was to Australia and New Zealand to visit his brother Eric and other family members and friends. A particularly proud moment for Frank was representing, with others, the Falkland Islands at the VJ Day celebrations in London 1995. Although he enjoyed his overseas trips Frank was just as content when travelling around the Islands and in particular visiting the farms on the coastal vessels with his seafaring friends.

Frank was diagnosed with cancer a year ago and despite extensive medical treatment which prolonged his life, he finally succumbed to the illness and died in hospital on 26th November 1997.

Frank led a full and active life and was both a social and a family man. He is survived by a brother and sister, four children, ten grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. He will be sadly missed by them all.

Frank will be remembered by many for his firm handshake and cheerful character.

Ex Ryder Cup Captain, Bernard Gallacher agrees that there is... A future for golf in the Falklands

LOOKING relaxed in the Upland Goose Hotel, if a little sunburnt, after his busy golfing schedule last week, ex Ryder Cup Captain, Bernard Gallacher joked about Sir Rex Hunt's diplomatic approach when he persuaded Bernard to visit the Islands with the aim of encouraging golfing in the Falklands. "He first asked me if I could think of a young 'pro' who would be prepared to come down here in the summer months to give a few lessons, but then went quickly on to suggest that if I couldn't actually think of anyone, perhaps I would consider visiting," explained Gallacher.

Bernard Gallacher, a golfing professional between the years of 1968 and 1994, and once the resident professional at Wentworth Golf Club, is married with three children. "I'm resting at present," he explained, "and enjoying every minute of it." In fact he normally 'only' plays golf every other day at present, and laughingly commented that his wife was now, "the keen golfer," in the family.

"Sir Rex was prompted to ask me to visit the Islands after the Island Games in Jersey," he explained in an interview with *Penguin News*. "Sir Rex realised that the team just didn't have the tuition or facilities to get them up to the required standard." He explained that golfers (other than the Falklands team) in the Games had been playing in far better conditions, so the Islanders were basically unequal to the challenge.

To the delight of local golfers, the professional agreed to visit the Islands, arriving on November 18, ready for the gruelling schedule set up by golf club committee member, Mike Summers. "The first part of the schedule was tiring," said Gallacher, who was still suffering from jet lag at that time. One of his first tasks was to 'work' with a large group of school children. "I started

by trying to impress them," he explained. Once they had seen how it 'should be done', he lectured them on the fundamentals (stance, swing etc.) before giving some individual tuition. Impressed by their enthusiasm, he commented that with practice, a few good golfers could emerge, "particularly from the girls." The most enthusiastic of the group returned for further lessons later during the visit, and both he, and PE teacher Rosie Hickey (described by Gallacher as "a really good golfer.") were amazed to see genuine improvement in the technique of some of the pupils.

Travelling around the Camp was a revelation to Bernard who was deeply impressed not only by the skill of local pilots ("practically landing in farmer's back yards") but by the casual acceptance by the passengers of what he felt the average British person would perceive as the dangers of landing on grass strips in high winds. Goose Green, Fox Bay and Port Howard all received a visit from Bernard, a few games and tips on such potential problems as local golfers developing bad habits as a result of the constant strong wind. He paid tribute, during the interview, to the



Top and right: Some individual tuition from Bernard Gallacher

'hard working' Campers, but in particular to the golf course at Rincon Ridge Farm (Sharon and Leon Marsh) which, he said, "had great potential."

Asked how he thought the Stanley Course could be improved, he said, that without the butchery, and if the golf club could somehow get a long lease on that ground, a long term plan could contribute to a redesigning of the course. "The problem is," he said, "in the Islands you really are playing a different game altogether, there are no sand hazards or trees, and the terrain is so much rougher."

"Of course," he added, "many of the great golf courses began just like the ones in the Islands, with basic facilities."

On the whole, Bernard felt as a result of his visit, "we've made a step in the right direction." He went on to say that, "Sir Rex seems quite



happy and the committee appears to view the visit as having been worthwhile... as regards golf in the Falklands, every thing is in the early stages, but," he said with great sincerity, "it definitely has a future"

Below: Gallacher fans relax in the sun



Public Notice

Anniversary of the Battle of the Falkland Islands

THE following programme has been arranged for Monday 8th December 1997, to commemorate the victory of the Naval engagements of 8 December 1914 in which 6 British and 2,260 German sailors lost their lives.

At 9.15am detachments of the Royal Navy from *HMS Leeds Castle* and the Falkland Islands Defence Force will enter the Cathedral, where at 9.30am the customary Memorial Service will be held. His Excellency, The Governor, together with the Commander British Forces Falkland Islands Lord Montgomery, Baroness Hooper and Major General Pennefather, Commandant General of the Royal Marines. All members of the public are invited to attend. It is appropriate for decorations and medals to be worn on this occasion.

At the conclusion of the Memorial service, at about 10.15am, the detachments of the Royal Navy and Falkland Islands Defence Force will march to the Battle Memorial led by the Royal Marines Band.

At 10.45am a short ceremony will be held at the Battle Memorial. Detachments of the Royal Navy, the Falkland Islands Defence Force and the Royal Marines Band will be present. Members of the various youth groups will also be present. His Excellency The Governor will inspect the parade, and after prayers, he, the Commander British Forces, the CO *HMS Leeds Castle* and Major General Pennefather will lay wreaths. There will be a fly-past at 11.10am.

After the ceremony at the Battle Memorial there will be a March Past. His Excellency the Governor will take the salute from a dais at the entrance gates to Government House Lawns.

Following the parade there will be a public reception in the Town Hall until 1pm, to which all are cordially invited. The Secretariat, Stanley, PNN: 188/97

£2.5m Earth Station opens

TRADITIONAL telephonic Sunday queues of subscribers waiting to emulate ET and 'phone home' have become a thing of the past, according to Cable and Wireless General manager, Steve Baker, following the commissioning of the new, and long awaited, Earth Station sited on the hillside above the Community School in Stanley.

Councillors, businessmen and local dignitaries gathered at the site on Friday, November 28, to watch his Excellency, the Governor, unveil a small plaque, commemorating the occasion, and officially declare the Station open.

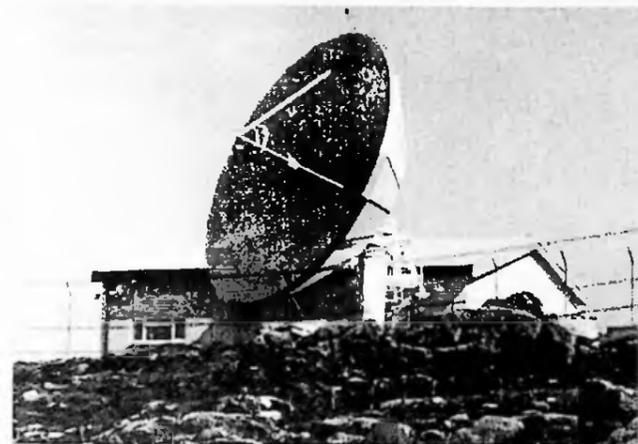
Costing around £2.5 million the Station is a technological triumph utilising state of the art equipment to further open the communications door from the Falklands to the rest of the world.

George Russell is the Managing Director of Cable and Wireless' Indian and Atlantic Ocean Islands Division and has timed his first visit to the Falklands to coincide with the Earth Station opening.

"In real terms," he told *Penguin News*, "this new advance means that the capacity restrictions we had with the existing dish are gone. We've increased from twenty international circuits to thirty two, so the occasional congestion which has occurred in the past has gone."

The new dish and its attendant technology with digital circuits also 'enables' high speed data to be transmitted and received. "Something," Mr Russell said, "that had been a problem with the old dish."

The system has been designed to cope with current demands but is capable of upgrading. "Because



Above: The eleven metre dish pointing permanently at the equator

the whole system is modular we can increase the number of international circuits should the demand require we do so," Steve Baker said. He went on to explain that restrictions are no longer ground based. "The real constraints, he said, "are in the air. The satellites over the Atlantic Ocean are very congested."

The talents of a number of different organisations and companies have gone into the the successful installation of the Earth Station. "Gordon Forbes constructed the buildings," Steve explained, "NEC of Japan were the contractors for the Earth Station itself, there was a different supplier for the power systems, (there are two giant generators to provide an alternative source of electricity in the event of a general power failure) another for the air conditioning, and, of course, our own technology people in UK acted as the project managers."

The most visible part of the new

Station is the huge dish weighing in at some six tons and measuring eleven metres across. So critical is its concave shape that it is designed to a maximum error tolerance of just three millimetres, and is capable of withstanding winds far greater than those normally experienced in the Islands, ie up to 200 miles per hour.

hind the aluminium plates of the dish itself.

Although it appears to be stationary, complex technology allows the dish to shift infinitesimally to track the satellite which is geo-stationary over the equator. "In lay terms," Steve said, "that means that despite its position thousands of miles up in space it holds the same position above the earth's surface, thus appearing from ground-level to be stationary."

One of the biggest innovations as far as the Falklands is concerned, and one that is as significant for the general public as it is for business, is the access Cable and Wireless will soon be offering to the Internet. Anyone with a PC, a modem and the necessary software will be able to download data from an Internet website onto their own hard disk at high speed, and then browse that information at their own leisure without incurring heavy telephone charges.

It puts a whole world of information at the disposal of local business, including political and finan-



Above: Stanley Manager, Steve Baker and Managing Director of the Indian and Atlantic Ocean Islands division of Cable and Wireless, George Russell

If ice was allowed to form in the dish it could be a problem but is prevented by two big blower heaters that automatically switch on at a pre-set temperature and spread a blanket of warm air inside the dish, which is also insulated by polystyrene inserted be-

cial news, share prices, wool market movements, commodities etc etc.

Armchair shopping will become reality with selection, ordering and payment arrangements made, literally, without leaving the computer console.

Stan meets 'Banks of England'

PRIOR to his departure from England last month, local man, and veteran sportsman, Stan Smith, was invited to attend a dinner hosted by Market Drayton Football Club held at a Royal British Legion Club. The dinner was also attended by guest speaker, ex Stoke City and England goal keeper, Gordon Banks, as well as comedian Denny Waters.

Meeting Gordon Banks was a dream come true for Stan, and he wrote to *Penguin News* telling something of the experience.

After the introductory formalities I was taken to my table and to my surprise found myself seated opposite Gordon Banks at the top table. Gordon chatted keenly to us all during the meal, and to me, as a keen football enthusiast, it was a certainly an honour to converse with such a great man. After the meal ended he gave a very interesting talk on the build up to, and

including, England's triumph throughout the 1966 World Cup.

His career as a goalkeeper commenced at the age of fourteen years having only played twice in a school eleven prior to being asked if he would like to play as a goalie for a local team in Sheffield, as their goal keeper was unavailable. This he accepted, and at the age of seventeen years commenced his career as a regular goal-keeper, never losing his place, and going on to play for England (perhaps one of the greatest goalkeepers England has ever produced). His career ended after a serious car accident, when his right eye was severely damaged.

Denny Waters the comedian was a classic entertainer, he amused the company present by asking, "how did Ray Evans, the Manager of Liverpool, get his CBE?" Answer: "He Couldn't Beat Everton."

Public Notice Vacancy - Tradesman Plumber

THE Water Supply Section of the Public Works Department presently has a vacancy for a Tradesman Plumber.

This position requires an experienced and qualified tradesman who has worked on all types of plumbing, pipe-fitting and water supply installation. The successful applicant will be responsible to the Senior Plumber and Water Supervisor and will need to be able to work independently. It will be necessary at times to work unsociable hours and to be prepared for emergency or other call-out duties as required.

Salary is in Grade F ranging from £12,384 per annum to £14,556 per annum.

Interested persons should contact the Water Supervisor, Mr Rod Tuckwood, on telephone number 27446 during normal working hours. Application forms are available from the Human Resources Department and completed forms should be returned to that Department no later than 4pm on Friday, December 12, 1997.

From France to Falklands for Simon

MAJOR Simon Hopkins, Military Liaison Officer in the Falklands between November 1992 and December 1993, and his wife Julia are 'thrilled' to be able to return to the Islands for another tour. Simon told *Penguin News* that he and his family so enjoyed their time in the Islands that they requested another tour, which to their delight was granted. Over the past years, the family have been based in Provence, in the South of France where Simon worked as British Liaison Officer at the French Artillery School and French Army Aviation School.



Katie, John, Simon and Julia Hopkins

Their two 'children', John (studying Environmental Science at Plymouth University) and Katie (studying her 'A' levels at Dean Close School in Cheltenham) were also pleased with the news and will be joining their parents during school holidays.

So far, Simon and Julia have seen many of the people they met during

Stanley Golf Club News from Frank Jackson

TWENTY two members competed in a nine hole, three club competition on Thursday evening, November 27, resulting in a comfortable win for Glen Ross with 19 points, followed by Ron Young (17), Gordon McConnell, Barry Smith and Lachlan Ross (all 16 points).

A barbecue supper was then enjoyed by approximately 50 members and guests.

The evening was rounded off by prize giving followed by an amusing talk by Bernard Gallacher on the psychology required to successfully manage a European team against America in a high pressure situation.

Problem areas included; one-sided publicity extolling the excellence of the American game; middle of the night phone calls directly to European players rooms to hinder sleep and relaxation (who says golf is a gentlemen's game?); dealing with the diverse Latin temperaments of Sevvv Ballasteros and Constantino Rocca; relaying advice from coaching guru, David Leadbetter during a vital foursomes

match involving superstars Nick Faldo and Bernard Langer, and handling the intense demands of the world's sporting press. Captaincy in such situations requires tact, diplomacy, skill and a good sense of humour. Bernard proved that he had all these attributes, which contributed to Europe regaining the cup in 1995.

On behalf of the Golf Club Captain, Barry Smith, gave a vote of thanks to both Sir Rex Hunt and Bernard for their hard work and advice throughout the fortnight visit, and to the Shackleton Fund for sponsoring what had proved to be a very instructive and enjoyable visit for both existing and budding young golfers in the Falklands.

Next week it's back to basics with the monthly medal on Sunday, December 7 (report to the Clubhouse by 8.45am).

On the Monday Afternoon of Battle Day (December 8) there will be a competition starting at 2.00pm, please report by 1.45pm.

Refreshments will be provided after both competitions.

Public Notice

THE Falkland Islands Government invites applications for the post of Supply Teacher in the Infant Junior School for two terms commencing January 1998.

Candidates must be qualified teachers with a degree. Applicants for this post should state clearly the areas of Primary teaching in which they are experienced. They should also state any areas of special interest that they have as well as any contribution that they could make to extra-curricular activities.

Salary range will be from £16,812 - £22,644 depending on experience.

For further details regarding this post contact Headteacher of the Infant/Junior School, Mrs Jean Smith on 27294.

Application forms are available from the Human Resources Department, Secretariat, and should be returned to the Chairman, Senior Appointments Board, Secretariat by 4.00pm Wednesday 10th December 1997.

Stanley Leisure Centre Open Swimming Gala Results

- Under 7yrs 10m Freestyle: 1st Sam Coe, 2nd Smantha Dodd, 3rd Lucas Biggs.
- Under 7yrs 10m with float: 1st David Hewitt, 2nd Samantha Dodd, 3rd Lucas Biggs.
- Under 7yrs 10m Novelty Race: 1st Lucas Biggs, 2nd David Hewitt, 3rd Samantha Dodd.
- Under 11yrs 25m Freestyle Final: 1st James Coe and Robert Titterington, 3rd Kiasha McInnis
- Under 11yrs 25m Breastroke Final: 1st Victoria Hall, 2nd Margaret Normand, 3rd James Coe
- Under 11yrs 25m Backstroke Girls: 1st Christine Hewitt, 2nd Kiasha McInnis, 3rd Margaret Normand.
- Under 11yrs 25m Backstroke Boys: 1st Robert Titterington, 2nd James Coe, 3rd Andrew Normand.
- Under 11yrs 25m Novelty Race Final: 1st Kiasha McInnis, 2nd Jade Clayton, 3rd Roxanne Morrison.
- 11-14yrs 50m Freestyle Girls: 1st Claire Kilmartin, 2nd Barbara Howells, 3rd Dionne Jones.
- 11-14yrs 50m Freestyle Boys: 1st Alistair Ceballos, 2nd Evan Jones, 3rd William Normand.
- 11-14yrs 50m Breastroke Girls: 1st Claire Kilmartin and Barbara Howells, 3rd Dionne Jones.
- 11-14yrs 50m Backstroke Girls: 1st Debbi Robson, 2nd Cathy Jacobsen, 3rd Jenna Humphrey.
- Open 25m Freestyle Womens' Final: 1st Claire Kilmartin, 2nd Rachael Freeman, 3rd Barbara Howells (D Jones omitted by mistake)
- Open 25m Freestyle Men: 1st Alistair Ceballos, 2nd Evan Jones, 3rd Kumar McInnis.
- Open 25m Breastroke: 1st Barbara Howells, 2nd Claire Kilmartin, 3rd Dionne Jones.
- Open 25m Breastroke Men: 1st William Normand, 2nd Kumar McInnis, 3rd Andrew Jarvis.
- Open 25m Backstroke: 1st Debbi Robson, 2nd Rachael Freeman, 3rd Jenna Humphrey.
- Open 25m Backstroke Men: 1st Alistair Ceballos, 2nd Evan Jones, 3rd Kumar McInnis.
- Open 25m Butterfly Women: 1st Debbi Robson, 2nd Rachael Freeman, 3rd Barbara Howells.
- Open 25m Butterfly Men: 1st Alistair Ceballos, 2nd Evan Jones
- Open 50m Freestyle Women: 1st Barbara Howells, 2nd Rachael Freeman, 3rd Debbi Robson.
- Open 50m Freestyle Men: 1st Alistair Ceballos, 2nd Evan Jones, 3rd Kumar McInnis.
- Open 50m Breastroke Women: 1st Claire Kilmartin, 2nd Dionne Jones, 3rd Victoria Hall.
- Open 50m Breastroke Men: 1st William Normand, 2nd Kumar McInnis, 3rd Andrew Jarvis.
- Open 50m Backstroke Women: 1st Debbi Robson, 2nd Rachael Freeman, 3rd Anna Robson.
- Open 50m Backstroke Men: 1st Alistair Ceballos, 2nd Evan Jones, 3rd Kumar McInnis.
- Open 50m Butterfly Women: 1st Debbi Robson, 2nd Rachael Freeman, 3rd Barbara Howells.
- Open 100m Freestyle: 1st Evan Jones, 2nd Alison Barton, 3rd Rachael Freeman.
- Open 100m Breastroke: 1st Claire Kilmartin, 2nd William Normand, 3rd Barbara Howells.
- Open 100m Backstroke: 1st Debbi Robson, 2nd Rachael Freeman, 3rd Alison Barton.
- Open 200m Breastroke: 1st Claire Kilmartin, 2nd William Normand, 3rd Megan Egging.
- Open 4x25m Individual medley: 1st Evan Jones, 2nd Rachael Freeman.

Trophy Winners

- Standard Chartered Bank Junior Swimmer (male) Most points in under 11yrs 25m freestyle, breastroke and backstroke: **James Coe.**
- FIC Junior Swimmer (female) Most points in under 11yrs 25m freestyle, breastroke and backstroke: **Kiasha McInnis.**
- Standard Chartered Bank Senior Swimmer (male) Most points in open 25m and 50m freestyle, breastroke, backstroke and butterfly: **Alistair Ceballos.**
- FIC Senior swimmer (female) Most points in open 25m and 50m freestyle, breastroke, backstroke and butterfly: **Debbi Robson.**
- JB Services Shield (juniors) For 1st female in 11-14yrs 50m freestyle: **Claire Kilmartin.**
- David Wilkie Award: for 1st male FICS pupil in open 4x25m individual medley: **Evan Jones.**

Sponsored by Standard Chartered Bank...Saturday November 29, 1997

Stanley Leisure Centre Open Swimming Gala



Top: medal winners line up for a photo opportunity. Above: 11-14yrs girls. Below: David Hewitt, Sam Coe, Samantha Dodd and Lucas Biggs.



Infant 'Splash-in'

NOT to be outdone by their seniors, the Infants took part in a 'splash-in' on Tuesday December 2. Although non-competitive, the children from reception class to Year 2, took enormous pride in demonstrating to parents, what they had been learning in their school swimming lessons.

The little ones showed off their 'water confidence', while older children demonstrated jumping in, and swimming across the pool.

Headmistress Jean Smith said the occasion also gave parents an idea of the early stages in the development of 'a swimming style.'



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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

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm.
ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm Minister: Mike Mitchelmore 21787

St. MARY'S

SUNDAY: 10am (MPA 6.30pm).
Week days: 9am; Sat. also 5pm

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

SUN: 8am Holy Communion, 10.30am Eucharist/Morning worship, 6.30pm Holy Mass;
MON: 6.30am Mass
WED: 7.30pm Holy communion; 8pm Bible Study Tel: 74350

BAHA'IFAITH

For information on meetings please ring Tel. 21957 (evenings)

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

Location	Time	Height (m)	Time	Height (m)
Fox Bay + 2hr 30m	07	0514	0.7	10
Roy Cove + 4hrs 30m	SUN	1149	1.4	WED
Port Howard + 3hrs 19m		1810	0.5	0257
Teal Inlet + 3hrs 30m		0056	1.3	0911
Sealion Is. + 1hr 15m	Sunrise	0429		1538
Port Stephens + 3hrs 15m	Sunset	2058		2121
Hill Cove + 4hrs				0.6
Berkeley Sound + 1hr 11m	08	0637	0.7	Sunrise 0428
Port San Carlos + 2hr 55m	MON	1309	1.4	Sunset 2102
Darwin Harbour - 56m		1919	0.5	11
November				THURS
06	0408	0.7	0351	1.6
	1036	1.5	1009	0.4
SAT	1704	0.5	1640	1.5
	2353	1.3	2213	0.6
Sunrise	0429		Sunrise	0428
Sunset	2057		Sunset	2103
			12	0440
			FRI	1058
				1735
				2303
			Sunrise	0428
			Sunset	2104

LIBRARY

Monday - Friday

10.00am - 12.00 and

14.45 - 17.45

Saturday: 10am - 12 noon

14.00 - 17.00pm

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

10.30 - 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 Liz Burnett, Tel: 21770 or Rene Rowlands, Tel 21161

SQUASH CLUB

Thursdays 5-9pm

Contact Dik Sawle Tel 21414

NETBALL CLUB

Tuesdays 6-8pm. Wednesday 6-7pm All are welcome

Contact Sarah Allan 22119

THE FIGUN CLUB

New members welcome Contact Ped Tel: 21663 or Graham Didlick 21622 P.O.

Box 540

F.I. RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Contact Secretary G Cheek, 21402

STANLEY GOLF CLUB

Competitions on Sunday at 8.45 am. Contact Mike Summers on tel: 21542

FI MOTORCYCLE ASSOC.

All queries & Information on races etc contact Andrew Newman

21606 or Rowena Summers 21015

YMCA Accommodation available

Contact Terry Peck 21074

ASTHMA SUPPORT GROUP

Meets second Tuesday of every

third month in Day Centre at 5pm

Contact Graham France on 21624

FALKLAND ISLANDS RED

CROSS ASSOCIATION New members welcome. Contact Secretary Irene Baker 20839 or Chairman Nick Hadden, 21014

GUILD OF SPINNERS, WEAVERS & HANDICRAFTS

Meetings

on Wednesday evening at 7.30pm

Contact Marj McPhee, tel: 21106

CANCER SUPPORT & AWARENESS TRUST

Contact Shiralee Collins, 21597. Sister Bridie 22086, Derek Howatt 21385

FIODA Actors/singers/stagehands

contact Alan 21019

DIABETIC ASSOCIATION

Meets first Thursday of every

month. 7.30pm in the Day Centre

STANLEY SWIMMING CLUB

Coaching Tuesdays 4 - 5pm, Fridays 4-5

STANLEY SUB-AQUA CLUB

Contact David McLeod Phone: 20836 (day), 20843 (home)

RUNNING CLUB

Meets Wednesday 5.30pm, contact Tracy Porter 21574

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Meets 1st Monday every month @ 2000 hrs, WO1 & Sgt Mess, Hillside Camp. All ex or serving Service persons welcome. Contact A Geach, R Fiddes or KD Greenland for info 21454 or 27222.

STANLEY SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

Friday 7-9pm Sundays 4-5pm. Contact Angela Lee on 21762 or M. Humphreys on 22028

JELLY TOTS CLUB

meets Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays at the Day Centre from 2.30 - 4pm. All welcome

WELL BABY/CHILD CLINIC

Day Centre KEMH Tuesdays 9.30-11.30am. Contact Miranda Cheek Health Visitor 27418

Leisure Centre Holiday Times - Further information/Bookings: tel 27291

Day	Pool	Courts
Monday	12.00 - 1.00	Lane Swimming
	2.00 - 4.00	Public
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
Tuesday	10.00 - 11.30	OAP
	12.00 - 1.00	Lanes
	2.00 - 4.00	Public
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Ladies
Wednesday	12.00 - 1.00	Lanes
	2.00 - 4.00	Public
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
Thursday	3.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	12.00 - 9.00	Public
Friday	12.00 - 1.00	Lanes
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
Saturday	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	10.00 - 4.00	Public
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults
Sunday	10.00 - 4.00	Public
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults

Your BFBS Television programmes

SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER

9.00 TITCH
9.10 WOLVES, WITCHES AND GIANTS
9.25 ART ATTACK
9.45 OUT OF SIGHT
10.15 DEL AMITRI - NO BETTER LOCATION
10.55 FILM: GENESIS II (1973)
12.15 FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP Liverpool v Manchester United
2.05 GRANDSTAND Including: News summary; Rugby Union coverage as Scotland take on South Africa at Murrayfield; Racing from Chepstow, Football Focus; the next edition of the British Olympic Association magazine series; and a full round-up of the rest of the day's sporting events
5.30 INTERNATIONAL RUGBY England v South Africa in the second test
7.10 CLASSIFIED FOOTBALL RESULTS
7.15 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
7.25 TOP OF THE POPS
8.00 NOEL'S HOUSEPARTY
8.50 CASUALTY
9.40 HAVE I GOT NEWS FOR YOU
10.10 TOUCHING EVIL
11.00 ALL RISE FOR JULIAN CLARY
11.30 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
11.50 MATCH OF THE DAY Liverpool v Manchester United

SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER

8.00 MATCH OF THE DAY
9.30 BREAKFAST WITH FROST
10.30 DEAR MR BARKER
10.45 TEENAGE MUTANT HERO TURTLES
11.10 BLUE PETER
11.35 WISE UP
12.05 SONGS OF PRAISE
12.40 CELEBRITY READY STEADY COOK
1.10 THE CHART SHOW
2.00 NEWS
2.05 BROOKSIDE
3.15 THIS IS YOUR LIFE
3.45 AUNTIE: THE INSIDE STORY OF THE BBC
4.45 CARTOON TIME
5.00 FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP Wimbledon v Southampton
6.50 ANIMAL PEOPLE (New)
7.20 BLIND DATE
8.15 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
8.25 HEARTBEAT
9.20 MURDER ONE
10.45 JACK DEE'S SUNDAY SERVICE
11.10 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
11.25 TOTP 2
12.10 RUGBY EXPRESS

MONDAY 8TH DECEMBER

7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 BOOK BOX 10.15 NUMBERTIME 10.30 GOOD HEALTH 10.45 THE WEATHER SHOW
10.50 KILROY
11.30 THIS MORNING (Including ITN News Headlines)
1.15 TOTS TV Followed by BFBS WEATHER REPORT
1.30 NEWS
1.50 NEIGHBOURS Lance's ego takes a battering, and Toadie and Anne join ranks against Billy
2.15 NAME THAT TUNE with Jools Holland
2.40 HOLIDAY
3.10 COUNTDOWN
3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
3.45 THE PARKIES
3.55 THE ADVENTURES OF PADDINGTON BEAR
4.05 FUN HOUSE
4.30 RECORD BREAKERS
4.55 GOOSEBUMPS (New)
5.20 HOME AND AWAY Has Selina run off with Jesse?
5.40 TOP GEAR
6.10 999 LIFESAVERS This week, the British Army's remarkable attempt to rescue a brown bear in Bosnia
6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.55 CORONATION STREET Deirdre's housewarming finds Jon making an announcement
7.45 THE BILL Stand By Your Man: Daly uses cunning methods to trap a drugs supplier
8.10 THE COOK REPORT
8.35 BLOOMIN' MARVELLOUS
9.05 SOLDIER, SOLDIER
10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
10.30 CLIVE ANDERSON ALL TALK
11.00 FILM '97
11.30 THE RUGBY CLUB
12.10 NATIONWIDE FOOTBALL LEAGUE EXTRA

TUESDAY 9TH DECEMBER

7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 FOURWAYS FARM 10.10 STORYTIME 10.25 ZIG ZAG 10.45 THE WEATHER SHOW

10.50 KILROY
11.30 THIS MORNING (Including ITN News Headlines)
1.15 THE SLOW NORRIS followed by BFBS WEATHER
1.30 NEWS
1.50 NEIGHBOURS
2.15 FOOD AND DRINK
2.45 VANESSA
3.10 COUNTDOWN
3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with: JAY'S WORLD
3.45 KIPPER
3.55 ROGER AND THE ROTTENTROLLS
4.05 DENNIS THE MENACE
4.30 BLUE PETER
5.00 BYKER GROVE
5.25 HOME AND AWAY
5.45 A QUESTION OF SPORT
6.15 EMMERDALE
6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.55 SCENE HERE
7.25 EASTENDERS
7.55 FULL CIRCLE WITH MICHAEL PALIN On the itinerary today, Australia and New Zealand
8.45 PANTOLAND (New)
9.10 DARK SKIES
10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
10.30 THE COMEDY STORE
10.55 CUTTING EDGE
11.45 TARTAN EXTRA

WEDNESDAY 10TH DECEMBER

7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 STAGE ONE 10.15 TELLYTUBBIES 10.40 SCHOOLS AT WORK 10.45 THE WEATHER SHOW
10.50 KILROY
11.30 THIS MORNING (Including ITN News Headlines)
1.15 TOTS TV followed by BFBS WEATHER
1.30 NEWS
1.50 NEIGHBOURS
2.15 HOME FRONT
2.45 THE CLOTHES SHOW
3.10 COUNTDOWN
3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with: FUNNYBONES
3.40 THE ENCHANTED LANDS
3.50 CONAN THE ADVENTURER
4.15 HOW 2
4.30 SMART
5.00 BYKER GROVE
5.25 HOME AND AWAY
5.45 TOMORROW'S WORLD
6.15 EMMERDALE
6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.55 CORONATION STREET
7.45 THE BILL
8.10 YOU'VE BEEN FRAMED
8.35 CRIME BEAT
9.05 PEAK PRACTICE
10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
10.30 FILM: DEATH BECOMES HER (1992.PG)
12.05 CHAMPIONS LEAGUE HIGHLIGHTS Newcastle v Dynamo Kiev, Juventus v Manchester United

THURSDAY 11TH DECEMBER

7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 MEGAMATHS 10.20 LANDMARKS 10.40 SCHOOLS AT WORK 10.45 THE WEATHER SHOW
10.50 KILROY
11.30 THIS MORNING (Including ITN News Headlines)
1.15 THE RIDDLERS Followed by BFBS WEATHER
1.30 NEWS
1.50 NEIGHBOURS
2.15 THE ANTIQUES SHOW
2.45 VANESSA
3.10 COUNTDOWN
3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with: WIZADORA
3.45 SOOTY AND CO
4.10 GET YOUR OWN BACK
4.35 BLUE PETER
5.05 THE O-ZONE
5.25 HOME AND AWAY
5.45 CALL MY BLUFF Hosted by Bob Holness
6.15 EMMERDALE
6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.55 ANIMAL HOSPITAL
7.25 EASTENDERS
7.55 TURNING POINTS
8.00 X CARS
8.30 DAVID JASON - IN HIS ELEMENT
9.00 MEN BEHAVING BADLY
9.30 THEY THINK IT'S ALL OVER
10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
10.30 KISS AND TELL
12.20 JAMES BOND - SHAKEN AND STIRRED

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER

7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS FOR SCHOOLS 10.00 EUREKA! 10.15 STOP, LOOK, LISTEN 10.30 STAGE TWO SCIENCE ENERGY 10.45 THE WEATHER SHOW
10.50 KILROY
11.30 THIS MORNING (Including ITN News Headlines)
1.15 POTAMUS PARK followed by BFBS WEATHER
1.30 NEWS
1.50 NEIGHBOURS
2.15 OUR HOUSE (New)
2.40 COMEDY CLASSIC: DAD'S ARMY
3.10 COUNTDOWN
3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with: ARTHUR (New)
4.05 HURRICANES
4.30 MR WYMI
4.45 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND

4.55 THE WARD
5.20 HOME AND AWAY
5.40 GAMESMASTER
6.10 THE WHITBREAD: THE WORLD'S GREATEST OCEAN RACE
6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.55 SCENE HERE
7.25 EASTENDERS
7.50 AN AUDIENCE WITH THE SPICE GIRLS
8.45 MICHAEL BARRYMORE'S STRIKE IT RICH
9.10 THE LOCKSMITH
10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
10.30 POLICE 2020
12.05 TFI FRIDAY
The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY December 6

6.00 News BFBS
6.03 Music Fill
6.30 Children's Corner
7.30 News and Sport from five live
7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
8.00 Six Palestrina Masses
8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
8.30 Dessert Island Discs
9.00 News Desk from the BBC
9.20 Music Fill
9.30 People like us (comedy) The Artist
9.45 Music Fill
10.00 News BFBS

SUNDAY December 7

5.00 News: BFBS
5.03 Music fill
5.15 Dessert Island Discs
6.00 Music Fill
6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
7.00 Church Service-Cathedral
8.00 Wet Wet Wet Album Special
8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didlick
8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
8.45 Folk Music Show
9.00 News Desk
9.28 Rpt. Weather & Flights
9.30 Paths of Inspiration with Desmond Tutu
9.45 Music Fill
10.00 News BFBS

MONDAY December 8

10.03 Morning show - Hermina
12.00 News and Sport BFBS
12.06 News Midday
12.09 Music fill
12.15 Lunchtime announcements
12.30 BFBS Programmes
5.02 The Archers
5.17 The late afternoon show
6.00 Country Crossroads
6.30 Families and how to survive them
7.00 The Goons CD collection
7.30 News and Sport
7.35 Weather, Flights, Announcements
8.00 Wet Wet Wet Album Special
9.00 News Desk from the BBC
9.28 Rpt Weather and Flights
9.30 Aunt Julia & the scriptwriter
10.00 News BFBS

TUESDAY December 9

10.03 Morning Show
12.00 News and Sport BFBS
12.06 Music Fill
12.15 Lunchtime announcements
12.30 BFBS Programmes
5.03 The Archers
5.17 The late afternoon show
5.30 News from St. Helena
5.45 Calling the Falklands
6.00 News Magazine
6.30 In Concert -Counting Crows
7.30 News and Sports
7.35 Weather, Flights, Announcements

8.00 60 Minute theatre 'Secret Journey'
9.00 News desk from the BBC
9.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
9.30 Repeat News Magazine
10.00 News BFBS

WEDNESDAY December 10

10.03 Morning show
12.00 News & Sport from BFBS
12.06 News Midday
12.09 Music Fill
12.15 Lunchtime Announcements
12.30 BFBS Programme
5.02 The Archers
5.17 The late afternoon show
5.45 The Folk Show Rpt
6.30 Just a minute
7.00 Divided by a common language
7.30 News and Sport
7.35 Weather, Flights, Annos
8.00 Classics Hour
9.00 News Desk from BBC
9.28 Rpt. weather & flights
9.30 The Archbishop's egg
9.45 Music Fill
10.00 News from BFBS

THURSDAY December 11

10.03 Morning Show
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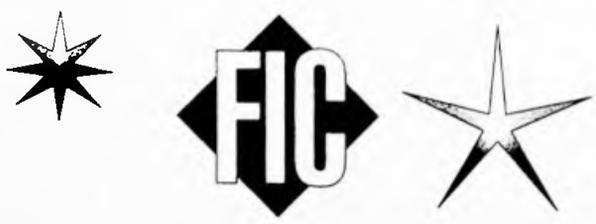
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BRAZILIAN PRESIDENT IN BRITAIN ON STATE VISIT

Brazilian president Henrique Cardoso began, last Thursday, a four day state visit to Great Britain, pledging to keep to a strict economic reform programme despite market turbulence.

Gun salutes and London's Horse Guards greeted the arrival of Cardoso who was given a welcoming party by Queen Elizabeth II that included Prime Minister Tony Blair and heads of the armed services.

Accompanied by a mounted escort from the Household Cavalry, the President and the Queen rode to Buckingham Palace in the State Coach, followed in a second coach by Mrs Cardoso and Prince Philip.

Earlier, at a meeting with the Confederation of British Industry Cardoso said his government acted decisively with a proposed austerity package to tackle the recent financial crisis, "which spilled over from Asia." Cardoso said there would be no U-turns or deviation from the current policies that have cut inflation and speeded up privatisation in Brazil.

The Brazilian president also underlined the necessity for an agreement between the European Union and Mercosur, although he criticised Brussels protectionism in agriculture. "Brazil is the world's second most important emerging market, behind China, and the fifth in receiving foreign investment," said Cardoso.

Finally Cardoso said that "Brazil is no longer an underdeveloped country, although we still are an unfair country, which we plan to overcome with education."

CHILEAN LOOK FOR JUREL

550 MILES OFF THE COAST

In an attempt to determine what has happened to the adult population of "jurel", the Chilean government is investing half a million dollars in a research project, well beyond its Exclusive Economic Zone.

During fifteen days five vessels, sailing as far as 550 miles off the Chilean coast, will collect information and data on the "jurel" the main component for the manufacturing of fishmeal, the most important export product of the Chilean industry.

In normal years Chile catches approximately four million tons of "jurel" but volumes have dropped considerably during the last season in spite of several successive bans, because of the absence of eleven inches plus long specimens. The Chilean government suspects over fishing in the area, or water temperature changes because of "El Nino" could have an influence.

The former Soviet fleet was detected fishing between 400 and 500

miles off the Chilean coast, where some of the jurel research will be taking place.

Fishmeal and fish oil represent 650 million US dollars annual exports for the Chilean industry. International fishmeal prices have increased over 50% during the last twelve months.

The final report and its conclusions are expected to be ready before the end of December.

A healthy and strong economy also has its drawbacks, and Chile is no exception. In a country that for the last decade has grown at an annual rate of 6 to 7% a year, exporters are asking the Chilean government to "adjust" the exchange rate with the dollar, presently at 425 pesos to the dollar, and to take it to 486 pesos.

Chilean industry and farmers complain that the devaluation of the peso vis-a-vis the dollar has not kept pace with local inflation meaning that costs, in pesos, are increasing faster than revenue from foreign sales, as well as favouring the purchase of foreign goods.

The loss of international competitiveness, because of a strong peso, is estimated at 10 to 15% and therefore exporters are demanding an exchange rate of 486 Chilean pesos for each dollar.

"To recover our 1990 competitiveness, and avoid becoming an "expensive" country, we need a more realistic and dynamic exchange rate; our experts have calculated that we need 486 pesos for each dollar if we want our exports to keep growing. It will also mean a great boost for the local tourist industry," underlined Cristobal Valdes, president of the Chilean Corporation of Exporters.

OPEC TO INCREASE OIL PRODUCTION

OPEC, the organisation of oil exporting countries decided to increase its daily production from 25 to 27.5 million barrels per day.

During a regular meeting of OPEC, held in Indonesia, the eleven country members oil cartel that extracts 40% of world production decided to accept a proposal from Saudi Arabia, which will now be entitled to a daily production of 8.76 million barrels, its highest in fifteen years.

OPEC believes the increased production will not influence prices, but European experts in the spot market don't necessarily agree and think much will depend on the coming winter in the northern hemisphere and any forthcoming agreement between the United Nations and Iraq. International oil prices have dropped an estimated 18% since early October, from just below 23 US dollars the barrel to less than 19 dollars.

"Prices will go down before they start climbing," said Ed Margolis, a New York broker. Brokers also point to the fact that the new quotas should not have such an impact since OPEC's current production is closer to 27 million barrels per day, because several country members short of cash, such as Venezuela and Nigeria, have been pumping well beyond their allowable volumes. International oil prices have dropped an estimated 18% since early October.

CUBAN TIES FOR PUNTA ARENAS

Punta Arenas and Regla, a small city close to La Habana, the capital of Cuba will begin an exchange programme in the health, safety, and education areas.

The idea is the follow up of a trip to Cuba by several town Councillors, who came back quite impressed with the standards of public health and education, in spite of the very tough economic conditions in the island.

Teachers, nurses and hospital administrators will be spending time in Cuban schools and hospitals, while Cubans are interested in town management expertise and privatisation of some of the city's utilities.

The agreement is ready to be signed pending the legal framework to be determined by Chilean authorities. Regla has a similar population to Punta Arenas.

CHILEANS RESCUE 60 YEAR OLD AUSTRALIAN LADY EXPEDITIONER

A 60 year old Australian woman who wanted to become the eldest expeditioner to walk by herself to the South Pole had to be rescued after falling into a crevice in the ice and is now recovering in Punta Arenas. Ms Anne Thayer began her journey from Hercules Inlet, next to the Weddell Sea coast and expected to cover the 800 miles distance to the South Pole by the end of December. But just 180 miles away from starting point and while pulling a 250 pounds sledge, she suffered the accident that left her unconscious for two hours.

A portable automatic transmitter in permanent satellite contact with a co-ordination centre in the United States warned of the mischance and a Twin Otter belonging to Adventure Network in Punta Arenas was dispatched to her rescue.

Because of the very severe weather conditions it finally took three days to fly Ms Thayer first to Patriot Hills and then to Punta Arenas.

Ms Thayer admits being an inveterate adventurer since she was 18 years old and counts among her feats an 800 miles walk to the North Pole; a 1,300 miles foot expedition in Alaska to study wolves, and sailing up the Amazon.

ARGENTINE DEFENCE MINISTER VISITS GREAT BRITAIN

Argentine Defence Minister Jorge Dominguez is scheduled to travel to Great Britain on an official visit starting next December 8th.

Dominguez who will be the first Argentine Defence Minister to visit Britain since the South Atlantic conflict, said the trip aims at "strengthening bilateral relations", and is part of a programme of joint activities between the two Defence Ministers.

The Argentine official also revealed that next year the British Forces Chief of Staff and First Lord of the Admiralty would be travelling to Argentina.

"During my visit to Britain I also expect to confirm the date when the British Minister of Defence, Mr George Robertson, will be visiting Argentina,"

said Dominguez.

Before Britain, Dominguez will spend several days in Israel where he was invited by the Israeli defence industry.

LANDMINES CONFERENCE IN CANADA

At least 121 countries and many non government organisations, participating in a conference convened by Canada, signed this week the Ottawa Treaty which bans world-wide the use of anti personnel mines.

Invoking the memory of Princess Diana and of countless victims of landmines, Canadian Foreign Minister Lloyd Axworthy chaired the conference, which nevertheless had some major holdouts such as the United States, Russia, China, India, Pakistan, Cuba and most Middle Eastern countries.

The Clinton administration has promised to ban the export of landmines but stressed that it currently needs the deadly weapon to protect its troops stationed in the Korean peninsula. During the conference Axworthy personally received a "Ban the landmines" caravan that left California last October and visited 29 US and Canadian cities before reaching Ottawa. Among those in the caravan were members of the Vietnam Veterans Association and the 1997 Nobel Prize Winner, Jody Williams.

WEEKLY SOUTH AMERICAN WOOL MARKET REPORT

URUGUAY

In the opinion of several operators, about 20% of the Uruguayan clip has changed hands from growers. Mainly to local stopmaker/exporters.

The market slowdown, showing that presently only the main, "bread-and-butter" type Corriedale fleeces have a maximum price of US/kg 2.40 greasy farm-gate.

The main feature of the week actually was the sale and shipment of 90,000 wethers to Saudi Arabia. With an average weight of 40 kg each, and paid between US\$ 21 and 21.50 farm-gate. With much less demand from the Southern Brazilian slaughterhouses, it was very easy to conclude this operation in an unusually short time.

ARGENTINA

The main worry of Argentine wool exporters these days, is lack of new sales. Some classic sections of the market, for example Lincoln Lusters however small these days, are at an absolute standstill for lack of new sales, either tops to the Taiwan fancy yarn spinners, or in the scoured state to India where delayed orders from Russia are still complicating new sales and also opening of 1./CS for concluded business.

The respected Buenos Aires daily "La Nacion" reported last Saturday in its agricultural section, about the effects of the famous "Nino" current. Whilst it provokes drought in Australia and some parts of Africa and Asia, as well as heavy rainfall and floods in Southern Brazil, Northern Argentina and Northern Uruguay, with delayed shearings, on the other hand it is a real blessing for Patagonia, where green pastures are seen throughout the region. For example the Northern Patagonian Estancias belonging to Benetton, where the average yearly rainfall is of 430mm. This season they already have had 580 mm during just 10 months, also helped by less wind than other seasons. Lambing has increased by 10% and higher wool yields are also expected, probably by 6-7 points.

had a temporary agreement and then a firmer one, which maybe has not been a definite one, but it took up a lot of time. The Argentine negotiators and officials led by Guido di Tella and the British with me at the head of the group, put a lot of effort into this matter. I think it was and is a good example of a commitment which satisfied us and satisfied the Argentines, it was not a game in which one wins and one loses. Also, I would like to add that I am very happy that President Carlos Menem has been invited to visit this country. I believe it is a good step."

Yes, it is a good step and you know that Dr Menem has wanted to visit the United Kingdom for several years. Why didn't you invite him when you were in charge of the Foreign Office?

(The question makes him uncomfortable). "What is crucial is that it is a successful visit. I had to think about that and thought that the trip would not be successful. That does not mean to say that I did not agree to discuss the matter with your foreign minister, because I always considered it a good idea. I would have liked to have invited Dr Menem, but the timing was indispensable. I believe that the analysis carried out by the present government that it is now possible to have a successful visit is correct. Both Conservatives and Labour agree with that. So, we will do everything we possibly can so that this happens."

THE WOOL RECORD 1/12/97

Quality scheme in the Falklands

Farmers in the wind-swept Falkland Islands are proceeding with their own "Falkland Wool Quality Scheme," in common with producers in parts of Argentina and Chilean Patagonia, who share similar climates and are themselves taking part in clip-preparation programmes aimed at obtaining the best possible prices.

Falkland farmers have had a mild winter but are now experiencing a cold spring - right at lambing time (writes our South American correspondent.)

CLARIN 1/12/97

Seeking a mention of the Falklands

Yesterday morning (Sunday) there was an important issue which took up the best part of the meeting Foreign Minister Guido di Tella held with Ambassador Erman Gonzalez, Senator Eduardo Bauza and Argentine Ambassador in London Rogelio Pfrter. The possibility that in some of the statements the Italian government will make during President Carlos Menem's visit, they mention the Falklands.

The Argentine officials know that it will not be easy for their Italian colleagues to agree to mention such a delicate issue, but

they will try at least for the matter to appear in some paragraph of official statements. Meanwhile the Argentine government almost certainly believes that there will be a joint statement concerning the rotation of positions on the United Nations security council.

CLARIN 2/12/97

Malvinas and the United Nations, on Di Tella's agenda Rome

Expectations concerning changes in the cabinet or commercial relations between the two countries are not the only two things which are in mind during Carlos Menem's visit to Italy. The wish for some gesture concerning the Falklands issue, on the Italian government's part and the strengthening of the co-ordination of criteria concerning the United Nations Security Council are also the main issues in the hands of Foreign Minister Guido di Tella and his contributors, according to the minister himself.

It is clear that it is difficult to expect a strategic partner of Great Britain in the European Union to make any definite kind of statement referring to the sovereignty dispute over the Falklands between London and Buenos Aires.

But, because of exactly the fact that it is a member of the European Union an indication on the Italian government's part in favour of a solution to the Anglo-Argentine problems, basically the Falklands dispute, will be key to Argentine diplomacy.

The Daily Telegraph 3/12/97

Hogg plans to build £80m war chest

Hogg Robinson, the business travel group, is amassing an £80m war chest, and has begun a share buy-back programme of up to 15pc of its stock.

News of the buy-back accompanied Hogg's interim results yesterday, which showed pre-tax profits, before charges, of £14.5m, up from £12.1m last year. An exceptional charge of £12.9m from the sale of the group's transport division in September helped reduce the bottom line result to £1.9m.

Hogg plans to use both its £37.5m cash pile and raise borrowings, taking its gearing up to 30pc, to create the war chest, which will be used for the buy-back and acquisitions. The company has already committed £15m to buying back up to 7 1/2pc of its shares, and revealed yesterday that this could double.

Chris Brown, finance director said: "We won permission at the AGM to buy back up to 15pc of the company's shares."

Hogg has not set a price limit on its share buy-back programme, but Mr Brown said: "We could improve earnings per share by buying at higher levels, even over 300p."

High on the list of possible acquisitions are Hogg's 40 joint-venture companies in 16 countries.

Chief Executive David Radcliffe said. "We are deter-

mined to bring these elements together."

LA PRENSA 3/12/97

Seeking Italian support over the sovereignty of the Falklands
President Carlos Menem confirmed in this city that it is likely that a reference will be made to the Argentine claim of sovereignty over the Falkland Islands, in the joint declaration, which he will today sign with the head of Italian ministers Romano Prodi.

"It is very likely that in the agreements we sign in the future there will be references to the Falklands issues, which will not cause any kind of distortion to Italian policy at an international level," said Menem during a press conference. Including Italian support for the Argentine claim over the Islands, in the joint statement, was one of Foreign Minister Guido di Tella's aims when he arrived in this European country. Trying to obtain the Italian support, Menem yesterday (Tuesday) said that if the country does so it would not cause any difficulties in the relationship which Italy maintains with the European Union, of which Great Britain is member.

"We must not forget, that with Italian support, on numerous occasions, the Decolonisation Committee of the United Nations has said that it is in favour of negotiations between Argentina and Great Britain, each time with more votes in favour," recalled Menem.

Finally the president said that "such a statement would be very good to Argentina."

What is true is that any Italian gesture of this kind would increase the possibilities for the country to reach an agreement with Great Britain to negotiate a peaceful solution to the conflict.

CLARIN 4/12/97

Menem meets the Italian head of government

Even though diplomatically subtle with the aim of maintaining its position as a member with Great Britain in the European Union and NATO, the military alliance, the Italian government yesterday (Wednesday) gave President Carlos Menem the satisfaction of proposing in writing a reference to the need for Buenos Aires and London to negotiate the sovereignty issue of the Falkland Islands. Menem and Foreign Minister Guido di Tella were both working on the possibility that this reference appears in the joint statement signed yesterday following the half-hour meeting between the president and the Italian Head of Government Romano Prodi. Menem himself had said that this was his wish, during a press conference on Tuesday.

Italy did not grant him his wish. The joint declaration does not include the matter. But a "press release" from the Presidency of the Ministers Council - Prodi - prior to the joint declaration included the much awaited paragraph.

"Italy and Argentina expressed their hope that through negotiations with Great Britain, in accordance with the relevant resolutions and decisions of the United Nations, a correct and quick solution can be found to the sovereignty issue of the Falk-

land islands," is the exact text of the communique.

Following the signing of the joint declaration in the Palace of Bolonia, Di Tella had told journalists that Menem and Prodi spoke about the Falklands during their previous bilateral meeting. "We have Italian support for the Argentine position, which is that of sitting to negotiate under the United Nations guidelines, because on the contrary it will be impossible to resolve the question."

The Argentine foreign minister recalled that for several years Italy has been voting at the United Nations General Assembly in favour of direct negotiations.

When he was asked why, in the joint declaration, the Falklands issue is not mentioned, Di Tella just made a gesture and said that it would be in an Italian government communique.

Diplomatic subtleties, typically Italian, are aimed at avoiding direct friction with Great Britain.

Because of it they refused to include it in the solemn joint declaration. But, to "recover" the issue, as Argentina had requested, it included it in a press release which summarised the agreements the two countries reached.

WOOL MARKET REPORT 28 NOVEMBER 1997

Main wool market indicators in Australia showed fairly small changes on the week. The Australian Eastern Market Index rose another 2 cents this week, to close at 712 A cents/Kg, whilst the Western Indicator was up 4 cents closing at 653 A cents/Kg.

GOLD AND CURRENCY MARKETS

The Asian financial crisis developed further this week. South Korea are seeking at least a \$20bn (£12bn) rescue package with the aid of the International Monetary Fund.

Yamaichi Securities, Japan's fourth largest broker, closed on Monday, because of a "liquidity squeeze".

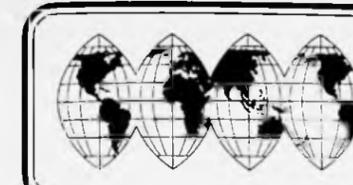
Concern about the Asian market region continues, with Central Banks working to prevent a broader crisis. The Australian dollar hit a four-year low yesterday at \$0.678 to the US dollar, because 1) the price of gold fell below \$300 per troy ounce for the first time since March 1985 (Australia is one of the world's big gold producers) and 2) Japanese investors sold significant quantities of Australian bonds. Such weak demand for the Australian dollar continues to see relatively cheap Australian wool exports, when Australian dollar prices are converted into the currencies of their main trading countries.

THE AGENCY

The Agency received more enquiries than of late, this week, with manufacturers wanting to obtain wool supplies for early 1998. Agency prices are generally considered high, however some business was achieved.

Many thanks for the Bale Specifications which are being sent to the Agency. I am in special need of all outstanding Bale Specifications for wool on board the HRS vessel *M/A Areti*.

I am looking forward to meeting as many Farmers as possible, during my forthcoming visit. I will mainly be meeting farmers on several Islands and West Falkland from 13.12.97 until 23.12.97 and then on East Falkland until 7.1.98.



Penguin News Current Affairs Supplement

Argentina

Please note: The following extracts are translations.

Story written on November 21st by Dairios y Noticias News Agency

Falklands Artist

"I am an artist, I don't discuss politics," warns Ian Strange, an English painter and photographer who has lived in the Falkland Islands for nearly forty years, before he shakes hands with the journalist who has come to interview him.

Immediately, and without giving the journalist time to introduce himself, he adds that the visit by the relatives of Argentine soldiers who died in the Falkland Islands' "is a coincidence," referring to the exhibition which last night (Thursday) began in salon three at the Recoleta culture centre.

Once laid down "his" rules, Ian shakes hands and at this moment opens a little crack through which he lets escape - very few - concepts concerning his activities and experiences.

"My work focuses on animals and plants in the Islands," he tells *DYN* very diplomatically, trying not to mention the archipelago which to the English is the Falkland Islands and Malvinas to the Argentines.

But along with some twenty paintings of Patagonian birds, ferns and other vegetable species which survive the climate, there are fifty photographs showing faces of people of different races.

In the middle of the Japanese, Dutch, United States and Spanish faces, Strange points out one and allows himself the only sentimental expression of the afternoon: "That is my daughter."

The girl is the fruit of the marriage between Ian and Maria, an Argentine, who, as well as living in the Islands, works for the Islands government secretariat. The young girl was born in Buenos Aires because of complications during her pregnancy, Maria had to be transferred to a Buenos Aires clinic.

In spite of being married to a woman who speaks Spanish, Strange only knows a few words of Castellano.

"I enjoy everything I do. I am not a professional photographer. I work for myself. I am an independent artist," explains Strange in an elegant English. His work will be on display at the culture centre until December 14th.

"I am also an ecologist. I try and help the conservation of species, I give opportunities to scientists and students so that they can study the fauna of the Islands," he adds.

As the chat goes on Ian relaxes, but with the brightness of the photographer's flash he returns to his

initial position.

It is not his first trip to Buenos Aires, but it is his debut as an exhibitor. "People have been asking me to come here for many years, but only recently was there a definite offer. It is an honour for me to come here and show my art," he admits.

Asked about his contact with the Portenos, he answers that he intends "to portrait people of different nationalities, so I would like to meet Argentine people. I am also interested in getting to know some of the local fauna."

The chat comes to an end when an assistant tells Ian, that in spite of the fact that he had confirmed his presence during the inauguration of the exhibition, Foreign Minister Guido di Tella had called to excuse himself, "due to state problems."

Strange shows a light expression of disagreement, but almost certainly, inside himself, he is grateful he is not to be another victim of the "charm ability" of the Argentine official.

BUENOS AIRES HERALD 26/11/97

Hake future worries British-Argentine group

The Commission for Fishing in the South Atlantic has just held a meeting in Buenos Aires. The joint British-Argentine organisation expressed concern over its findings on the hake species.

And the Argentine and British delegations also opted to send a squid investigation team on a joint project to the area. The two contingents are developing an early-alert system for boats fishing illegally. The commission has recommended that both governments fish no more than 40,000 tons a year of illex squid.

The commission praised the joint research work of Argentina's Institute for Fishing Research and Development and the British Imperial College. The group's leaders, Argentine Ambassador Orlando Rebagliati and John White, head of the South Atlantic and Antarctic Department, both emphasized their interest in the preservation of key fish species in the South Atlantic.

The research ship contributes to the commission achieving its objectives of cooperation for the preservation of certain species.

Both parties discussed the findings of two separate working groups - in London last July and in Mar del Plata on November 19 and 20.

LA NACION 28/11/97

Strange, from the Falklands to Recoleta

Unlike James Peck, the Falkland artist who the Argentine cus-

toms made pay import duty on his pictures, Ian Strange had no problem whatsoever.

Until December 14th Strange, a British man, who has lived in the Falklands since 1959 has his photographs and delicious water paints on view at the Recoleta Culture centre. Speaking to *La Nacion*, he said that he has been very well received by the portenos and expressed that he is not interested in the territorial dispute.

"It is the first time I have had an exhibition here, which is an honour for me and I hope that nobody makes politics out of this," he said. "I came because there are not, nor should there be, barriers in culture and art," he added.

Ian Strange has been married for more than fifteen years to Maria, one of the few Argentines who live in the archipelago, with whom he has a 16-year old daughter, called Georgina.

Besides painting and taking photographs he is a nature lover. He has written several books about the fauna and flora of the Islands and has designed more than a hundred postage stamps, bearing ecological designs.

He only has bad memories of the 1982 war. "It is something that should not have happened. I understand both sides, but it was a big mistake," he concludes.

LA NACION 30/11/97

Fifteen years after the Falklands war an Argentine defence minister will visit Great Britain for the first time, with the aim of "consolidating bilateral relations," in the military area.

This is an important step - added to the announcement that President Carlos Menem will visit the United Kingdom in 1998 - and the visit will begin on December 8th.

In a gesture of reciprocity British Ambassador in Argentina William Marsden, during the closing ceremony of a seminar about primary health care, which took place in Argentina, said that President Menem's trip "will stimulate all kind of co-operation," although he especially made reference to the health area.

Before leaving on this official visit (with a stop-over in Israel) Dominguez spoke to *La Nacion*:

What is the purpose of your visit to the United Kingdom?

"It is a very important visit, because it is part of a programme of work we have been carrying out with the Defence Ministry in England. Especially with English Defence Minister George Robertson, with whom we maintain a task of bilateral exchange, which culminates in my visit.

What does your being there

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mean?

"Personally, it is a very significant event because I will be the first Argentine defence minister to visit the United Kingdom since the Falklands war. My visit is a continuation of the government's policy to strengthen the bilateral relations with the aim of finding a peaceful solution.

How will the military policy continue growing?

"We will go on deepening the exchange of people in both countries. In 1998, the head of the joint chiefs of staff will visit us (in March) and the first English Lord Admiral (in June). We are also hoping that the defence minister George Robertson will confirm his visit here.

Have you received any special instructions from the government?

"We believe that it is a great responsibility, because we are dealing with an important step which aims at consolidating the relations, even though both countries have different opinions concerning the Falklands.

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"I would have invited Menem"

In his book Hurd says that one of the most important functions of diplomacy is negotiation. With this in mind he refers to three "extremely difficult" negotiations: That which took place with China concerning the construction of the new airport in Hong Kong; the oil and fishing negotiations with Argentina in reference to the Falklands and the Maastricht Treaty.

But when Hurd was reminded that the fishing issue has yet to reach an agreement with Argentina, Hurd reacts indignantly. "Ah, not that. Yes, we did reach an agreement concerning squid, which inconveniently is born in Argentine waters, breeds in Falklands waters and dies in Argentine waters. First of all we



British press Headline stories: Dec 1 - Dec 5

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR MONDAY 1 DECEMBER 1997 CJD TISSUE TRANS- PLANT

On a morning preoccupied with domestic issues, the *Daily Mail*, the *Telegraph* and the *Daily Express* all lead with a story prominent in most papers: an urgent health service inquiry after the disclosure that tissue from the eyes of a woman donor who had been suffering from CJD, the human form of mad cow disease, was used in three transplants. *The Times* reports that the material was cleared for transplant despite a post-mortem examination which showed that the woman had CJD. *The Telegraph* says transplant surgery throughout Britain will be reviewed because of the affair.

WELFARE BENEFIT CUTS

The Independent's lead story tells readers that planned changes in Government welfare spending overwhelmingly penalise women and favour men. The paper says the Government's decision to go ahead with a cut in benefits to single parents is just one example of the bias. However the *Times'* front-page headline says that measures could be delayed as the Government tries to defuse what it calls 'the biggest revolt by backbench Members of Parliament since the Labour Party won power last May'.

KYOTO WORLD CLIMATE CONFERENCE

In low-key foreign coverage, the *Independent* focuses on the opening of the world climate conference in the Japanese city of Kyoto. The paper's correspondent says Japan is desperate to make a success of the meeting, but will be torn between its desire to present a green face yet still please its ally - the United States. On another global event - World AIDS Day - a *Guardian* editorial warns that the disease is spreading in the developing world on an almost unimaginable scale, with 16,000 people a day becoming infected. *The Guardian* says that, ironically, the biggest threat to the Third World could be the retreat of AIDS in the West and the complacency that would almost certainly follow.

CZECH COALITION COLLAPSES

A Times editorial examines the collapse of the Czech coalition government, declaring that the free-market conviction of the Prime Minister, Vaclav Klaus, deserves to outlast his political eclipse. *The Times* believes that his errors have been those of implementation, not of strategy.

MONTSERRATIAN SCHOOL CHILDREN

The Sun laments news that school children from Montserrat evacuated to Britain from the volcanic Caribbean island have been surprised to find British education standards are not as high as back home. *The Times* agrees that what it calls 'the children's old-fashioned virtues and attitudes' have long disappeared from Britain's inner cities.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR TUESDAY 2 DECEMBER 1997 SOUTH AFRICAN TRUTH COMMISSION

The more serious papers report on the hearings at the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in South Africa into allegations that a popular doctor in Soweto was murdered on the orders of Winnie Madikizela-Mandela. While other papers concentrate on the supposed intimidation of witnesses by Mrs Mandela, *The Independent* questions whether the governing ANC is really - as it puts it - hanging her out to dry, in order to thwart her bid to become the party's deputy president. It notes that the premier of Mpumalanga province, Mathews Phosa, kissed Mrs Mandela even while the doctor's family was weeping over the latest testimony against her.

Counterbalancing its account of the proceedings, *The Times* reports that the Truth Commission's investigators have uncovered mass graves containing the bodies of at least 260 black activists allegedly murdered in the last years of white rule. Calling them 'the killing fields of apartheid', the same Mathews Phosa dismisses the assertion by the last apartheid-era president, FW De Klerk that he

didn't know about political murders. He tells the paper: 'It's like Hitler saying he did not know about Auschwitz.'

KYOTO WORLD CLIMATE CONFERENCE

The Guardian on its front page reports a warning from four British scientists addressed to delegates at the environment conference in the Japanese city of Kyoto. The scientists predict that global warming could kill more than 20 million people over the next 50 years. The four, whom the paper calls key advisers to the British Government, said they had calculated how many lives would be saved by the decisions taken in Kyoto, and had found that whatever happens at the summit, millions are at risk from starvation, drowning or thirst. They said they had released their findings to, as they put it, inject some reality into the proceedings.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR WEDNESDAY 3 DECEMBER 1997

NEW TAX-FREE SAV- INGS SCHEME

Most papers are preoccupied with a new tax-free scheme announced by the British Finance Minister Gordon Brown to encourage people on low incomes to start saving. *The Times* points out that nearly half the adult population in Britain have no savings at all, and warns that today's workers will not be able to rely on the welfare state to underwrite their old age. The scheme for the first time involves supermarkets - people will be able to invest at the checkout. *The Sun* attacks the Government for scrapping existing tax-free schemes and taxing investments exceeding 50,000 pounds - that is around 80,000 dollars. It ridicules the claim by the Paymaster-General Geoffrey Robinson that such people are relatively well-off. Reminding readers of Mr Robinson's admission that he has 13 million pounds in tax-avoiding offshore accounts, the *Sun* says that if the savings limit were raised, he might be encouraged to bring his money back to Britain. *The Daily Mail* puts it more bluntly. It tells Mr Brown that kicking those who have already got the savings habit is a rotten way to popularise thrift. And the *Daily Telegraph* says the plan will punish a million savers.

PAKISTAN PRESIDENT RESIGNS

On the foreign pages the crisis in Pakistan gets prominent coverage. *The Times* says the resignation of President Leghari leaves the Prime Minister, Nawaz Sharif in an unassailable position. And it warns that with so few constraints there will be an overwhelming temptation for him to move towards a more dictatorial style of government. *The Guardian* agrees, saying he could be emboldened to eliminate all checks on his power.

TURNER ART PRIZE

Finally, the *Daily Mail* puts a wry spin on the news that the prestigious Turner prize for art has been won by a video artist whose work includes shots of a line of policemen trying to sit still for an hour. Its headline says: 'Constable Picture Wins the Turner', adding in brackets: (No. Not That Constable.)

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER 1997 WINNIE MANDELA HEARING

The one foreign story that grabs the attention is the Truth Commission hearing in South Africa into allegations against Winnie Mandela. Reports dwell on the gruesome murders recounted by her former bodyguard Jerry Richardson, who said he killed on her orders. *The Guardian* reckons the testimony gave Mrs Mandela a substantial boost; it says that during what it calls 'a bizarre performance under cross-examination,' Mr Richardson repeatedly contradicted himself. *The Daily Telegraph* agrees that his credibility was badly impaired by his own admission that he had been a police spy. It describes his comportment as 'eccentric', saying that it pandered to attempts by Mrs Mandela's lawyer to discredit him.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE

The heavyweight papers devote an inordinate amount of coverage to the row over the Royal Opera House at Covent Garden - a front-page story, two feature pages, a columnist's view and leader article in *The Times* alone. An all-party committee of MPs has recommended that the entire Board resign over what one member called 'abysmal failures' which have left the Opera House in Covent Garden heavily in debt. *The Times*, *Telegraph*, *Guardian* and *Independent* all latch on to the line in the report that said: 'We would prefer to see the House run by a Philistine with the requisite financial acumen than by a succession of opera and ballet lovers who have brought a great and valuable institution to its knees.' *The Times* leader remarks caustically that while operas are supposed to be melodramatic, Select Committees are not. *The Independent* begs to differ. It says the report has turned a parliamentary formality into the best show in town. But it doubts that it will have much effect, recalling that when a similar committee attacked the exorbitant cost of compact discs, the record companies simply raised the prices.

BEEF-ON-THE-BONE BANNED

There's also exasperation in several papers at the British Government's decision to ban beef-on-the-bone, putting further pressure on farmers squeezed by the scare over mad cow disease. *The Mirror* asks: 'What the hell CAN we eat?', while the *Daily Mail* headline poses the question: 'Beef: What Are We to Believe Now?'

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Pre-schooler, Jessica Chapman (4) receives the Alice Keenleyside Cup for her picture of 'An animal.'



Infant/Junior School Prizegiving 1997

IN a packed School hall this week, children of the Infant/Junior School were presented with a variety of prizes for achievements throughout the year.

His Excellency the Governor, Mr Ralph, opened the prizegiving with a few words of encouragement for those children who would not receive a prize, saying, "at least you know you did your best," and suggesting it may be their turn next year.

Throughout the hour, children from Pre-School to year 2 performed their carefully rehearsed songs, and the event was opened with a song of welcome from Junior Pupils.

Left: Medal winner Alex Birmingham

Top: Pre-school pupils perform 'tap-sticks'.

Right: Infant/Junior School pupils. Below: Group receive third prize for Year 3 sharing project. Bottom left: Prize-winner, Jason Stephenson



A wonderful effort from FICS pupils says Eileen

EILEEN JAFFRAY was delighted to report that the Christmas cards designed by pupils of the Community School sold out very quickly, raising £252.50 for the Stephen Jaffray Memorial Fund. £68.10 was also raised for the fund by the pupils of Mrs Simpson's class, 11 Ross. "It was a wonderful effort on the part of the children," said Eileen, and asked that her gratitude be publicly expressed to them.

Because of the popularity of the FICS Christmas Cards, Art Teacher, Tim Simpson, intends to have a great deal more printed next year. Many of the cards were purchased by local businesses for sending to clients - a gesture which also meant a great deal to Eileen Jaffray.

Apology

Our apologies to Karl McKay of Stanley, for mistakenly referring to him in *Penguin News* last week, as Karl Tapper.

A SEISMIC SURVEY will commence in the area shown below on December 7 and is expected to take approximately two weeks

1. Vessel Details: Name: *MV L'Espoir*. Int Call Sign: PFPY. LOA: 66.3 metres. Beam: 10.6 metres. Draft: 5.0 metres. GRT: 1168 tonnes. NRT: 350 tonnes. Hull colour: Navy Blue. Superstructure colour: White. The area in which this survey will be conducted is bounded by the following co-ordinates:

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Gurkhas conquer Commando Challenge

FIDF compete strongly on march but lose points on tasks

THE much vaunted 'Commando Challenge', a four day yomp from Port San Carlos to Stanley punctuated by various military tasks, proved every bit as tough as it was expected to be.

Six teams of eight men from different units, plus another, unofficial team of three Stanley women, set out to cross, on foot, the widest part of East Falkland, emulating the feat of the British

of the East. Close to the end of that first day the teams met with their first commando task in the lee of Curvado Rocks. These were fairly gentle, in comparison with what was to come on later days, and consisted of first aid and signals, both in theory and practice.

JCUFI were the only team to lose a man on the first day. He became violently ill with suspected food poisoning and was airlifted

short. Approaching the Murrell the teams faced a CQB (close quarter battle) situation which constituted that day's command task.



Above: Cpl Paul Watson

On timing alone the teams had settled into a pecking order that remained unchanged right to the end of the exercise. Leading, with the shortest time taken, were the Gurkhas. Behind them came the FIDF and then the Falkland Islands Field Squadron.

Though day four presented the teams with their least taxing march, in terms of distance at around 20 kilometres, it was still a strength-sapping programme with Wireless Ridge and Sappers Hill to scale and several command tasks to overcome. The first of these was an exhausting section attack up Mount Longdon, the second, a falling plate shoot at the Rookery Bay firing range.

This last was a straightforward time trial, the Gurkhas pipping the FIDF by a mere two seconds.

The physical effort over, the

fastest composite time. The FIDF team, though in second place on the march, were pushed into third place by the Falkland Islands Field Squadron after all penalties were applied. JCUFI were fourth while HMS Brave and the Resident Rapier Squadron finished with under the required number of men to count in the team competition.

Major Marvin Clarke, FIDF, who originated the concept of the four day event, said the exercise had been, "totally worthwhile." It had been, he said, very testing from the organisation and management point of view. Back up teams had been had been extremely busy having to, "build a new camp for the marchers every day. Non-competitors providing logistics support often worked from dawn to mid-



Above: Lt Derek Clarke, FIDF night - longer hours than the teams themselves." Major Clarke added. The list of personnel Major Clarke has reason to be grateful to is long but he particularly wanted to mention Corporal Paul Watson and Private Gerard Ford (FIDF) for assisting with the preparation of the exercise: Captain Docherty, Lance Corporal Knight (medic)



Above: The Gurkhas face their first commando task in good spirits Left: Captain Peter Biggs arriving at New House and Sapper Hastings.

He wished, also, to thank the landowners over whose wide acres the teams had tramped, and Tony and Jenny Anderson and Carol and Terrence Philips for the use of their facilities.

As expected the Gurkhas took the final honours completing the march from West to East in the



Above: FIDF team ready to leave Port San Carlos

Forces during the conflict of 1982.

The six teams were: the Falkland Islands Defence Force, the Falkland Islands Field Squadron, the Resident Infantry Company (the Gurkhas on attachment to the 1st Battalion Princess of Wales Regiment), the Resident Rapier Squadron, JCUFI (Joint Communications Unit Falkland Islands),

back to MPA.

In another incident on that first day a BV, attempting to intercept two teams that were marching in the wrong direction, came to grief on the steep hillside and rolled over. No one was injured but a Chinook helicopter had to fly in a replacement and then remove the damaged BV.

The longest march of the four day exercise (on day two) took the teams 35 kilometres South East to the Malo. It also took an increasingly heavy toll on the teams. Twisted ankles and blisters were much in evidence with HMS Brave, RRS and FIDF all losing a man each. Katrina Stephenson went down with an injured knee and was airlifted to KEMH from the first checkpoint, but after treatment was flown back the same day to rejoin her team-mates at the Malo.

Day Two's command task involved crossing a river keeping the majority of kit and clothing dry. One team took the instructions almost too literally and stripped completely, wading across the icy, shoulder deep water with their equipment held above their heads.

The 25 kilometres from the Malo to the Murrell Bridge on the third day was a relatively short hike for the now yomp-hardened teams, though JCUFI, FIDF, HMS Brave and the RRS were still a man



HMS Brave, and the women's team - Miranda Cheek and Katrina Stephenson of the FIDF, and Trudi Clarke.

Day one saw the teams heading out of Port San Carlos at hourly intervals; their destination, Hope Cottage, around 31 kilometres to

The Soccer Scene

Stanley fall to organised Endurance

by Patrick Watts

THE scoreline tells its own story but the chapters make interesting reading. Missing team captain, Jimmy Curtis, goalkeeper, Goodwin, plus Philips, Peck and Henry, meant that youngsters Luke Clarke and Wayne Clement were asked to take on difficult tasks, while the obvious lack of match practice - just one game played previously - on the bigger pitch (which now measures 122 x 67 yards, was an obvious disadvantage to all players.

In recent years Stanley have easily dismissed the challenge of Endurance, so it was a delight to see a well organised and eager Royal Navy team, fresh from

isolated up-front on the few occasions that the ball reached them.

Stand-in goalie, Neil Clifton, had little chance of saving any of the goals which flew past him and he made several important, and brave, saves in the second half.

A goal within seconds of the restart virtually killed off any hope the home side may have had of turning the tide, and it was not until mid-way through the second half before the visiting keeper was troubled by a shot from Riddell.

Stanley had the misfortune to lose Clarke, Chater and Smith with injuries in what was a hard but never a dirty game.

Less pleasant was the conduct



between the two sets of supporters. Uncertainty surrounds the prospects of a second game between the two sides in February, but Endur-

ance took the cup away with them following a get together in the Upland Goose (team kit joint sponsors) afterwards, and on the day they fully deserved their victory.



Above and top right: Two moments from an absorbing game

pounding an Argentine Navy team to an 8-1 defeat in Buenos Aires, take the field.

Stanley's defence had a nightmare start and after just twelve minutes had conceded 3 goals. The midfield players found it difficult to cope with the extra yardage and strikers Riddell and Ross were left

of several of the Endurance supporters who verbally abused Penguin News photographer and Editor, Lisa Riddell, and her young son, and also threw stones at linesman, Simon Goodwin, when his decisions displeased them. This was not the traditional good-natured banter normally exchanged

Keith's Cross goes South

KEITH Wheeler is a 37 year old American to whom the old saw 'we all have our cross to bear' has a special, and very literal, meaning.

For the past twelve years the man from Tulsa, Oklahoma has been walking the world 'carrying' a timber cross twelve feet long and six feet wide. However, Keith has had to contend with modern prac-

ticalities the Romans never did, and in deference to airline and shipping restrictions has built his cross in sectional form for ease of transportation. A pneumatic wheel prevents the end of the cross wearing away as it is dragged over the ground.

Keith is an evangelical minister who says he is a 'Pilgrim For Peace', and has visited 85 countries with his cross, actually walking 11,000 miles.

Spreading what he calls, "the message for Jesus," has taken him to Nicaragua, El Salvador, Bosnia and South Africa. He has been caught up in

League News

Globe Tavern 11 Redsox 1

THE Stanley Services League season opened with decisive victories for the Globe Tavern and Victory teams. The Globe overwhelmed a generally young and inexperienced Redsox team by 11-1, with Colin Buckland and captain, Troyd Bowles, both hitting hat tricks. Chris Gilbert scored twice

while Claudio Ross, Wayne Clement and Ian Jordan also hit the back of the net. Redsox consolation goal came from Javier Lazo.

Full marks must go to the losers for battling to the very end, and in particular young John Smith deserves a mention for his skill and gutsy approach.

Victory Bar 5 Argos 1

THE Victory's 5-1 win over Argos was a rather flattering scoreline, but chances were taken when they came, and Jeremy 'Spurs' Henry scored twice with captain, Dale McCormick, hitting an unstoppable volley and Bill Chater adding to the total. William Goss's own goal completed the Victory's scoring.

At the other end Paul Riddell, who could have had a first half hat trick, did achieve the reward which his hard work deserved with a late effort.

Young Stephen Aldridge showed immense promise for Argos and was unlucky not to get his name on the scoresheet.

Globe Tavern 1 Argos 0

Last Tuesday Argos were just two minutes away from a 0-0 draw with the Globe but the ever dangerous James Peck swung the ball in from a corner which deceived everyone and hit the back of the net.

Earlier, Argos goalkeeper, Frankie Hayward, had saved a Troyd Bowles penalty. Argos were lucky not to get a point having survived a wave of attacks from the Globe.

more than twenty wars, arrested at least twenty times by suspicious authorities, beaten and left for dead by men with clubs in Shreeveport, Louisiana, and even faced a firing squad in Southern Mexico.

Through all this turbulence Keith still maintains as normal a family life as possible. He is married to Cherie and has a daughter, Hannah, who is seven, and a son, Josiah, four. The maximum time he will allow himself to be away from them in any twelve month period is 122 days - a third of a year, but never for more than three weeks at a time.

The determination with which he clings to this regime is demon-

strated by the fact that Hannah, though only seven, has already set foot on six different continents, Josiah, still only four years old, on five.

He has never, he says, asked for money or donations for his ministry but found people and businesses gave anyway so he formed a non-profit making organisation to enable donors to set their gifts against taxes.

His stay in the Falklands was probably his briefest anywhere, managing to get ashore from the cruise ship *Disko* for a few hours before sailing on into Southern waters to 'carry' his cross in Antarctica.



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NOTICES

SCOUT POST

Post your Christmas Cards in a Scout Post Box and we will deliver them anywhere in Stanley for just 5p a card. Boxes are located in the Gift Shop, Kelper Store, K2, Fleetwing, Pastimes, Celebrations. Co-op, Beauchene, KEMH and Leisure Centre

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PERSONAL



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Postscript - from St Mary's

One Minute Wisdom

To a Preacher who kept saying, "We must put God in our lives," the Master said, "He is already there. Our business is to recognise this." An encouraging thought for these weeks of Advent when we Christians are invited to reflect on the coming of Our Saviour, Jesus Christ

PERSONAL

Trudi, Katrina and Miranda would like to thank everyone who helped last week with our walk from Port San Carlos to Stanley. Especially the FIDF Support Staff, the Phillips and Andersons, our sponsors and the Commando Challenge Teams

Jim and Jean Lewis would like to thank everyone who has sent cards, gifts and best wishes to Jean whilst in the UK on medical. Your kind thoughts are greatly appreciated. They would also like to take this opportunity to wish all relatives, friends and acquaintances a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year, as no cards will be sent this year

Glen and Margaret would like to thank all the staff at the KEMH not only for the safe arrival of our beautiful daughter Vicky, but for caring for the two invalids also lingering in the Maternity Ward. Special thanks go to the Surgical Team, Drs Diggle and Elsbey, Jane Cotter, Ros, Paula, Elaine, Janette, and Mandy. We would also like to thank our families for taking good care of all three of us at this delicate time!! Finally we would like to say a big thanks to everyone for their cards, gifts and good wishes.

The family of the late Frank Howatt would like to thank everyone for their kind words, cards and flowers at the time of their recent, sad bereavement.

Falkland Club, Battle day party. The party to celebrate Battle Day will be held this year on Sunday the 7th December, commencing at 9pm. Usual rules apply, please remember to bring a plate of food for the buffet table. Thank you

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At a specially arranged press conference held in the Councillor's office in Gilbert House on Tuesday, December 9, visiting peer, Viscount Montgomery of Alamein, CBE, said he knew he was considered to be 'pro-Argentina' because he had been "misquoted in the Falkland Islands News Letter. Indeed," he said, "I am pro-Argentina. I'm pro-Chile, I'm pro-Brazil, I'm pro-Salvador, I'm pro-Cuba."

His fellow visitor, Baroness Hooper, interjected, "And pro-Falklands too."

Lord Montgomery said there is no incompatibility in being pro-Latin America and being pro-Falklands. "We need to live in peace with our neighbours," he said, "the question of sovereignty is a completely different issue, a political issue which impacts on the trading patterns in this part of the world. It impacts on the relationships between the countries concerned and the countries in Latin America. Anything I can do to bring peace and understanding between countries, I shall do."

Viscount Montgomery has been involved with Latin America for over forty years, chiefly in a con-

Pro Argentine and pro Falklands claim peers

Lord Montgomery, Councillor Lewis Clifton and Baroness Hooper at a 'lively' public meeting held in the Court and Council Chamber on December 9.



sultancy and advisory role assisting commercial enterprise. He is a past president of the Anglo-Argentine Society and is vice-chairman of the All Party British Latin-American Parliamentary Group. For many years he has been Managing Director of Terimar Services, a company

providing consultancy and investment services for companies overseas, primarily in Latin America.

Baroness Hooper is a lawyer by profession, and a Conservative Life Peeress. She has been a member of the European Parliament and is currently Deputy Speaker in the House of Lords. Her business interests include a number of directorships, among them Morgan Grenfell Latin American Companies Trust plc., which is heavily involved in investing in Latin

America.

Both Baroness Hooper and Viscount Montgomery are members of the controversial South Atlantic Council, and are in the Falklands as invited guests of the Falkland Islands Government.

Lord Montgomery's interest in the Falklands situation is, he says, "a purely personal one." He has been in Parliament for twenty two years but has never been in the government.

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Strong opinions in stormy public meeting

A STORMY meeting in the Court and Council Chamber at which Baroness Hooper and Viscount Montgomery met members of the public on Tuesday, December 9, left the noble visitors in no doubt as to the unpopularity of their more liberal suggestions concerning relations with Argentina.

Asked by Annie Gisby, of Stanley, what his position is on the Falkland Islands position, Lord Montgomery replied that he was, "sad about your relationship with Argentina. They are friendly to

you, why should you not be friendly to them?"

He said there would be advantages in a closer relationship and that trade links crossed international boundaries. "Now that Argentina is a stable democracy you have nothing to fear, because throughout history no democracy has ever started a war."

Mrs Judy Summers told him it was too soon. "The relationship with Argentina impinges on everything. They would have to wait at least another generation."

Cook defends Gibraltar from Spanish pressure

FOREIGN Minister, Robin Cook, responded negatively on December 10 to a suggestion from Madrid that Gibraltar should revert to Spanish rule at the end of an indeterminate transition period during which it should be ruled jointly by Britain and Spain. As with the Falklands and Argentina, Mr Cook said it was, "the fundamental position of the British Government that there can be no compromise on sovereignty against the wishes of the people of Gibraltar." Gibraltarians massively rejected any change in their status in the most recent referendum, reported the *Daily Telegraph* on December 11.

Mr Cook also denounced repeated intimidation by Spain which has threatened to make the border crossing from the Spanish mainland to the Rock even more slow

and difficult than it is. "The policy of pressure adopted by Spain from time to time will not work," Mr Cook said. *cont page 9*

Falkland Islands Association honour Velma for dedication

AFTER many dedicated years as a member of, and working for, the Falkland Islands Association, it was announced that Mrs Velma Malcolm of Stanley has been made a Vice President for Life of the Association. Sir Rex Hunt made the announcement at a meeting on December 6 and in a letter to H E The Governor, Mr Richard Ralph.

IN a question for written answer from Councillor Jan Cheek, the Chief Executive was asked to indicate 'how many dwellings are in the Government housing pool, and of those how many are occupied or allocated?' The Chief Executive replied, 'There are currently 193 Government owned properties, of these 186 are available for general allocation and 182 are allocated at present, of these 65 are allocated to contract staff. Three of the unallocated quarters are Murray Heights Park Homes designated for students/trainees returning from overseas, the fourth being a two bedroom house subject to recovery through the Courts. There are currently 7 quarters unoccupied.'

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Editorial written this week by Deputy Editor, Tony Burnett

GERMAN playwright Bertolt Brecht, wrote in 1939, *Unhappy the land that has no heroes!... No. Unhappy the land that needs heroes.* Of course he meant *people* not *land* but that is hairsplitting on an (sic) heroic level, and, whether we need them or not, most of us embrace the concept of heroism without necessarily understanding why, or what it really is. The child has his Superman; the adolescent his pop star or sportsman; the adult his Amelia Earhardt or Edmund Hillary or Colonel H Jones. Heroes, to our ordinary minds, are extraordinary people who achieve extraordinary things. They are often the product, too, of an extraordinary time and set of circumstances, for instance, would Douglas Bader have become the icon of persistent courage that he did to a Britain desperate for images of hope if Hitler hadn't invaded Poland? And would Joan of Arc, with her visions and attendant mysticism, so potent in the fifteenth century, have achieved sainthood in a more 'enlightened' era?

If you are by now wondering where I'm going with this, have patience - I think I know and I will get to it.

My belief is that heroes are more often perceived than real, and real heroes never perceive themselves as such - a fact more thrust upon me than observed at around lunchtime on Sunday, December 7th. I had just completed the Cape Pembroke Half Marathon, finishing, literally, miles behind the winner, but in a time respectable for a man of my years. I lounged, complacently comfortable, in warm sunshine on the lush grass of Victory Green munching an apple, sipping a cool fruit juice, exchanging war stories of the race just run with other early finishers and applauding slower competitors as they finished. It was a good twenty minutes after my race was over that I watched a heavily built man, mouth agape, vest dark and sodden with sweat, stagger, rather than run, over the finish line and collapse, chest heaving, on the grass. I saw him smile, and it was then that the thought occurred to me that here, on this day, at this time, I was looking at a hero.

Two hours before, at the Totem Pole start of the race, I had seen the same man, pensively staring towards the distant lighthouse, the momentarily unguarded expression on his face clearly speaking of apprehension at the coming ordeal. He shifted his over-weight body ponderously from foot to foot in unenthusiastic parody of a warm up. Close to him, already on their toes, were a group of the elite runners. Their faces showed only exhilarated anticipation. To them would go the honours of the first, second and third places; one of them was even about to set a new course record that may never be bettered. Thirteen miles on foot held no terrors for them - they often run further in training.

To my fleshy hero, though, thirteen miles represented a small Everest, which, two massively painful hours on, he had conquered. Blistered, bruised, and unutterably weary he lay on the grass gulping air to repay the oxygen debt he owed his aching muscles, and the smile he wore was the smile of a winner. I stayed then, along with many others, to applaud every last hobbling runner and walker, seeing them now not as losers but as heroes who, because they had started something, refused to quit until they had finished.

Heroism is often perceived rather than real. Real heroism is facing the unknown, frequently with fear, but facing it. Real heroism is rising to each day knowing it will be little different from the last. Real heroism is sometimes going on doing something we'd really rather not but do because others depend on it. Real heroism is maintaining the ordinariness of every day living that provides extraordinary people with the theatres in which they perform their extraordinary feats.

ON a less philosophically esoteric note, and, at the risk of being obvious, we are fast approaching the end of 1997. There has been much to relish in 1997. There have been political triumphs and, some would say, disasters; there have been commercial changes; marriages, births and, inevitably, deaths. There has been sporting success; advances on the oil front and conservation worries: There has been tragedy, pathos and humour and even the occasional belly laugh - all the necessary ingredients, really, that go into the making of a top soap opera.

Next week, in a special feature, to say farewell to 1997, *Penguin News* takes an affectionate look at the year past. Don't miss it, you'll be surprised how much has happened, and how much of it you have forgotten.

THIS week we have been enjoying the presence of distinguished guests Lord Montgomery and Baroness Hooper. Having interviewed the noble personages and also listened to them at a public meeting in the Court and Council Chamber I was struck by how much Baroness Hooper appears to have learned from her brief time here, and how little Lord Montgomery has. Whether sincerity had much to do with what either said is a matter of opinion but while his Lordship advocates a new openness of attitude to the 'friendly' Argentines it is sad that his own attitude to the Falklands seems so utterly closed and divorced from reality.

Your letters

Why not let di Tella visit?

THERE has been a lot of debate regarding the proposed visit to the Falklands by Guido di Tella. My view is, why not let him come and see the Islands for himself, and let him meet the Islanders - the man in the street, as the saying goes. He (Mr di Tella) has only gained an impression of some of the people, mostly councillors, mainly via the *Penguin News*. If he meets others he may realise that the people of these Islands are happier as they are. Di Tella's daughter went away with a good impression of the place, so we could hope that he would go with the same feelings. In many parts of the world, leaders meet leaders from other countries which have strained relations,

in search of peace, so I can't see any harm in him coming - as long as he is not accompanied by a large entourage.

Jock Fairley
Port Stephens.

Business minded leadership

CREDIT for Koreans, eviction for tenants. That's business minded leadership.

E. Andersen
Stanley

Penguin News Christmas opening hours fact sheet
If local businesses and other public services wish to include details of their Christmas opening hours in the above fact sheet (in the last edition of *Penguin News* before Christmas - Dec 19) details should reach us by December 15


Send your family, friends or clients a Christmas message through the pages of Penguin News at only £3 per column inch (OAPs - £2 per column inch)
Christmas messages for publication in Penguin News on Friday December 19 (the last publication before Christmas) should reach us by December 15, 4.30pm.

THE following communication was received by His Excellency the Governor from Buckingham Palace this week:
THE Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh have asked me to thank you, the Government and the people of the Falkland Islands for your kind message of good wishes on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Her Majesty and His Royal Highness greatly enjoyed all the events organised to celebrate their anniversary and were very touched by the many messages they received. The Queen and Prince Philip have asked me to send you all their best wishes and renewed thanks for your kind thought.
Mrs Mary Francis
Assistant Private Secretary to The Queen

Falklands' water project a success in Nepalese village

COUNCILLOR John Birmingham recently received an update on the project in Nepal funded by the Falkland Islands Government to assist the residents of a village called Simtar in their quest for 'safe water'.

According to Debbie Holmes of the Charity Water Aid, construction of the gravity scheme, and tap stands, has recently been completed due to prevailing weather conditions allowing work to progress unhindered. The gravity scheme, says Ms Holmes, is now in place and safe water is available to the villagers.

The construction comprised a main trench being built from the spring to the allocated tapstands. This was completed ahead of schedule which meant that the work to protect the spring could begin very quickly. The community, she goes on, have been fully involved with all aspects of the construction and had ensured that the maintenance systems were set up to allow for the project to be fully handed over at completion.

All six tapstands are in position and the villagers are using these for all their domestic water needs. She adds, "All 47 households have deposited money for the further construction of the latrines. This means we have been able to go ahead and cast the main components for the latrines and the trenches are in the process of being dug."

Regarding community participation, Ms Holmes explains that the villagers have set up a water and health committee, from whom they have chosen community members to take on the roles of caretakers and maintenance workers. A number of women from the village have volunteered to be trained as health workers, a role which is vital to the progression of the project, as without health and sanitation education the villagers are unlikely to receive the full benefits of the water and sanitation supply.

The villagers have been fully involved at all stages of the work, donating their labour whilst continuing with their normal work to ensure the supply was constructed

Royal Marine plaque unveiled at Port Egmont



THE Commandant General of the Royal Marines, Major General David Pennefather CB OBE, recently unveiled a plaque to commemorate the men of King George III's Navy and Marines who lie buried on the hillside at Port Egmont, the site of the first British settlement in the Falklands. The men were at the garrison at Port Egmont between 1766 and 1770. General Pennefather unveiled the plaque on December 7.

Museum Curator, John Smith, told *Penguin News* that there are five graves, unmarked except for simple headstones of local rock, almost concealed in the ground. As part of the Camp cemeteries refurbishment programme, which is now part of the Falkland Islands Museum and National Trust, the site has been enclosed within a ranch style post and rail fence with the cast metal plaque positioned on the northern side.

As well as being a fitting memorial to those hardier men in har-

dier times, said John, the grave site will be of additional interest to those many people who now visit the remains of the old settlement.

General Pennefather was accompanied on the visit by HE the Governor, Richard Ralph, Joan Spruce and John Smith of the museum and National Trust. The plaque was produced at the Royal Label Factory in Chippenham and the whole project made possible by the support, encouragement and enthusiasm of David and Susan Pole-Evans, and all at Saunders Island, who, despite heavy shearing commitments managed to get the fence up, painted and the plaque installed in record time; and also to former Royal Marine, Dennis Bolt, for making the wooden plinth.

Wreaths were donated by local representatives of the Royal Marines, Royal British Legion, Red Cross and Royal Naval Association.

Public Notice
ANYONE wishing to subscribe to the 1998 Falkland Islands Gazette (the official Government publication containing such items as Government appointments and Ordinances) may do so by contacting the General Office in the Secretariat. The cost of the 1998 subscription for people living in the Falkland Islands is £25. Those living overseas who wish to subscribe should contact the General Office in the Secretariat for further details.
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Looking back on November
Births
November 3: A boy, Nathaniel James Howells to Lorna Marie Howells.
November 6: A girl, Sinead Zara McGill to Darrel Ian McGill and Lynn Jane Summers.
November 13: A boy, Phillip Richard Short, to Gavin Phillip Short and Loreto Yvonne Short nee Mora Munro.
November 12: A boy, Fergal Kerr to John Aidan Kerr and Pauline Bernadette Kerr nee Boylan.
November 15: A girl, Kate Alexandra Stenning to Timothy Charles Stenning and Anna Russalka Stenning nee Dougherty.
November 28: A girl, Victoria Margaret Williams to Glen Williams and Margaret Elizabeth Williams nee Lang.
Deaths
November 26: Frank Derby Howatt aged 81 years.

LEIF'S
We are now taking orders for sliced meats, salads and cheese for collection on 23 or 24 December or to be sent to camp. We are again offering our Hamper Service delivered anywhere in Stanley or posted to Camp. All hamper orders to be received by Wednesday 17 December please.
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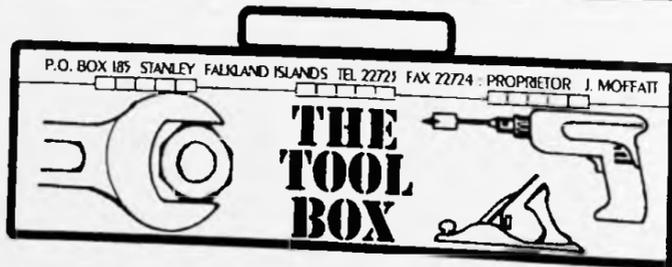
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News of 'end of year' events at the Falkland Islands Community School

Prizegiving 1997

RELATIVES and friends of pupils of the Community School gathered in the Gymnasium on December 3, to observe the annual prizegiving for achievements throughout the year.

Presented by the Governor were: prizes for winners of the Susan Whitley Exhibition Awards, Christmas Card design and com-

position awards, Head Teacher's Commendation Certificates, Records of Achievements (Yr11), Duke of Edinburgh Awards (Bronze), School Debate prizes, and the award for the Chief Executive's Prize for Progress (winner Sammy Hirtle). The Endeavour Prize was presented to Louise McLeod, while the Chilean Community Prize for the Best Boy Student for Spanish was won by Leiv Poncet, and the Mary Booth Shield for the Best Girl Student of Spanish was received by Georgina Strange.

Girl Marti Barnes won the boys Prize for Endeavour in Sport, and Marie Summers took the equivalent award for girls.

John and Jan Cheek's Award for Sport were also presented, with Joe Clarke winning the prize for the Best Overall Boy, and Claire Kilmartin winning Best Overall



Pupils (and a party) to be proud of

A LEAVING dance was held in the FIDF hall on November 28, to mark the departure of the present Year 11 from the Falkland Islands Community School, before, as a teacher put it, they head out in to the big wide world. Year 11, with a little help from their tutors, Mrs Fowler and Mrs Simpson, and under the creative supervision of Jaimie Correa, did the rest - from making guest lists, designing the invitations, transforming the FIDF hall into a festive area, and providing food.



In a report for Penguin News, one of the tutors said, "But more than the excellent organisational effort they put in, these departing pupils showed, by their behaviour and standards of dress, that they are young people we can all be proud of, a credit to themselves, their parents, their teachers and

their community.... they also looked sensational as the photographs show."

An evening of music with FICS



Above: FICS pupils treat parents and friends to a medley of Elvis Presley hits. At the Falkland Islands Community School 'Evening of Music' the audience listened to music ranging from 'Allegro Moderato in F' (Ailie Biggs on piano) and 'Skye Boat Song' performed by 7 Ross, to 'March of the Indians' - an IGCSE composition by Marie Summers. The evening also included an award of certificates of merit to Year 9 for composition, and a presentation of prizes to winners of the Carol Writing Competition.



Battle Day remembered



Above: Brownies on parade

A MEMORIAL Service in Christ Church Cathedral on December 8, began a day of remembrance for the victory gained by the British fleet over a German squadron on the same day in 1914. Prayers of remembrance were read at the service with HE the Governor quoting from the Book of Revelations (Ch 21 v1-7). As last year The Band of Her Majesty's Royal Marines played at the service, which was also attended by detachments of the Royal Navy, from HMS Leeds Castle, and the Falkland Islands Defence Force.

At approximately 10.15 the three detachments formed up outside the cathedral and marched, led by the Royal Marines, along Ross Road, past Government House to the Battle Memorial, where a large crowd had gathered in hot sunshine, and under uncommonly calm skies, to observe the parade.

At the Memorial a short service was held, followed by an inspection of the detachments by His Excellency the Governor, who paused to speak with many on parade. Wreaths were then laid by The Governor, representatives of Her Majesty's Forces, visiting Members of the House of Lords, Baroness Hooper and Lord Montgomery, and youth organisations. Major Clarke of the FIDF then formed up the parade before it was led away past the dais at Government House where the The Governor took the salute.

After the parade a well attended public reception was held in the Town Hall, ending the official niceties of this much respected day.



Left: The Band of The Royal Marines approach the Memorial
Major Marvin Clarke, FIDF, invites HE the Governor to inspect the troops

Bottom left: The Royal Marines Band at the junction of Ross Road West and Racecourse Road

Below: Baroness Hooper, Lord Montgomery and Major General Pennefather pay their respects



Above right: Stanley's Cub scouts also attended

Right: The Parade, led by the Band of the Royal Marines, passing Government House gardens en route to the Battle Day Memorial

Left: His Excellency, the Governor, Mr Richard Ralph, lays a wreath at the base of the Memorial



Above: The building of the Battle Day memorial after World War I
Below: HE, The Governor inspects the detachment of FIDF
Bottom l to r: Iris McPhee, Win Barnes (resident in New Zealand since 1964) and Rene Rowlands enjoy the balmy weather during the Battle Day Parade



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Information Pullout



December 13 - December 19

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Port Howard + 3hrs 19m		1913	0.5	0814
Teal Inlet + 3hrs 30m		0033	1.3	1438
Sea Lion Is. + 1hr 15m	Sunrise	0428		2130
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Hill Cove + 4hrs				2108
Berkeley Sound + 1hr 11m	15	0649	1.8	18
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13	0525	0.7		1533
	1146	1.5		2213
SAT	1826	0.5		
	2349	1.3		
Sunrise	0428			
Sunset	2105			
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TUE	0732	1.8		
	1403	0.2		
	2045	1.5		
Sunrise	0428			
Sunset	2107			
19	0327	0.7		
FRI	0942	1.6		
	1618	0.5		
Sunrise	0429			
Sunset	2109			

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	2.00 - 4.00	Public
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
Wednesday	7.00 - 8.00	Ladies
	12.00 - 1.00	Lanes
	2.00 - 4.00	Public
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
Thursday	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
	10.00 - 1.00	Public
	3.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
Friday	12.00 - 9.00	Public
	12.00 - 1.00	Lanes
	5.00 - 7.00	Public
	7.00 - 8.00	Adults
Saturday	10.00 - 4.00	Public
	4.00 - 5.00	Adults
	10.00 - 4.00	Public
Sunday	4.00 - 5.00	Adults



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They want to remove the mines from the Falklands

Foreign Minister Guido di Tella yesterday (Thursday) recalled that Argentina proposed to Great Britain the removal of the land explosives which its armed forces planted during the 1982 war conflict in 1982 in the Falkland Islands.

In Ottawa, Canada, Di Tella yesterday signed the conviction concerning the prohibition of the use, storage, production of land-mines and their destruction.

Argentina, thus became one of the 120 countries which reject the use of land-mines, which Lady Di had fought for until her death.

The agreement was proposed by Canada but opposed for diverse reasons by the United States, Russia, China, Finland, Turkey, Iran, Iraq and Egypt, among others, but they send observers to the conference, which, in practice, is a sign that they are in favour of banning the use of these bombs, which kill or mutilate 26,000 people every year.

"We have come to this meeting convinced of the need to confront with commitment and effectively the serious problem concerning the planting of land-mines," said Di Tella. "We do so believing that the most efficient way is to have a co-ordinated and continuous operation of the international community, to put an end to the serious damage which these devices produce all over the world," he added.

Lots of damage

Damages, according to di Tella, during his speech, affect indiscriminately soldiers and non-soldiers: "The massive signing by South American countries of the convention once again confirms South America's image as a region which wants peace, understanding, co-operation and progress," he added. "We are convinced that transforming this part of the world in an area free of the danger of these mines, is something achievable," he concluded.

AMBITO FINANCIERO 5/12/97

Another airline will link London to the Falklands.

A new airline will connect the Falkland Islands with London following a stop-over in the city of Montevideo, Uruguay. The inaugural flight is expected during the beginning of March 1998. This new, direct, connection between the Falkland Islands and the Oriental Republic of Uruguay, with the final destination of London, hinders the Argentine foreign ministry's aim of re-establishing air-links from Comodoro Rivadavia. The new connection is a private initiative which is led by Mike Summers - member of the legislative Council of the islands which was elected last October 9th - in agreement with British Airways, the United Kingdom's national flag carrier. The new company called Falkland Islands Airway (FIA) will link-up with the British Airways flights to London, which leave from Sao Paulo, Brazil, following a technical stop in Montevideo. Now, the islands government will have another way of linking the

Islands with the Continent which is added to the way they have had since the beginning of this year, when a subsidy for Lan Chile to fly from Punta Arenas, Falklands was approved. Summers initiative makes it more and more difficult for a direct connection with Argentina, something the charm offensive initiated by Foreign Minister Guido di Tella has been unsuccessfully seeking.

To try and get through the barriers put up by the kelpers concerning communication with our country, the foreign minister imagined a visit to the islands using another passport. The CARI Argentine Council of Foreign Relations said that the minister had obtained his inspiration from Napoleon Bonaparte's phrase "my best field-marshal is surprise." The efficiency of the measure as far as changing the Islanders attitude, was not discussed and the veteran diplomats used the classic "no comments" to avoid getting into the matter. The Islanders, on their part reject Di Tella's visit.

Strategy

The project of the new airline Falkland Islands Airways is part of a strategy of the islands government to link the consolidate links with the continent with Chile and Uruguay, so as not to have to depend upon Argentina in the future. Summers and his local partners strategy is following this and will take advantage of the British Airways route - Great Britain's national flag carrier - between London and South America, and using a plane from this company, will operate between the Islands, Uruguay and Brazil. The matter was studied by the Foreign Office, because to obtain permission the United Kingdom had to negotiate with Brazil. Up until now Great Britain had no rights to fly from that country to the Falklands.

The Argentine foreign ministry will have to shortly authorise the flying of the plane through Argentine air space, a request which the British government is handling, in the name of the islands government. The Argentine foreign ministry's policy has been of not putting up obstacles concerning flights, as long as the authorities of the stop-over country, Brazil or Chile, recognise Argentina's right to the route with the Falklands.

There has already been an attempt of an unsuccessful connection via Montevideo, in 1994 by Air Atlantic Uruguay. This airline used a Hercules C 130, but rumours linked the company to Argentine shareholders. The British Civil Aviation Authority and the Transport Department said that the chosen aeroplane "was not certified for commercial traffic." However, Air Atlantic sources confirmed that this company has "acquired the legitimate right" concerning the route, which means that it can make claims or hinder any attempt by other airlines of operation in the same route, such as the Falkland Islands Airways.

BUENOS AIRES HERALD 7/12/97

Another artist from the Falkland Islands is making his mark in Buenos Aires. To be precise, this time in the Recoleta Cultural Centre (last year it was at Sara Garcia Uriburu's). He is Ian Strange, an outstanding portrait and landscape photographer. But what

struck we most are his beautiful, unique, painted drawings of local fauna and flora. I don't call them paintings, even though they are very skillfully painted, its the support of colour. The works would still look great in black and white.

The purpose is to instruct the viewer on the animals' or the plants' appearance, like Audubon, to name but one naturalist. Strange has also designed stamps with these subjects. But the results go beyond the merely instructive. This artist's deep love and commitment are evidence in the delicacy and expressiveness of his works. There's an inner vibration, a feeling and poetry that other illustrators fail to transmit.

LA PRENSA 6/12/97

Without a passport

"The recent visit of relatives to visit the graves of their loved ones, who died defending our Islands, has once again brought to the light of day the British banning of Argentine passport holders into the Islands. An extortion for us to give up our legitimate claim of sovereignty and take away our dead ones from land of our country.

"In 1973, along with my wife, we had an unforgettable visit to Stanley. We flew with Lade, from Comodoro Rivadavia because following United Resolution 2065 in July 1971, no passports was required. It was a period of regular air and sea communications, during which YPF installed a fuel plant, Falkland children studied in secondary schools in Argentina and the official air service, in case of an emergency, flew sick people to Comodoro Rivadavia or the British hospital in Buenos Aires.

"During that year we toured the islands, with our back-packs and most of the time in an old cutter with a sail and engine, hired from a Falkland Island fisherman. In it we visited Annunciation Bay, Puerto Soledad; we were in the house where Vernet and his family lived; we toured the ruins of the political-military post set up by Martin Rodriguez in 1829, we had polite and nice conversations with Falkland families; we were invited to services at the Anglican Church and the Catholic Chapel of Saint Mary, we watched a play in the town hall and we spent many an afternoon consulting the rich books and the museum which John Smith was in charge of.

"Even more, we spent a nice evening in the house of our friend the broadcaster Patrick Watts. They were amazing days full of happiness. At last we had made our dream come true of getting to know our Falkland Islanders had been described by Juan Carlos Moreno following his visit in 1937. A milder climate and less benign than that the residents of Patagonia and Terra del Fuego have put up with in Rio Grande or Rio Gallegos. An extraordinary beautiful scenery.

"Looking beyond the war with Argentina, which Argentina did not really want, but had to suffer because of the worst political and diplomatic conditions and with absolute military inequality, Foreign Minister Guido di Tella, instead of travelling to the Falklands with a foreign passport, should turn up in Stanley, with no passport, and let the British government assume

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responsibility for the treatment he receives."

Enrique S. Inda
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La Matanza, Buenos Aires
DAILY MAIL 6/12/97

Islanders win right to work in Britain

The tiny island of St. Helena has come a step closer to winning British citizenship for its inhabitants. Ministers have agreed a special scheme for 35 people from the remote South Atlantic dependency to work in Britain.

The quota will permit 80 St Helenians and five inhabitants of its sister island, Tristan da Cunha, to be employed in Britain for three years.

It will be a significant boost for the 5,500 strong community which has no bank and suffers 18 per cent unemployment.

The move came after a declaration from St Helena arrived in Westminster to press for their rights to live and work in the UK to be restored.

Last week *The Mail on Sunday* reported how Ministers were keen to recognise St Helena's 'special case' for citizenship under a review of Britain's 14 dependent territories.

The Foreign Office will announce the results early next year when a private Bill to restore citizenship to St Helena will go before the Commons.

St Helenian civic leader John Newman said: "It is a small number, but it is a step in the right direction."

LA NACION 7/12/97

Dominguez begins his visit to the United Kingdom

The Defence Minister Jorge Dominguez, will tomorrow (Monday) be the first official in the area to visit Great Britain following the Falklands war.

His arrival in London will not only have a high protocol content, also, the Argentine official will deal with the need to insist (as the Executive Branch has done during the last few years) upon the lifting of the arms embargo which the English government imposed against our country following the war-like confrontation in 1982.

During his only day of work activities Jorge Dominguez will meet with British Defence Minister



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**BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR FRIDAY
5TH DECEMBER 1997**

WINNIE MANDELA HEARING

Once again, the more serious papers are drawn to the Truth Commission in South Africa, where Winnie Madikizela-Mandela denied any involvement in the murders of some of the people she fell out with in the late 1980s. Several carry a remarkable picture of her embracing the mother of 14-year-old Stompie Moeketsi Seipei, the boy allegedly tortured at Mrs Mandela's house and then finished off with a pair of garden shears by her former bodyguard. The pictures' the same, but there are two schools of thought about what it meant. *The Independent* says the hearing was stuffed with grotesque moments, but none worse than that embrace. It says the Commission's chairman, Archbishop Desmond Tutu interrupted a telling cross-examination of Mrs Mandela to set up the picture, offering what it calls "sham reconciliation" in the absence of truth or even a glimmer of contrition. And the *Daily Telegraph* says Mrs Mandela clearly saw it as an opportunity to advance her "Evita-like" career. *The Guardian* sees it differently. Although the picture shows Mrs Mandela doing the embracing while a bemused-looking Mrs Seipei averts her gaze, the paper says Stompie's mother strode over to kiss her, leaving her beaming with delight. And the *Mirror* calls it "an emotional moment" that drew gasps and cheers.

PRINCE AND THE PAUPER

But there's unanimity about another picture showing how Prince Charles, visiting the offices of a magazine for the homeless, suddenly found himself face-to-face with a contemporary from his early school days. *The Daily Telegraph* says the Prince was visibly astonished when self-confessed alcoholic Clive Harold, who was once a best-selling author, confessed that they were at school together in the 1950s. *The Sun's* associate editor chimes in with some reminiscences of Mr Harold when he was a journalist. She says in those days he always had a good-looking woman on his arm and a glass in his hand. She says when the work and the women deserted him, the glass stayed; and she bets that she is not the only one of his old colleagues who looks at him now and muses: "There but for the grace of God..."

**BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR MONDAY
8TH DECEMBER 1997**

KYOTO WORLD CLIMATE CONFERENCE

The main headline on the front page of *The Independent* says "Three Days to Save the World: Global

Warming Summit on Brink of Failure". A photograph shows a polluted sky over Mount Fuji, which overlooks the conference venue, Kyoto. The paper writes that the fudged agreement emerging from Kyoto will do next to nothing to solve potentially disastrous climate changes. *The Independent* report suggests that if the rich nations agreed to cut their emissions by only a few per cent, it would signal to developing countries that those who produce most of the pollution do not take the problem seriously.

DANGER OF SCOTTISH NUCLEAR DUMP

The Guardian reports on the dangers of a nuclear dump in the north of Scotland. More than 1,000 tonnes of nuclear waste were deposited in a shaft near cliffs at Dounreay Nuclear Power Station between 1959 and 1977. But now the cliffs are eroding, and there is a danger that the shaft could collapse into the sea, contaminating the sea and fish stocks. *The Guardian* says the Government will need 500 million pounds to clean up the area and prevent an ecological disaster.

CONCERN OVER NEW 'FLU' STRAIN

The main front page story in *The Express* reports that British scientists are analysing a new virulent strain of flu so that a vaccine against it can be developed. The new strain is believed to have killed two people and infected two others in Hong Kong. But *The Express* reports concern is mounting that it could escalate into the worst epidemic for 30 years.

WORLD TRADE ORGANISATION DISMISSES COMPLAINTS AGAINST JAPAN

An editorial in the *Financial Times* looks at the World Trade Organisation decision to dismiss complaints by the United States and the European Union that Japan discriminated against photographic film imports. The paper commends the WTO's impartiality and says the United States has nothing to gain by calling into question the system under which, until now, it has won every case.

The lead story in *The Times* suggests the British Government is considering taxing or means-testing child benefits and other welfare payments as part of a reform for the welfare state. The paper says housing benefit paid to the unemployed and low earners would also be affected in proposals aimed at limiting the role of the welfare state to that of a safety net for the poorest. In an editorial, the paper agrees, saying as long as Ministers are careful to protect the poor from penalty, they should feel free to take an axe to middle class benefits.

The Independent focuses on another of the Government's proposed cuts - to benefits for lone parents. The paper writes that a possible rebellion by some Labour Members of Parliament over the cuts is worrying the Prime Minister, Tony Blair. According to *The Independent*, some senior Labour officials have been putting pressure on the rebels - warning them not to go against the Government. A report in the *Daily Mail* says the backbench rebellion will put Mr Blair's personal authority to the test.

**BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR TUESDAY
9TH DECEMBER 1997**

BLAIR BACKS ACCUSED MINISTER

These are difficult days for the Prime Minister, Tony Blair, and his Government, and most of the papers focus on his attempt to come to the rescue of one of his junior finance ministers, Geoffrey Robinson. *The Daily Mail* and *The Daily Telegraph* both say Mr Blair has staked his authority on the survival of Mr Robinson, a millionaire businessman, who has been accused by some newspapers of holding money in offshore tax havens. He has consistently denied any wrongdoing, and, as *The Times* and others report, is threatening legal action against newspapers which repeat the allegations. *The Financial Times* reports that Mr Blair has not only gone on television to say Mr Robinson is an extremely good minister, but has also re-stated his determination to employ more businessmen in the Government.

WELFARE BENEFITS VOTE

The Independent focuses on another big problem facing Mr Blair - the threat of a rebellion by some of his own Members of Parliament in a Wednesday evening vote to reduce welfare benefits for single mothers. The paper says ministers and Government business managers are going round MPs, alternately threatening and cajoling them to stay in line.

DJ BUYS OWN RADIO STATION

For many of the mass circulation papers, the main news is that a radio presenter has succeeded in buying his own nationwide radio station. Chris Evans - who hosts a breakfast show on radio and a television show on Friday evenings - has put together an 83 million pound deal to buy Virgin Radio. *The Mirror* is one of several papers to point out that if a rival group had bought the station, Evans would probably have lost his job.

FOREIGN STORIES

Few foreign stories find a place on the front pages. Among them, the *Financial Times* says merger of two Swiss banks to form the Union Bank of Switzerland will produce an institution managing funds approaching 1,000 billion dollars; and *The Independent* says there are hopes of a breakthrough in talks on the conference in Japan on climate change.

**BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR
WEDNESDAY 10 DECEMBER 1997**

KYOTO WORLD CLIMATE CONFERENCE

By and large, the press has been depicting the climate conference in the Japanese city of Kyoto as a showdown between Europe and the United States over how to reduce greenhouse gases. *The Times* reports that there is considerable anger at a US plan to set limits but to allow a trade in quotas. One environmental group called it a fiddle which would allow America to buy up quotas from Russia, where carbon dioxide emissions have fallen by nearly 30 per cent since the demise of the

Soviet Union and its notoriously dirty heavy industry. The paper quotes the former British Environment Minister, John Gummer, as saying that America was treating the summit as a trade negotiation over the price of beans instead of a last-ditch discussion to protect the planet. Mr Gummer is quoted by *The Guardian* as saying that the richest nation in the world was playing games with the lives of the poor.

BRANSON'S BALLOON BLOWS AWAY

There are pictures aplenty of the tycoon Richard Branson's helium balloon as it ripped free from its moorings in Morocco and soared skywards without the gondola in which he was to have made a fresh attempt to circumnavigate the globe. *The Independent* asks "Who let go of the string?" *The Daily Telegraph* reports that Mr Branson was in the process of signing his will when he was told. He says he thought it was a joke at first, but then looked out of the window and watched it float away. *The Times* recalls that the last time Mr Branson tried his balloon circumnavigation, he pleaded with the Algerian authorities not to fire at it - now he says he is in the bizarre position of trying to persuade them if necessary to shoot it down, so that it doesn't become a hazard to aircraft.

**BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR
THURSDAY 11 DECEMBER 1997**

KYOTO WORLD CLIMATE CONFERENCE

There is a mixed reception for the efforts of sleepless delegates at the climate conference in Kyoto to curb greenhouse gases. *The Daily Telegraph* says the Kyoto protocol promises for the first time to make it cheaper to save energy than to use it. But *The Guardian* says delegates were struggling frantically to salvage an already much-diluted agreement. It highlights the warning by the summit chairman that three years of painstaking negotiations were being squandered. *The Times* wonders if dismay at the outcome is really justified. Columnist Wilfred Beckerman argues that there is good reason to believe that, on balance, for the world as a whole, the effects of climate change would be beneficial. He says growing seasons would be extended in vast areas, crop yields would rise, and greater cloud cover would lead to increased soil moisture, asking "what's so bad about all that?"

NORTHERN IRELAND PEACE PROCESS

In an exclusive interview in *The Sun*, the Prime Minister Tony Blair previews his historic meeting today with the President of Sinn Fein, Gerry Adams. In it he warns Sinn Fein that if its armed wing, the IRA, returns to violence there will be no place for Mr Adams at the negotiating table. But he says no government can start a peace process believing that it is doomed to failure. The Northern Ireland Secretary Mo Mowlam tells *The Times* that she will look a fool if the IRA does renege on its commitment to peace, but says the alternative is inevitable failure. *The Express* devotes two pages to the pros and cons. One of its columnists argues that Mr Adams has walked across from Belfast on a causeway of corpses. He says appeasement brings the benefit of short-term peace, but warns that it will be a day of infamy, and urges those who value democracy to mourn. Among the victims of IRA violence he mentions is 12 year old Tim Parry. The boy's father, writing in *The Sun*, says he and some 3,000 other families have lost loved ones through the absence of a lasting settlement. Without all-inclusive talks, he concludes, there never will be one.

News from South America

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LEGISLATIVE ELECTIONS IN CHILE

In a by-election with not many surprises, besides the lack of interest of the younger voters, the Chilean ruling coalition managed to retain its working majority in Deputies but failed to win the additional Senators necessary to break the dominance of the conservative and for life nominees, who control the upper House.

The total 120 seats in Deputies and 20 out of 38 "eligible" seats in the Senate were at stake in Thursday's voting.

But if the December elections did not stir the electorate's desire to participate in the campaign and did not attract massive attendance to the polls, next March when the swearing ceremony takes place promises to be quite an event. Together with the newly elected members, a well known figure of recent Chilean history will be taking his seat as Senator for life: General Augusto Pinochet.

Pinochet, the Army commander who deposed President Allende in 1973 in a bloody coup and ruled with an iron fist until 1990, will then become one of nine Senators for life enshrined in the 1980 Chilean Constitution drafted by the military in exchange for a return to democracy.

A controversial figure, Pinochet knows of no middle ground, venerated by followers and loathed by enemies, he still manages to stir and split Chilean public opinion almost evenly.

THREE SKYDIVERS DIE IN SOUTH POLE

Two Americans and an Austrian who were participating in the first skydiving operation over the South Pole plunged to their deaths when their parachutes failed to open.

The three belonged to a party of six skydivers that was participating in the first private event of its kind organised by Adventure Network International, a private company that has been flying tourists to the South Pole since 1988.

The six jumped from a Twin Otter at 2,820 metres of altitude near the Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station, and it was not clear why two of the parachutes didn't open and the third not fully. The company reported that the six skydivers were experienced in cold weather jumping, (including in the North Pole), and they brought their own parachutes that they packed themselves. Their three companions, two

Norwegians and an American, landed without incident.

TRANS PATAGONIA EXPRESS

Argentina is planning to build a train system that will start in San Antonio del Oeste, province of Rio Negro, and roll all across Patagonia to Rio Gallegos in Santa Cruz.

The project that was announced by President Menem during a meeting with governors from the south of Argentina is intended to connect, with a fast and reliable freight transportation system, all Patagonian ports.

The Trans Patagonia express will be linking, San Antonio del Oeste, Sierra Grande, Puerto Madryn, Trelew, Rawson, Camerones, Caleta Cordoba, Comodoro Rivadavia, Caleta Oliva, Puerto Deseado, San Julian and finally Rio Gallegos.

The first 500 miles of the project from San Antonio del Oeste to Comodoro Rivadavia, will demand an investment of 400 million US dollars.

Next January Prime Minister Jean Chretien and a delegation of 700 businessmen will be visiting Argentina, along with two companies interested in the project.

PROMOTION OF PATAGONIA

Chilean and Argentine officials and representatives from the private sector participated in Punta Arenas in the second meeting of the committee to promote the development of Patagonia.

"Leaving aside politics, we must consider Patagonia as only one area and work together towards the creation of a more dynamic and business environment," said Ricardo Salles, Mayor of Punta Arenas.

This is the second meeting of the Group that convened for the first time last May in Comodoro Rivadavia.

During the two days eighty representatives from both countries discussed road infrastructure, customs, migration, transport and tourism.

YPF INVESTS HEAVILY IN BOLIVIA

The Argentine oil company YPF and its American subsidiary Maxus will be investing 1,185 million dollars in the exploration and exploitation of hydrocarbons in Bolivia during the next four years.

Robert Monti, CEO of YPF said that Andina, the company created in 1996 from the former Bolivian

government oil monopoly and where YPF has a majority share will invest 730 million US dollars and Maxus the other 445 million US dollars.

"The decision to triple investments was taken because of the extraordinary results of our first year of operations with Andina and the great hydrocarbons potential of Bolivia," underlined Mr Monti.

BRAZILIAN CARRIER IN MONTEVIDEO

A Brazilian aircraft carrier and the destroyer "Paraiba" arrived in Montevideo after several weeks of naval exercises in the South Atlantic with the Argentine Navy.

The 20,000 tons carrier, the only one left in Latin America, is regularly involved in combined landing and taking off exercises with fighter bombers from the Argentine Navy, who no longer have a similar vessel since the "25 de Mayo" was scrapped.

The Brazilian carrier and its destroyer escort are equipped with SH3 Sea King and Lynx helicopters and specialise in anti submarine warfare.

LULA TRIES AGAIN

The president of Brazil's Workers' Party, Luiz Inacio "Lula" da Silva, announced he will be running once again for the 1998 Brazilian presidential elections.

Lula, a charismatic leader and former union leader in the auto industry, who became famous for his pacific but fierce opposition of the military regime, lost to Collor de Melo in 1990 and to Henrique Cardoso in 1994.

Lula is a prototype of Brazilian recent history: his family emigrated from the impoverished northeast of Brazil and settled in the industrial hub of Sao Paulo where he grew up and after a few years of schooling began working in factories.

President Henrique Cardoso, who managed to have the Constitution reformed and wants to be re-elected is the favourite candidate for November 1998, at the moment. Cardoso defeated Lula in 1994 with a successful economic programme he implemented as Finance Minister, but the Asian crisis has generated many doubts about the soundness of the current policies. Unbeatable just a few weeks ago, Cardoso was forced last month to double interest rates, increase import tariffs and cut spending by 20 billion dollars.

DECISIVE PRESIDENTIAL SUMMIT IN MONTEVIDEO

Mercosur and its associate members will be holding in Montevideo beginning December 15th, the last presidential summit of 1997 with an agenda of decisive issues for the expansion of the block.

Chaired by President Julio Sanguinetti of Uruguay, who holds the "pro tempore" secretary of Mercosur, presidents from Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Chile and Bolivia will discuss the integration of new members, along with Mexico and the Andean Community.

Consequences for the FTAA (Free Trade Area of the Americas)/Mercosur dialogue following the Clinton administration failure to obtain the "fast track" relations with other trade blocks, mainly the European Union; the Far East financial crisis and the recent decision by Argentina and Brazil to raise their common external tariff an extra three points to a maximum of 23.

Negotiations with Mexico and the Andean Community are quite advanced and the presidential summit is expected to make a political statement ratifying the decision to expand Mercosur in spite of the world financial turmoil.

A controversial issue will be the increase in foreign tariffs decided by the two main members of Mercosur following the international speculators run on the Brazilian currency. Uruguay and Paraguay have six months to decide whether to apply it or not.

In the closing ceremony Argentina will take over from Uruguay the "pro tempore" secretary of Mercosur for the next six months.

RECORD FOREIGN TRADE

Mercosur's foreign trade during 1996 reached a record 144 billion US dollars, an increase of 102% over 1990 when the block was first started. In the same period Mercosur trade with third countries increased 89% which helps to understand the growing importance of intra regional trade since Mercosur was officially started in 1991.

The European Union is the main trade partner of Mercosur, followed by the United States. Europeans absorb 31% of Mercosur exports, the US 20%. As far as sales to Mercosur, Europe represents 33% and the US, 29%.

South American Wool Market Report

Uruguay: Business activity is practically nil, with only a few corriedale farm lots sold, and only nominal price ideas given for finer qualities.

Argentina: The devalued Australian dollar is affecting competitiveness of Argentine wool exporters, as the Argentine peso is tied par to the US. Despite the business slow-down, well-prepared clips keep being sold, generally important quantities sold by tender. Ganadera Esquel sold this way their Chubut/Cordillera pre-lambing shorn clips, as follows: "Shaman/La Hermosa" 59T, 19.7 Mic 63.76% dry, sold at US/KG 3.62 Greasy all-in farm-gate - buyer Standard Wool "Mimosita" 18T, 20.2 mic 67.85 dry sold at US/KG 3.70 to ADF "Sunica" 13T, 20.2 Mic 66.51 dry sold at US/KG 3.53 to ADF "Rio Frio" 17T 22.9 Mic 70.03% dry sold at US/KG 2.70 to ADF Punta Arenas. In this area, where the main buyer by far is standard wool for their local combing mill, about 45/50% of the 8.5M KG greasy clip have already changed hands. Many sales concluded on the sheepback with advances of 40%. Last Thursday 04/12 a very important group of farms "El Ovejero" and "Tres Chorrillos" with a total of 178.755 KG Nett greasy all-in super white wools average 26.8 mic 71.21 % dry, were sold by tender wool Chile at US/KG 2.19 greasy all-in delivered Punta Arenas combing mill. This is equivalent of US/KG 3.10 all-in F.O.B. clean dry basis. This group of wools showed a micron range between 20.4 mic for merino ewe-hoggets up to 29.7 micron corriedale ewes, yield range varied from 63.9% dry for corriedale ram hoggets up to 74.1% dry for the same 29.7 micron ewes. Content varied between 0.1% for merino ewe-hoggets and 1.1% for corriedale ram-hoggets. Bellies were 6.35% of the total, and other oddments represented 13.58% of the total all-in. These wools are packed in bales made from pre-film bags 200 microns thick, non-contaminant and manufactured in Argentina, the same promoted by "Prolana" the other side of the Andes.

George Robertson, and will be received in the House of Commons by Tom Cox, who is in charge of the commission which deals with matters related to the relationship with Argentina. With both, the minister will discuss the need to lift the arms embargo which is still in place.

Great Britain has maintained this measure with our country and has impeded in the last years the purchase from English factories of the spare parts which the Argentine armed forces need to repair numerous pieces of equipment from England.

Meanwhile, on a political level, the maintaining of the embargo is because of British mistrust concerning possible future actions on the part of Argentina to recover the Falkland Islands.

Sovereignty claim

Any reference to the sovereignty claim over the South Atlantic Islands "will be out of the agenda," defence ministry sources told *La Nacion*.

The Falkland Islands are still an issue of strict handling by Foreign Minister Guido di Tella and will be put on the negotiating table again when President Carlos Menem meets British Prime Minister Tony Blair, next year.

Because of that Dominguez will concentrate his strategy on returning from London, with a sign on the part of Blair's government that the arms embargo will soon be lifted

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Greater understanding concerning co-operation

Argentina and Great Britain ratified their understanding concerning co-operation in oil activities in the south-west Atlantic which were agreed upon in the joint declaration of New York in 1995.

The fourth meeting of the joint commission of hydrocarbons which took place the day before yesterday (Friday), in London, both delegations agreed to respect the first point of the declaration, which lays down that the sign must not be interpreted as a change of sovereignty or territorial jurisdiction over the Falkland Islands, South Georgia, Sandwich Isles and the corresponding waters around them.

The group supported the co-ordinated elaboration of a tender in the special co-operation area. They confirmed their commitment to agree upon the specifications of conditions and to shorten the period of the tender recommended greater work in matters related to the protection of sea life: the need to study projects of joint scientific investigation; promote the exchange of information and the participation of firms from both countries in the activities.

According to Argentine diplomats the maintaining of the embargo, "makes no sense," because of the current level of political and commercial understanding between Argentines and the British and because of Argentina's recent delegation as an extra-NATO ally of the United States.

Brotherly dinner

Dominguez will hold a dinner at the Argentine embassy for officials, members of the House of Commons, businessmen and representatives linked to Latin American affairs and defence.

Along with the minister will be the Ambassador in London, Roberio Pfliner, secretary of military affairs, Jorge Pereyra de Olazabal and two military officials: Lieutenant Colonel Juan Durante (the ministers assistant) and Captain Eduardo

Rodriguez (military attache in the country).

The first stage of his European trip which ended on Friday, Dominguez finished a week visiting Israel, where he visited factories although, "he expressed no interest in particular items," officials sources said.

The possibility that our country will begin negotiations to purchase Israeli aeroplanes was ruled out by spokespeople close to the minister.

They clarified that, "the visits to the factories were only to listen to offers," of the arms industry in Israel. "Dominguez didn't go to look for anything to buy," they insisted.

LA NACION 7/12/97

Great idea

"Foreign Minister Guido di Tella wants to travel to the Falklands using a passport from another country. It is a great idea.

"Maybe we should have taken the Islands dressing our soldiers in uniforms of armed forces from other countries and hoisted the flag, say the Swiss flag for example. If we had done so London would be angry with the Swiss and our foreign minister could travel to visit the Kelpers, without having to disguise himself as a foreigner.

"Shame it wasn't thought of at the time..."

Aldo Cammarota
Capital

LONDON 7/12/97

Britain yesterday rejected a renewed call by Argentina to lift an arms embargo in place since the two countries fought a brief but bloody war over the disputed Falkland Islands in 1982.

Bilateral relations have thawed in recent years, and President Carlos Menem is due to set the seal on the improvement in ties by visiting London next year.

But Defence Minister Jorge Dominguez, on a visit to London, said he had failed to persuade British Defence Secretary George Robertson to lift the embargo yet.

"We want to delete any restriction in the area of defence, but no position was adopted," Dominguez said.

He said it was still very much Argentina's aim to get the embargo lifted as soon as possible.

The success of Argentina's defence strategy does not depend on Britain's lifting the embargo as Buenos Aires can buy all the military equipment it needs from other governments or can manufacture it itself, Dominguez said.

"We see it as a political fact. The elimination of the embargo would reflect very clear political progress (between Britain and Argentina)," he said.

YORKSHIRE POST 8/12/97

UK and Argentina in first defence talks

The first meeting between defence ministers from Britain and Argentina since the Falklands War will take place in London today.

Defence Secretary George Robertson, will welcome his Argentine opposite number Jorge Dominguez as part of the build-up of defence relations between the two countries since the conflict 15 years ago.

It will be seen as an important step in healing the wounds of the 74-day conflict in 1982 in which 255 British servicemen were killed, 780 were injured, and many more suffered long-term psychological effects. On the Argentine side, 329 sailors died in the South Atlantic on just one day when the *General Belgrano* was sunk by a Royal Navy submarine on May 2,

1982.

Mr. Robertson said: "I look forward to welcoming Mr Dominguez to the Ministry of Defence to review the marked improvement in our defence relations.

"Our forces have worked together with the peacekeeping force in Cyprus and recently *HMS Endurance* paid a successful visit to Buenos Aires.

"These practical contacts represent a highly successful example of defence diplomacy at work."

The Ministry would not disclose the substantive nature of the talks and could not say whether sovereignty of the islands would come under discussion. But a spokesman stressed the significance of the meeting, the first of its kind on either British or Argentine soil.

Members of the Royal Family have in recent years made contact with Argentina.

In 1995, the late Diana, Princess of Wales, visited a cancer clinic in Buenos Aires. But tensions spilled over when a mother of a veteran who died on the *Belgrano* verbally abused the Princess from the crowd.

Britons also expressed misgivings when Prince Andrew greeted the captain of an Argentine training ship at the Dartmouth Royal Regatta in 1994.

AMBITO FINANCIERO 10/12/97

London continues without deciding upon sovereignty claims

The sovereignty conflict Argentine maintains with Great Britain over the Falkland Islands once again sees the light of day following Spain's claim over Gibraltar. On the British side, the attitude is similar. In both cases they refer to the inhabitants to decide the outcome of the conflict.

The British government's determination to maintain sovereignty of Gibraltar, and letting it depend upon the population of the rock, is the same as the position maintained concerning the Falkland Islands. It is a way of putting the matter on hold, whilst keeping the economic pressure groups happy and avoiding an official British definition. So it derives to a decision of the Islands "kelpers" who oppose negotiations with Argentina. About 2,000 inhabitants are those who decide, according to London.

"The British government's declarations concerning the sovereignty of Gibraltar is extremely clear and robust," said the spokeswoman of the government of the Falkland Islands in London, Suky Cameron, without batting an eyelid. She added that, "the government has repeated that the sovereignty (of the Falklands) is not negotiable."

Difference

The recent official visit of Defence Minister Jorge Dominguez, who last Monday met his British colleague George Robertson, and the announcement of President Carlos Menem's official invitation from Tony Blair's government to visit London next year, has not changed the Foreign Office's position. The difference between Gibraltar and the Falklands is that the inhabitants of Gibraltar wish to maintain their British nationality but have economic and judicial autonomy, which among others the Isle of Man has, becoming a key European "off-shore" centre.

Meanwhile there are the "Kelpers" of the Falklands, 14,000 kilometres across the sea from London and who because of defence reasons, prefer to strengthen their umbilical cord with Great Britain whilst they await the economic outcome of two prime materials, fishing and oil. Meanwhile the metropolis continues promoting negotiations between Buenos Aires and London.

Argentina achieved a favourable definition from the United Nations Decolonization Committee, where a resolution was voted for, which questions the persistent "colonial situation" in the

Falkland Islands.

At the time Foreign Minister, Guido di Tella recalled that resolution 2066 of 1965 "was approved by the vast majority, and it should be remembered, without the vote against the United Kingdom, which clearly lays down that there is a sovereignty dispute between Argentina and the United Kingdom." Resolution 3160 of the same assembly says that "to resolve the colonial situation, previously the sovereignty dispute must be resolved

THE GUARDIAN 10/12/97

Spain changes tack, offering to share rule over Gibraltar

Spain will today suggest sharing sovereignty over Gibraltar with Britain in a diplomatic offensive likely to be rebuffed by the Foreign Secretary, Robin Cook.

The proposal, which commentators in Madrid presented as a softening of Spain's absolute claim on the Rock, will be put to Mr Cook in London by the Spanish foreign minister, Abel Matutes.

He is also expected to offer economic inducements and social security benefits for Gibraltar's 30,000 inhabitants.

The Foreign Office said yesterday that the British Government would stand firmly by the colony's 1969 constitution - the people of Gibraltar must consent to any change in its status.

A spokesman for the Gibraltar government said it regretted not being party to the talks.

Gibraltar's chief minister, Peter Caruana, wants the colony to be made a Crown Dependency, like the Channel Islands. But, under the 1713 Treaty of Utrecht, Spain has "first refusal" if Britain agrees to change its status.

The Spanish foreign ministry declined to comment yesterday on whether it would relax restrictions on air and sea access to the Rock.

WOOL MARKET REPORT 5 DECEMBER 1997 from Falkland Islands Wool Marketing

Australia. Sales held in Newcastle/Adelaide. At the close 21 to 24 micron fleece closed up to 1% cheaper with 25 micron unchanged and 26 micron 1% dearer.

The limited offering of crossbred wools were generally quoted unchanged.

Western Europe and Japan main buyers supported by China and local mills.

Eastern market indicator closed unchanged at 708AC

New Zealand. At Napier and Christchurch the offerings totalled 24700 bales with 31% passed in.

At the close halfbred fleece were quoted unchanged with 29 to 32 micron types 2% cheaper with 32.5 and coarser 2.5% cheaper. The overall market indicator closed down 11 cents.

General. Wool prices fell in New Zealand and although Australia closed reasonably firm the market was not assessed as strong enough to offset the need for price reductions for currency reasons. The rate for sterling against the Australian dollar at around 2.50 to the £ is at its highest for 5 years.

For some time one of the brighter features in Europe, with new orders patchy, was a good call for deliveries of earlier orders. Recently this seems to have slackened, with processed stocks accumulating in warehouses waiting for instructions.

Christmas could be playing a part, but with talk of developing difficulties for exporters, the outlook, short term, is not seen as cheerful.

Prices quoted generally are lower again this week, with currency. The main reason but static or easier wool markets contributing.

Public Launch of Horizon – the Cable & Wireless' Internet Service

Cable & Wireless is pleased to announce that the Internet Service will be launched on 15th December 1997.

We will be connecting those customers who have applied, as quickly as possible, but it may take us a few days to process all of the orders.

To coincide with the launch, Cable & Wireless is offering a number of special concessions, to enable customers to familiarise themselves with the Internet.

- All Customers, who apply before 15th December 1997, will receive a credit worth one hour of usage to their account.
- Customers will not be billed for the monthly Access Charge until 1st February 1998, providing the equivalent of an additional 2½ hours of free usage.
- The registration fee of £20.00 will not be billed until February 1998.

Prices for additional services have also now been developed.

- For private customers, with a single account, additional E-mail addresses for family members will be provided for an annual charge of £5.00 per E-mail address.
- For business customers requiring additional E-mail addresses, under a single account, the cost per E-mail address will be £2.00 per month.

We would like to thank those customers who applied in advance of the launch, and to all those who attended the preview at the Parish Hall.

We hope that local access to the Internet will provide Government, the business community and the general public of the Falkland Islands with new opportunities to gain from the Information Age.

Some Points to Note

- Passwords are for your protection. You must not give your passwords to others. If you think others may know your passwords, contact Cable & Wireless immediately.
- The Internet can be accessed from any telephone line. Do not permit anyone to use your telephone line, unless you have reached an agreement with them regarding payment of connection charges.
- Try to spread your access to the network over the day. Remember the Internet is available 24 hours per day. If everyone tries to access the network at the same time, congestion may occur.
- At times, the responses from sites may be slow. This is often due to the volume of enquiries to that site. This is particularly so during the U.S. business day, as many of the sites are located within the USA.

Pro Argentine and pro Falklands claim peers

continued from front page

He says he has been invited to join the front bench but has always declined, preferring to remain a 'tradition backbencher'.

"My interests are less as a party politician and more of an internationalist," he said.

Defining her role as a member of the South Atlantic Council, Baroness Hooper said, "The SAC is regarded as a back-bench activity, not a government thing - there's a very strict differentiation."

A theme expanded upon by Lord Montgomery: "The SAC," he said, "was actually set up to counter the Falkland Islands Association, a powerful organisation with a massive budget." He contended that the South Atlantic Council had a 'more balanced approach to the problems.'

He denied, though, that it was in opposition to the FIA. "The FIA puts out an enormous amount of information that isn't always en-

tirely accurate," he said. "It is important to have a counter-balance because every situation has two points of view."

Lord Montgomery refuted the suggestion that he once said in a speech that Falkland Islanders should not have the right to determine their own future. "Self-determination is an important factor," he said. "That is how the independence of all British Colonial Territories came into existence. I believe entirely in self-determination - that is what has happened in Argentina."

Asked again if he believed Falkland Islanders should have the right of self-determination he replied, "We should differentiate carefully between two different things. They have limited self-government, but this is a dependent territory, and dependent territories have obligations as well as enjoying all the privileges of being a British dependent territory. There may be greater interests in the United Kingdom."

He agreed that the Falkland Islands situation was not inhibiting the build up of commercial links between Britain and Argentina, then added, "but it might."

Baroness Hooper expressed her opinion that it made little differ-

ence to the Argentines and felt that it would be, "much more convenient for the Falkland Islands to have good relations with their nearest neighbour."

"The worry seems to be," she went on, "that it is thought that people are trying to give you to Argentina in some way. And that is so far from being the case that I find it hard to believe."

On the subject of commercial relations with Argentina Lord Montgomery felt that because of the Islands' dependence on, and the fragility of, fishing stocks, the Falklands should be, "working harder at obtaining agreements. Your councillors should be going over there, you should be inviting their politicians here. You need to accelerate the amount of dialogue - not reduce it."

He said the same was true of the sovereignty issue. "Councillors have to go there (to Argentina) and discuss sovereignty. Islanders," he said, "who have been there have suddenly found they have been presented with a platform from which to present their views to a wide audience."

Both Baroness Hooper and Lord Montgomery said in their opinion the Argentine sovereignty claim was, "purely historical."

Falkland Penguins during an El Niño year?

by Mike Bingham: Environmental Research Unit Report

AS Mike Harris noted a couple of weeks ago, the 1982/83 El Niño had little noticeable impact on the Falkland Islands, and there is little evidence so far to suggest that the 1997/98 El Niño will be any different.

This year's fieldwork by the Environmental Research Unit has shown population increases amongst the Falkland penguins, with Jackass and Rockhoppers up an average of 12%, and Gentoos up by around 10%.

For the last two seasons, the Environmental Research Unit has also monitored penguin colonies in Chile, in order to compare population trends of Magellanic and Rockhopper Penguins on both sides of the water. I have recently returned from my second such census in Chile this season, during which I censused Isla Magdalena in the straits of Magellan. This island which has an area of less than one square kilometre, currently holds a population of around 41,000 pairs of Magellanic Penguin, an increase of around 15% since last year.

By contrast however, Humboldt and Magellanic penguins on the Pacific coast of Chile and Peru, have been hit hard by severe weather. Breeding was abandoned at Algarrobo in Chile when most of the burrows were washed out by heavy rains and severe ocean swells. Similarly, about 80% of the Humboldt penguin burrows were destroyed by flooding at Punta San Juan in Peru, during the first rains



Hatched area indicates breeding range of Magellanic penguins

since 1990. These freak weather conditions are being attributed to El Niño.

The differing fortunes of the Atlantic and Pacific coasts are not surprising when one considers that El Niño originates in the Pacific. Changes to the oceanic ecosystems upon which penguins rely, are therefore likely to be the strongest along the Pacific coast of South America rather than the Atlantic. Nevertheless, disruptive weather patterns are still able to cross over the continent, making heavy rains along the Atlantic coast a possibility (but not a certainty).

One final point to bear in mind is that the number of penguins breeding in the Falklands now, is a reflection of conditions during last year rather than the coming year. El Niño usually peaks around Christmas time, and it will be the number of chicks we see at the end of January that will ultimately tell us how much effect El Niño has had upon the Falklands. Hopefully we can all look forward to that hosepipe ban next March.

Pressure on Gibraltar.. continued from front page

In a story from Graham Bound for Merco Press, however, the Spanish Ambassador to London, interviewed live on BBC Radio yesterday, (Dec 11) and asked to confirm that Spain will no longer blockade Gibraltar or use any other methods,

verging on aggression, to pressure the Gibraltarians, to the obvious shock of the interviewer, said Spain could not give any such assurance. The Gibraltarians, suggests the reporter, will almost certainly interpret this as a threat.

The soccer scene from Patrick Watts

Globe 5 Victory/PWD 1

THE newly formed Globe Tavern team have gone to the top of the Stanley Services league following their 5-1 win over their nearest challengers Victory/PWD.

Welcoming back 1st teamer Martyn Clarke, following his trials in Britain, the Globe took an early lead when captain Troyd Bowles scored, but the injury hit Victory/PWD equalised when Jimmy Curtis, still carrying a knee injury, scored from the penalty spot after Colin Buckland had handled

the ball in the area.

The Globe team, which features many of Stanley's best young players, went ahead with further goals by Wayne Clement, Colin Buckland and Bowles to establish a healthy 4-1 lead. On two occasions the referee, well positioned, awarded goals after the ball had only just crossed the line.

With goalie Neil Clifton carrying an injury, Curtis took over and saved well before being beaten by the impressive Jamie Peck who ran through a mesmerized defence before slotting the ball into the net.

Redsox 2 Victory/PWD 12

Beleaguered Redsox went down heavily again losing 12-2 to the Victory/PWD. Jeremy 'Spurs' Henry hit five, while Bill Charter chalked up three. Douglas Clarke two, Jimmy Curtis and an own goal adding to the total. At the other end Migs Cofre scored both for Redsox.

The return of Alan Steen and Andrew Newman will be welcomed by Redsox, although the youngsters currently playing deserve credit for their courage and skill despite the heavy losses.

This Sunday Stanley play the Resident Rapier Squadron - Kick-off at 4.30.

A SEISMIC SURVEY will commence in the area shown below on December 7 and is expected to take approximately two weeks

1. Vessel Details: Name: *MV L'Espoir*. Int Call Sign: PFPY. LOA: 66.3 metres. Beam: 10.6 metres. Draft: 5.0 metres. GRT: 1168 tonnes. NRT: 350 tonnes. Hull colour: Navy Blue. Superstructure colour: White. The area in which this survey will be conducted is bounded by the following co-ordinates:

North West corner 49-45 south 59-28 west
North East corner 49-45 south 59-24 west
South West corner 49-48 south 59-28 west
South East corner 49-48 south 59-24 west

The vessel will be towing a single seismic streamer, the end of the cable will be marked by a raft or a buoy bearing a radar reflector and white flashing light. The vessel, while surveying, will display signals in accordance with the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea, Rule 27(b). Securite messages will be broadcast at least twice daily at 0930 local time and 2130 hrs local time on HF frequency of 4066.1KHz by the seismic survey vessel.

If fishing or steaming in the vicinity of the seismic survey vessel, a good listening watch should be kept on VHF Radio Channel 16.

The *MV L'Espoir* should be given a wide berth by all other vessels. Note Rule 18 of the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea. For further information please contact the Fisheries Liaison Officer, Stanley Services Ltd. Tel: 22622.

Stanley Leisure Centre



Public Opening Hours

Tuesday 9th December 1997 - Monday 12th January 1998

Day	Courts	Pool
Monday	11am - 2pm Public 3 - 9pm Public	12am - 1pm Lanes 2pm - 4pm Public 5pm - 7pm Public 7pm - 8pm Adults
Tuesday	10am - 11am Public 12am - 2pm Public 3pm - 9pm Public	10am - 11.30am OAP 12am - 1pm Lanes 2pm - 4pm Public 5pm - 7pm Public 7pm - 8pm Ladies
Wednesday	11am - 2pm Public 5pm - 9pm Public	12am - 1pm Lanes 2pm - 4pm Public 5pm - 7pm Public 7pm - 8pm Adults
Thursday	12am - 2pm Public 5pm - 9pm Public	3pm - 7pm Public 7pm - 8pm Adults
Friday	11am - 3pm Public 5pm - 9pm Public	12am - 1pm Lanes 5pm - 7pm Public 7pm - 8pm Adults
Saturday & Sunday	10am - 6pm Public	10am - 4pm Public 4pm - 5pm Adults

For information and court bookings telephone: 27291

Summer Holiday Activities 1997/98

Day	Time	Age Group	Location	Activity
Monday	10 - 11am	7 - 11	Gym	Sport
Monday	2 - 3pm	11 - 15	Gym	Sport
Tuesday	11 - 12am	4 - 7	Gym	Play Session
Tuesday	2 - 3pm	11 - 15	Gym	Sport
Wednesday	10 - 11am	7 - 11	Gym	Sport
Wednesday	11 - 12am	8 - 15	Pool	Children only swim
Wednesday	2 - 5pm	8 - 15	Gym	Half price courts
Thursday	10 - 12am	Under 7	Gym	Parent & Children
Thursday	2 - 3pm	11 - 15	Gym	Sport
Thursday	2 - 3pm	7 - 11	Football Pitch	Football
Thursday	3 - 4pm	7 - 11	Gym	Sport
Thursday	3 - 4pm	11 - 15	Football Pitch	Football
Friday	10 - 11am	8 - 15	Gym	Half Price Courts
Friday	10 - 11.30am	Under 7	Pool	Parents & Children
Friday	2 - 3pm	8 - 15	Pool	Children Only swim
Friday	3 - 5pm	8 - 15	Gym	Half Price Courts

Except for the Christmas period (Monday 22nd December - Sunday 4th January), the sessions will commence on Tuesday 9th December and finish on Monday 12th January.

All sessions will be charged at 50p per person, except for the half price gym courts, which will be charged according to membership status.

Flint takes Cape Pembroke Half

MARK Flint, the tiny Royal Air Force and England international runner with the huge athletic talent, indelibly stamped his authority, and his name, on this year's Cape Pembroke Half Marathon (Sunday, December 7) in a record-breaking performance that shattered Richard 'Speedy' Thomas's two year old event best by more than two minutes.

The weather was uncertain enough to cause the organisers, Stanley Running Club, a few early ripples of unease as the 85 competitors registered at the Leisure Centre prior to making their way to the start at the Totem Pole on the Airport Road for the 11am gun.

The race for the walkers had started at 9.30 the same morning with a brisk South Westerly wind at their backs and some fairly heavy showers dampening their anoraks if not their enthusiasm.

Flint dominated the race almost from the start, dragging along a leading group including Support Squadron team mates Dave Green and Clive Wintripp. More than four hundred metres separated first and last as the runners approached

to Stanley, was going away from Green and Wintripp, but all three were well clear of the rest of the field.

Veteran, David Fyfe, meanwhile, perhaps suffering still from the effects of completing the stamina sapping Commando Chal-



Ladies champion, Tracy Porter

lenge (as did Peter Biggs, Trudi Clarke and Miranda Cheek), had relinquished his leading civilian position to another veteran, Tony Burnett, who began the race slowly before making up a lot of ground in the middle and later stages.

The weather, now, had become a factor in a different way. Cloud cover had dispersed and despite the still healthy south-westerly the temperature was going up making the twin dangers of dehydration and sunburn distinct possibilities.

By the halfway point most of the leading positions in all the different classes were more or less settled, Mark Flint eventually finishing in the remarkable time of 1hr 10m 25s - more than two minutes quicker than the record set by Richard 'Speedy' Thomas two years ago, which was thought of

in some circles as unbeatable on the Cape Pembroke course.

Flint's domination of the event was underlined by the margin between his winning time and that of second placed Dave Green in 1hr 18m 22s. Clive Wintripp was never in danger of losing his third place and came in in 1hr 19m 35s. The men's veteran prize went to Tony Burnett who finished eighth overall and also set a new veterans record of 1hr 26m 6s, taking almost four minutes off his own record.

Tracy Porter confirmed her status as the Falklands outstanding female athlete taking first place in 1hr 39m 50s (missing out on a new record by seconds) from two military competitors, Lt Nicky Bell (1hr 45m 50s) and Vicky Hope-Smith (1hr 47m 23s). Megan Egging confirmed her early promise in the race, running brilliantly to defy the years and deservedly win the women's veteran prize in 1hr 56m 49s. Another performance worthy of note in the ladies race came from Fran Biggs who knocked an incredible sixteen minutes off her previous best for the event to record 2hr 4m 30s.

The senior team competition resulted in a runaway victory for the Supply Squadron from MPA; they had the first three places and were backed up by C Parkinson who finished in ninth giving them an aggregate score of just fifteen points. The under-sixteens team trophy was secured by two sets of brothers - Daniel and Kyle Biggs and William and Andrew Normand.

The race finish, on Victory Green, took on the air of a summer picnic as more runners and walkers crossed the line and relaxed in the sun, most staying on to cheer in the later finishers.

Since its inception earlier this decade, the Cape Pembroke Half Marathon has established itself as the premier athletics event in the Falkland's racing calendar. The challenges it presents to competi-



Veteran Kevin Ormond relaxes on Victory Green after the race

tors with its multi-terrain course make it one of the toughest races of its kind in the world.



Above: Surely the happiest competitor, Jane McGill beaming as she crosses the line
Below: Competitors, spectators and officials mingle on sun-drenched Victory Green



Trudi Clarke finishes in 2hr 14m 51 the Surf Bay turn-off.

Behind this leading group other runners were sorting themselves out. The strong MPA presence meant the first dozen places were occupied by military personnel in these early stages, the leading civilian being David Fyfe with Peter Biggs twenty five yards off his pace.

The women's race was already being led by Tracy Porter, who was running despite having had a poor training run-up to the event after being hit by a flu virus. Further back veteran Megan Egging had taken a surprise fourth position closely followed by Fran Biggs, Trudi Clarke, Jane McGill and Miranda Cheek.

By the time he reached the lighthouse Mark Flint had established a good lead and, as he turned for the long run into the wind back



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If interested in any of the items above please contact Ian on 21624 during weekdays after 6pm or at weekends. The sellers do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any offer

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NOTICES

"HOGWASH!" at the Trough this Saturday (13th)! Tickets from Phyl - phone 21324

MOTO CROSS THIS WEEKEND

This Sunday is the next round of the 1997/98 Moto Cross season. The races will be held again at Keith Grimmer's land at Fitzroy Ridge just off the MPA road. Practice starts at 10.00am racing at 11.00

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Opening Saturday 13th
December 10am

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The next Golden Shears World Championships will take place on 5, 6 and 7th June 1998 in Ireland. FIG have kindly agreed to pay passages for two local shearers to attend, and selection will be at the Estancia Shearing Competition on 29 December courtesy of Tony and Ailsa Heathman. Details of the championship in Ireland can be obtained from the Farmers Association office.

STANLEY NETBALL CLUB - UP-COMING EVENTS

A Disco is being held for under 15's in the FIDF Hall on the 12th December from 7pm to 9.30pm. This will be followed by a disco for over 15's from 11pm until 1am. The admittance fee for under 15's is £1.00 and over 15's £2.50 Please note that no alcohol will be allowed on the premises.

On Saturday the 13th December there will be a cake stall in the FIC West Store entrance, commencing from 9am. Why slog over a hot stove!!!

On Sunday the 14th December, the club will be holding a netball tournament commencing at 11am. Spectators are warmly welcome! Food will be available at £2.50 per person

FLYING SANTA

Flying Santa wants to visit Camp and requires donations to buy presents for camp children (ages 0 - 11). Please send donations to "Flying Santa" c/o KEMH. Contact Sue or Miranda for details 27375 or 27418

Good home wanted for tabby kitten approximately four weeks old - tel: Helen or Fraser 21632

Results of Whist Drive held on the 3rd December. Ladies 1st Mrs D Clarke 2nd Mrs E Vidal Booby Mrs I Finlayson
Gents: 1st D Pettersson, 2nd C Clifton, Booby T Pettersson
Wednesday 17th Dec, will be the last Drive before Christmas. Whist will recommence on the 7th Jan

PERSONAL



Julie

You were so cute, what happened? Happy 21st Birthday Dear, for today 12th December - love you loads. Mum Dad & Marie, Jonathon & Bronwen, Nichola, John & Dominic

Brother Jock and family and daughter Joan and family of Southampton, UK, also Billy in Stanley, would like to thank everyone who sent floral tributes and messages of sympathy regarding the late George Thompson. Please accept this as our personal thank you

NOTICES

Cable & Wireless will be starting a trial of new opening hours for the Public Counter at the Ross Road Offices.

From 2nd January 1998 the Public Counter will be open at the following times:-

08.00 - 12.00 and 13.15 - 16.30
Monday to Thursday
08.00 - 12.00 and 13.15 - 16.15
Friday

The Public Counter will be closed as usual at Weekends and on Public Holidays. Phonecards will still be available out of Public Counter Hours until 10pm daily, as at present. Cable & Wireless would be pleased to receive any comments from customers on the new hours in due course.

Pre-Xmas Auction Bridge on 10th Dec. Prize Winners: 1st Mrs J Middleton & D Pettersson 2nd Mrs V Malcolm & T Pettersson Booby Mrs J Bound & Mrs C Blackley.

Drives will recommence on 14 Jan

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Gas cooker. Contact Paul Brickle on 22277 or Lucy Ellis on 27355

EVIE & JIM ELLIOT are looking for a furnished house/flat to rent for about 6 weeks from 28 Dec 97. Please contact Anya on 21857

Postscript - From the Baha'is

At times we may well forget how very different is the age we live in from any previous period in the 2-3 million-year history of mankind.

Just learning to use fire, shape stone, and grow crops took hundreds of thousands - even millions - of years. Progress speeded up somewhat in the last 6000 years, but by the 1840's man's speed of travel had still not exceeded that of a fast horse.

Then something totally new happened. Inventions suddenly piled on one another, speeding travel and communications, among other things. Today, barely 150 years later, we jet about the world, rocket to the moon, Internet between all continents. In almost the blink of an eye we have become physically, geographically united.

Why this sudden change?

Baha'is can suggest an answer.

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News in brief

Argentine Minister sends literature for Christmas

PERSISTENT Argentine Foreign Minister, Guido di Tella, adopted an informative theme in his choice of Christmas gifts to Falkland Islanders this year, by sending an assortment of literature on the subject of Argentina to most residents.

He books include stories about life in the region by W. Hudson, Paul Theroux, Bruce Chatwin and Gerald Durrell.

In a letter accompanying each book, the Minister included the emotive (and what may be viewed as controversial) comment, "It hurts me to see how much you still distrust us. But some time in the future I'm sure we will be able to overcome these shortcomings."

In general, however, Islanders appeared indifferent to the mass arrival of the parcels, although a few are reported to have immediately discarded them on receipt.

Cheap swimming for youths

AT the Standing Finance Committee meeting on Friday December 12, it was agreed to reduce the swimming pool fee for all persons undertaking full time education to 10p per session. This will take effect immediately and will continue for a trial period until Tuesday, June 30, 1998.

In Legislative Council last Friday, Councillor Birmingham commented that he hoped to see fewer youngsters on the streets and more in the pool.

New Magistrate

REPLACING Senior Magistrate, David Jeremiah, will be Keith Watson, a Deputy District Judge in the North East of England. He is a partner in a firm of solicitors. Mr Watson is married with children and will arrive on January 17. He will later be joined by his family

Composer seeks 'song' for the South

Visiting to the Falklands this week, on his way to Antarctica in search of musical inspiration, was composer and conductor Peter Maxwell-Davies. Mr Maxwell-Davies who was commissioned by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra to write a symphony about the extreme southern region was accompanied by the British Antarctic Survey Press Officer, his manager - Judy Arnold, and one other.

Becky Ingham, of Falklands Conservation, told *Penguin News* that they were asked to show Mr Maxwell-Davies something of Falklands wildlife during his two days in the Islands. He was extremely impressed by what he saw, said Becky, who accompanied him to Bertha's Beach to see a Gentoo colony and to Gypsy Cove, and



Composer Peter Maxwell-Davies inspired by the Gentoos at Bertha's Beach. He thought the scenery was similar to that of his home in the Orkneys.

The composer went on to travel to Rothera in the Antarctic on BAS

vessel *James Clark-Ross*, and will then move to a more remote camp. He will leave the Antarctic on a Dash 7 aircraft in early January.

Addis search group to arrive January

CONTINUING the search for the body of disappeared Marine, Alan Addis, fifteen years ago, Sergeant Mick Swindells and a search crew will arrive in the Islands on January 9, 1998.

Arriving in advance of the team (due to the need for six weeks quarantine) will be a sniffer dog, trained in searching for bodies. The team will bring special ground radar equipment to search those areas of North Arm designated as suspect areas. The suspect areas, said a spokesman for the Royal Falkland

Islands Police, are really just those that warrant a second look, "once searched, we can then rule them out."

Professor Hunter is to head the search team, and accompanying the group will be a TV crew interested in the scientific aspects of the search.

The search will begin on January 12, and the team are scheduled to leave the Islands on January 24.

As a personal favour to the group, Customs and Immigrations', Bernie Eccles, will be caring for the dog until their arrival.

Stanley FC return to Form

STANLEY Football team returned to winning ways, after their recent 5-0 thrashing by *HMS Endurance*, to defeat the RAF Resident Rapier Squadron (RRS) by 3 goals to 2 last weekend.

Stanley took the lead when James Peck eased his way past several defenders before slotting the ball into the net. Peck went on to create several more chances for him-

self but was thwarted by some fine goal-keeping.

However, his efforts were rewarded when he found Jeremy Henry, wide on the right, who delivered a pinpoint cross for Martyn Clarke to net with a powerful diving header.

After the break, and with a 2-0 lead and influential mid-fielder Bill Chater carrying an injury, Stanley

Prison sentence for local youth

CHARGES of actual bodily harm brought against a local youth were dismissed in Court earlier this week, the Magistrate declaring the evidence presented as unreliable. Also charged with common assault the youth was given a conditional discharge for two months; and for a charge of assaulting police officers received two two month prison sentences to run concurrently.

However, because the young man had already served 22 days on remand, he will be released on January 7, 1998.

From a report by Patrick Watts

relaxed somewhat and found themselves under pressure from the determined visitors, but it was Stanley who found the net again when the busy 'Spurs' Henry shot from the edge of the penalty area.

RRS came back strongly and snatched two goals from set pieces; a brilliantly taken free kick and a penalty, but Stanley held on to their one goal lead to the final whistle.



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Merry Christmas to all our customers from the staff at Penguin News

DUE to the frantic activity in the *Penguin News* office this week as a result of a desperate bid to include a large proportion of Legislative Council coverage in the newspaper before Christmas, I find myself with as little time to concentrate on my editorial as some of our councillors appeared to have had in contemplating their recent speeches. Embittered and uncharitable as that statement may seem - although, admittedly there were interesting moments in many speeches - I could not prevent a twinge of irritation that one or two Honourable Members appear to view their allowed time in the spotlight as a chance to meander at length (as they are perfectly entitled to) but in a frustratingly vague manner, through their pet subjects. While I would not for a moment argue that our representatives should not be given time to "get things off their chest," as the speeches to the Motion for Adjournment were justified to me by one councillor - I, probably like many others, lost count of the times I felt the urge to wave, hysterically, my transcription of the speeches (or perhaps in your case, the radio) and cry, "tell us something we don't know!"

Lessons in stating the obvious apart, (and, as I feel obliged to provide an example, may I cite Councillor Halford's comment that "what we must bear in mind is that capital priorities depend on money and manpower...") it was reassuring to note the opportunity was also used to express a well timed and studied calm with regard to the "Far East factor," and an interest in taking "more responsibility for their portfolios" - as a result of the latter we may all now anticipate the next LegCo with gleeful excitement.

Lord Montgomery was of course treated to the occasional mention, and I note thankfully the recent refusal by most of our representatives to tug their caps in that particular gentleman's direction.

On the subject of Montgomery, however, while the general consensus in the Islands appears to be that we should welcome the chance to challenge (or rather optimistically - 'change') the opinions of such people, I feel I must pass on an alternative view from a visitor to this office who asked, "What I want to know is when are we going to stop kowtowing to people like him?" His argument being, I think, that having invited the gentleman to the Islands to swap views with ourselves we may have given him even greater reason to believe that his own opinion of our political situation is actually of some importance.

In fact, having attended the recent public meeting with intention of listening to our visitors with an open mind, my good resolutions quickly faltered when it appeared that Montgomery's arguments for negotiations with Argentina were strongly based on the oddest of premises. By this I mean that whilst he knew full well that the Islands' government believe the optional links he advocated were against our interests, he indicated that we somehow owed it to Britain to go against our own judgement. Call me cynical, but does this 'experienced' politician truly believe it sensible for one government, as it were, to ignore its own instinct for self preservation, out of a sense of loyalty to another. To do so would make us a very rare species indeed!

Ultimately, we do not feel closer links with Argentina are presently in our interest, just as Britain does not, at present, feel it is in her interests either (or it seems obvious that they would have brought greater pressure to bear.) Thus the question I am certain you are all asking is, exactly whose interests is Viscount Montgomery attempting to serve?

To return to LegCo, (and my apologies for wandering, councillor-like, from my intended subject) I cannot let this moment pass without asking why it took Councillor Edwards and the Chief Executive at least ten minutes to come to no satisfactory conclusion regarding the question on the possibility of inviting farmers to work on Camp tracks, and can only conclude that like Councillor Halford (and the Hay question) they "lost the drift". Also, the prize for the most optimistic councillor must go to the Honourable Richard Cockwell for his hope that in two to three years time farmers may not need governmental support. To be fair to Richard however, I am aware that to be a happy farmer in the Falklands, one must also be an optimistic one.

READERS should be aware that there will not be another *Penguin News* until January 9. However, to avoid intruding on the Government printing office staffs' well-deserved holiday *Penguin News* will produce from this office a double-sided news sheet of local happenings on January 2, free of charge; plus the January 9 publication will be another bumper edition.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Tony Petterson and his team, all our advertisers, and last, but definitely not least all our readers for their support over the past year - Merry Christmas.

Your letters

Chilean prize not just for boys

I WAS surprised on reading the account of the Prize Giving at the Community School, to notice the following was incorrect. "The Chilean Community Prize for the Best Boy Student for Spanish."

I, as senior resident of Chilean birth, had the honour of presenting the Chilean Community Shield to the School. And, to avoid repeating myself, will repeat a paragraph of my letter, to the then Headmistress, Mrs Crow, on the occasion of my presentation to the School of the Mary Booth Shield, for the Girl Scholar with the highest proficiency in Spanish.

The following was published at that time by both *Penguin News* and FIBS.

MARY BOOTH MEMORIAL SHIELD: "This has nothing to do with the shield donated by the Chilean Community. That shield was clearly donated to record the

name of the SCHOLAR OF EITHER SEX, selected for maximum progress in learning Spanish.

Thus, if a girl surpasses all the rest in learning the Spanish Language, she would be eligible to have her name inscribed on both shields for that year."

Reference to the Chilean Community Shield should therefore be without mention of sex, i.e. FOR THE SCHOLAR WITH HIGHEST PROFICIENCY IN SPANISH.

It might sound nice - one for the boys and another for the girls - but I most certainly object to what could be an attempt to change the objective of the Chilean Community Shield, and thus deprive the girls from qualifying for that Shield.

Joe Booth
Stanley

Falklands visit was interesting and informative

Copy of a letter sent to Councillors. THE programme that had been arranged, including calls on Government Departments and excursions into Camp, was quite fascinating and most comprehensive. The Battle Day events and celebrations were moving and superbly executed. I felt at the end of my visit as if, together with the various receptions and parties, I must have met at least half the population, and probably more! I particularly enjoyed the opportunity to appreciate the extent of the Islands and their natural beauty - especially when the sun shone.

All the conversations - whether there was agreement or not - were most interesting and informative. I am extremely grateful to you and your colleagues for making this happen.

With very best wishes for Christmas and New Year to you all.

Viscount Montgomery of Alamein



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Good will gesture

FOR several years I have been reading the weekly edition of the *Penguin News* and I want to congratulate the editors for the excellent and independent newspaper it has become, publishing its own opinions in the editorials and the readers' opinions as well.

I will appreciate very much if you could publish this letter in reference to Bill Luxton's letter about Mr Di Tella's possible visit to the Islands. Bill Luxton is right. Argentina has changed so much in the last ten years that many people could rightly think that this is an hallucination, a dream or a fantasy.

Actually it is not. Argentina is now a stable, democratic country with a stable currency, growing at 8% per year, and it has the most liberal foreign minister it ever had who is even ready to visit the Falk-

lands on a foreign passport to listen to the Islanders' wishes. Argentine - British relations are excellent, and even President Menem has been invited on an official visit to London later in 1998.

Many people in Argentina are against such a visit and also against Di Tella's visiting the Islands on a foreign passport saying that such a visit could mean a *de facto* recognition of British sovereignty. Some people on the Islands are also against such visits - perhaps for exactly opposite reasons.

I think positive attitudes from both sides should be welcome. A visit by Mr Di Tella would make no harm to anyone and should be welcomed for what it is, a good will gesture.

Conrado Etchebarne
Bullrich

THE estimated 12,000 or so tourists expected to be thronging the streets of Stanley this season from visiting cruise ships will find coming ashore a simpler and safer exercise following the replacement of the old, and dangerous, metal steps on the public jetty by new, wider timber steps with a solid handrail. The picture (below) shows the Public Works Department putting the finishing touches to the new steps which took several days to instal. Dave and Carol Eynon of South Atlantic Marine Services assisted with the underwater work.



Moffat's 'machine' is plasterboard wonder

LOCAL entrepreneur turned inventor, Jimmy Moffat, has developed a manually operated machine that makes plasterboarding a ceiling child's play - or almost. Certainly it allows the job to be done single-handed.

Jimmy told *Penguin News* he conceived and built the machine when he was in the process of plasterboarding the vast ceiling of his new house on Ross Road East. Now he has applied for patents on the machine and is looking for a manufacturer to help him develop the idea into a commercial product.



Falklands' Update

THE General Purposes Committee have decided that Councillor's Norma Edwards and Mike Summers are to attend the South Atlantic Council's Falklands Update at the Royal United Services Institute in February.

"One of the dangers of boycotting these things," Councillor Summers said, "is that you get a group of people who are not sufficiently knowledgeable about the Falklands, and who start telling themselves all sorts of things which are not necessarily correct and then start believing them. It's important from our point of view to keep feeding the truth to these organisations and make sure they understand the position from our point of view."

It was also decided that Councillor Jan Cheek will attend the party political conferences instead of Bill Luxton, while Councillor Sharon Halford will be the only Falklands' delegate at the annual Commonwealth Parliamentary Association conference in New Zealand in October.

Student allowance increase declined

A REQUEST to increase allowances paid to student attending Loughborough was declined by GPC last week. Councillors confirmed maintenance of the existing policy for students who choose not to attend Peter Symonds College.

Food for thought

CHILDREN attending the school hostel are to get a better balanced 'dietary provision' after councillors noted what Councillor Lewis Clifton described as 'disparities between meal allowances for the school hostel and the hospital.'

An unusual visitor to Stanley Harbour last week was this solitary King Penguin who came ashore on the beach 200 metres west of the old Beaver Hangar.

Falklands Conservation say lone king penguins are sometimes observed in rookeries of other breeds. They are rarely seen in Stanley Harbour.



Service and compassion

AT 2.00 pm last Saturday we received some devastating news. By 4.30 pm that same day International Tours and Travel had my wife on a flight home.

Service of that calibre, and the compassion shown, is deserving of public acknowledgement.

Thank you Jennie Forrest and staff.

Jeff McInnis
Stanley

Trust is grateful

I WOULD like to express my sincere gratitude to Marvin Clarke for the organisational skill and effort he put into the "82 Yomp". Without his enthusiasm and help our Trust would not be able to help so many people.

Also a big thank you to the back-up teams who put enormous effort into this event.

Many thanks go also to all the participants for their tremendous efforts - civilians and military alike.

June Besley-Clark
Stanley

Camp Santa to fly again

IT'S official! Santa will be flying around Camp this Christmas, as he has done in recent years, though he may not reach quite as many settlements as before.

Health visitor, Miranda Cheek, and speech therapist, Sue Wilks, have stepped into the breach left by departing David Harding-Price and have co-ordinated this year's effort so that children in Camp will not be disappointed.

Unfortunately Santa will be restricted to only one day's flying this Christmas and so will reach only a dozen settlements. These will be: Albemarle, Fitzroy, North Arm, Port Stephens, Fox Bay East, Hill Cove, Saunders Island, Pebble Island, Blue Beach, Little Creek, Salvador and the Murrell.

Other Camp children needn't despair, though. Miranda and Sue, aided by Lorraine McGill and Robin Goodwin, hope to be able to send a present, through the generosity of FIGAS, to every Camp child up to Year Six age.

Miranda and Sue are especially grateful to 78 Squadron for their help in the exercise, and to all who contributed financially to their appeal for funds. Anyone who would like to contribute but hasn't yet should contact Miranda or Sue as soon as possible.



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Wed 24 Dec	Normal	0830-1700
Thu 25 Dec	CLOSED	
Fri 26 Dec		1700-1800
Sat 27 Dec		1700-1800
Sun 28 Dec		0900-1000
Mon 29 Dec		0900-1000
Tue 30 Dec	Normal	0830-1700
Wed 31 Dec	Normal	0830-1700
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Sat 03 Jan	Normal	0900-1300



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Tristan interlude

Archivist Jane Cameron finds her Utopia in Tristan da Cunha

FALKLAND Islanders are well used to hearing such words as isolated, outlying, solitary and peaceful, when visitors to these shores describe our existence. However, local archivist, Jane Cameron discovered new meaning to these words when, after four years of preparation, she fulfilled her ambition to visit our neighbouring British Dependency, the tiny Island of Tristan da Cunha. Lying Northeast of the Falklands, but closer to South Africa, the Islanders live on the only (half mile wide) flat area of what is little more than a steep mountain protruding from the sea. In a temperate climate, the Islanders live an almost self sufficient existence, highly dependent on potatoes, fish, mutton and less so on the relatively expensive imported goods brought in by very occasional ships. Apart from those visits the only reciprocal communications are via a radio station in Cape Town, or the extremely costly, and thus little used, telephone/fax link in the Administrator's office.

Jane's primary reason for visiting, she explained, was pure curiosity which grew when she became friends with Tristan Islanders, Jimmy and Felicity Glass, during their time in the Falklands seven years ago. Having been invited to visit, she was also delighted to be asked by the Administrator if she could, "help with the archives." Eventually she was able to arrange travel to the Island on the scientific research vessel the *Agulhas*, with the intention of leaving with Jimmy and Felicity, when Jimmy was due to travel to UK to attend a course. Unfortunately, the *Agulhas* was delayed two months. By the time Jane had arrived, Jimmy and Felicity had had to leave for Cape Town.

Undaunted (and delighted by the warm hospitality of the Islanders) Jane

Below: Anderson Green who once worked on Pebble Island in the Falklands.

Below right: A Tristan wedding dance.

Far right bottom: A small shed at the base of the Peak.

Right: Margaret Swain, widow of Sognaes Swain.

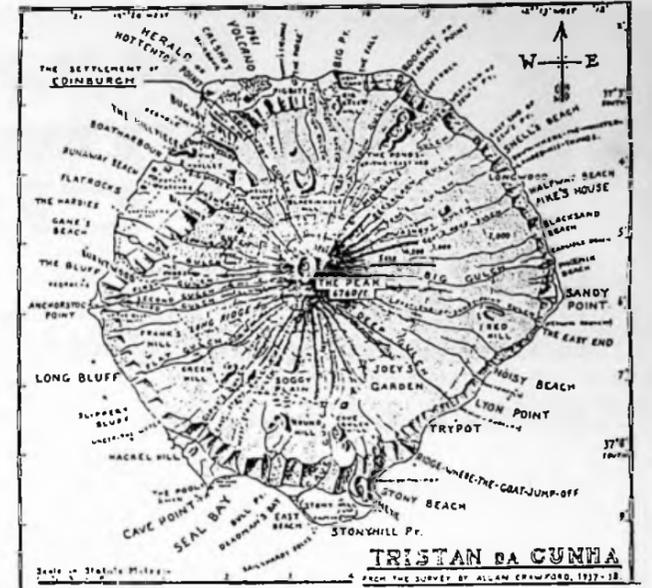
Right above: The Administrator's Office

was able to spend a few weeks learning about a fascinating lifestyle which, said Jane, to some extent echoed parts of life in the Falklands many years ago. By this she meant the great extent to which the local people are dependent on each other. "If a couple get married," explained Jane, "and there are no houses available, then they simply request a piece of land from the government (for no cost) and the community help build them a house." Each household is given as many potato patches as they are able to work, and retain eight breeding sheep, three cows and a black and white dog. If an Islander is ill or has to leave Tristan for some time, a relative (everybody is related) will look after their potato patches until they return. In fact, said Jane, this was just what the Uncle of Jimmy Glass, Ken Rogers, was doing for his nephew and wife while she was on the Island.

Asked what it was about the Island that had made such an impression on her Jane talked of how Tristan da Cunha is one of those rare places where strength and endurance are not only highly respected but an absolute necessity. Islanders are very fit, and many are strong swimmers and climbers right into old age. The late Joseph Glass (who worked in the Falklands, at Port Louis, in the 1950's) is almost a folk legend on the Island. Many years ago when a dinghy capsized in rough seas trying to reach a mail boat, Joseph swam out, rescued two men, took the dinghy to the ship and returned with the mail. Joseph disappeared one day never to be seen again and Islanders are convinced he must have been eaten by a shark, because they cannot believe him capable of having simply drowned or fallen from a cliff.

Also, extremely notable, said Jane is that everyone is on an equal footing. Everybody works for the government, so, as such, there are no bosses and no social differences. Everyone is respected for what they can contribute to the community.

The Islanders have a past which has comprised many hardships. Vessels carrying necessary supplies have often had to pass by the Island (and still do) if the weather has been too bad to approach the dangerous cliffs. Once, during a potato blight, ships could not



Above: Tristan da Cunha. The map clearly illustrates the steepness of the cliffs around the Island and the peak (on which some sheep are retained). Because of the steep Peak, Islanders can only live in the settlement of Edinburgh on the North coastal plain.



reach the Island due to the severe swell, and Islander, Ken Rogers, told Jane they were forced to live only on fish. Sometimes they would have no food all day until they brought the catch home.

Whatever the hardships, however, the Islanders live a happy, healthy existence, their social lives revolving around weddings, funerals and births. The 300 residents (comprising only seven family names) pulling together to make a lifestyle truly work in a way which left Jane almost nostalgic for the 'old Falklands.'

The seven Tristan family names: Glass, Green, Rogers, Hagan, Swain, Lavarello and Repetto.



Stanley Swimming Club

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Stanley Leisure Centre Christmas period opening times

Day/date	Courts	Pool
Mon 22 Dec 97	11am - 9pm Public	12am - 1pm Lanes
Tues 23 Dec 97	11am - 9pm Public	2pm - 8pm Public 12am - 1pm Lanes
Wed 24 Dec 97	11am - 5pm Public	2pm - 7pm Public 7pm - 8pm Adults 12am - 1pm Lanes
Thurs 25 Dec 97	Closed	2pm - 5pm public
Fri 26 Dec 97	Closed	Closed
Sat 27 Dec 97	Closed	Closed
Sun 28 Dec 97	11am - 5pm Public	Closed
Mon 29 Dec 97	11am - 5pm Public	11am - 5pm Public
Tue 30 Dec 97	Closed	11am - 5pm Public
Wed 31 Dec 97	Closed	Closed
Thurs 1 Jan 98	Closed	Closed
Fri 2 Jan 98	Closed	Closed
Sat 3 Jan 98	11am - 5pm Public 11am - 6pm Public	Closed
Sun 4 Jan 98	11am - 6pm Public	11am - 5pm Public 11am - 4pm Public 4pm - 5pm Adults 11am - 4pm Public 4pm - 5pm Adults

THE PENGUIN NEWS REVIEW OF 1997 SUPPLEMENT



1997 is almost done. All the joys, the heartbreaks, the tragedies and the triumphs of another year are slipping quietly into history. In this brief Review Penguin News relives some of the moments - good and bad and comical - that have made 1997 commercially, technologically and politically a year to remember. A busy year and lack of space mean we can only include highlights. Read - and remember 1997.

January

THE main headlines in early January predictably heralded news that spilled over from late December. Politics featured strongly, the month beginning with Michael Portillo's visit to the Islands to reassure us that there would be. "No reneging on Tory commitment." His assurances that the Islands were safe had the ring of irony when, five months on, he found himself on the political scrapheap. This was the month in which Councillors said, "no" to British Government requests to agree an oil formula and the Chevening 'non' talks became public knowledge.



The ladies sack race with Zoe Luxton and Debbie Summers. Stanley Sports

Stanley's firefighters successfully controlled seaborne blazes aboard *Baltic Prosperity* and a fishing vessel *Playa da Coba*; a new CBFFI. Brigadier Iain Campbell arrived; local artist Jamie Peck returned to the Islands following a sell-out exhibition in Buenos Aires; the New Year Honours List awarded Siggy Barnes the CBE; a flu epidemic saw more than a hundred people treated at KEMH; the *Adix*, 62 metres of three masted seaborne opulence spent three days in Stanley Harbour; fire in a gorse bush on the west end of Victory Green closed Ross Road temporarily; and long time, if reluctant, Stanley visitor *Thunnus* (now renamed *Jacqueline*) finally returned to sea.



Jonny Summers demonstrates perfect technique at the Bodie Creek meet in January

The RAF once again demonstrated their flying skills by rescuing broken-legged BAS scientist Barry Heyward in difficult conditions at Cape Dolphin; and rumours of financial problems for DAP were denied.

On the sporting front Stewart 'Tooty' Morrison was Champion Jockey; Stanley's footballers had a good month defeating the Resident Rapier Squadron, the Supply Squadron and the Irish Guards but going down 4-3 to a strong Tri-services team; Derek Jaffray had established a lead of 31 points over second placed Jonny Summers in the ongoing Moto Cross championship; and MPA won the South Atlantic Ashes in one of the wettest cricket matches ever played.

Weather wise January was reported as being wetter, warmer and duller than usual with gales occurring on nine days in the month - a new record high.

courtesy of the Shackleton Fund. in search of inspiration in South Georgia.

New arrivals included David Higgins, a pleasantly unassuming man from the English Midlands who came to inject a new and more open management ethos into the Community School; and Russ Jarvis, a Dorset born career civil servant who replaced Craig Shelton as First Secretary and Assistant Commissioner for South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands.

Visitors to the Islands included the controversial figure of Colin Smith of DS & Co whose running battle with government over differing wool freight rates was to run and run; Dr Alan Low the tree specialist who postulated the possibility of 20,000 trees being planted in the Islands within two years; FIGO representative, Sukey Cameron; and a production team



Some of the members of the 'Hit Squad', Jane Cameron, Matt Burnett, Daniel Fowler and Debbie Summers

February

February began with two maritime stories. The trawler, *Saint Denis*, struck a reef in the Sea Lion Islands and was towed to safe mooring by the tugboat *Indomitable*, while on a smaller scale American sailor, Karen Thorndyke, was rescued by *HMS Norfolk* suffering from angina and dehydration. Four of the crew sailed her yacht, *Amelia*, back to the Falklands while Karen was hospitalised.

Stock marketeers suffered as Hogg Robinson blamed the strong pound for the crash that wiped 25% off the value of their shares, and investors in Shandwick saw their shares falling in value with the resignation of four of their key executives. Artist Jamie Peck departed,

litical feathers were said to have been 'ruffled' at the news of a visit to Falkland House in London of an Argentine trade delegation. FIGO representative, Sukey Cameron, said the decision to allow the visit came from Stanley. Despite much verbal thundering over 60% of the 470 Hay Management acceptance forms had been returned signed by the end of the month. Only four civil servants apparently deciding not to accept the 'new deal'.

Fire swept through the FIDC offices on Airport Road, forcing them to move to temporary quarters in the revamped Parish Hall, while a second fire, at Walker Creek, destroyed a workshop/store. More assurances that DAP was not 'finished' were made; an arrest warrant was issued for Leopoldo Galtieri implicating him in the deaths of a Spaniard and his two sons in Rosario; vet Andrew Coe as a manically pneumatic Dame hijacked the show in FIODA's seasonal pantomime offering of Bumper Jack and the Beanstalk; and Joe and Gladys King celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

"An outstanding achievement" was how one reporter described the victory by a team of budding journalists from the Community School in the overseas section of the *Times Educational Supplement's* annual Newspaper Day competition. Three team members subsequently travelled to UK to receive the award in a presentation at the Houses of Parliament.

Alistair Lack, head of English programmes for the BBC World Service, visited; New Zealander Colin Horton was appointed Managing Director of Falkland Landholdings; and psychiatric nurse David Harding-Price departed.

The humour and flexibility of the Medical Department was amply demonstrated when *Kasia*, Dennis Middleton's trusty steed, plodded uncomplainingly through the KEMH to be X-rayed after being found lame.

March

Modern protest methods emerged in the Islands as 'homeless' Lucy Ellis pitched her tent in Government House paddock in an effort to highlight her plight. Po-

Top sports story was the return from Chile of Stanley's footballers after an almost fairy tale tour there. Their record was won one, drew one, lost one. Other sporting notables included the triumph of the *Penguin News* team (the *Deadliners*) in the first of a series of netball tournaments; Derek Jaffray's domination of the Moto Cross scene having amassed 400 points to Jan Clarke's 284 in second; and the twin victories by Marty Barnes and Claire Kilmartin in the annual Tumbledown Run.



Lucy Ellis and her des res tent April

The month began with a storm of protest over the announcement that there would be no more DAP 727 flights to the Islands, and ended with the revelation that a new air link to Britain via Uruguay and Brazil had been proposed by Mike Summers and aviation consultant Adrian Noskwith.



Stanley's footballers in high spirits after their return from Chile

In between came the news that the venture involving luxury longliner *Island Queen* had failed and she was returning to Iceland; the Cape Dolphin link road was completed and officially opened by HE the Governor; around 40 pilot whales were stranded on a beach near Chartres Settlement; and *HMS Leeds Castle* was boarded by pirates as she hosted a party for the children of Stanley.

British newspapers carried headlines proclaiming the Falklands a 'Death Star' posting responsible for causing a mass brawl at MPA; while Councillors once again reinforced their unequivocal political stance by unanimously rejecting a written plea by Argentine politicians to visit the Islands to, "pay homage to their war dead."

There was sad news on the 7th with the death of staunch Falklands supporter and friend Captain Nicholas Barker, RN.

In sport the one day mini-sports was a big success with Keith Whitney's little mare, *Ensconce*, proving to be unbeatable over shorter distances, *Shaka* and *Sandown* also showing well in the longer races. Stanley squared the soccer series against Tri-services by winning 2-1 on April 6, and then lost 4-2 in the final match to allow the visitors to take the Veteran's Trophy.

Finally, the month was much sunnier than the average April but was also the windiest (along with 1996) since records began.



The start of the Tumbledown Run, a sporting highlight in March

May

This was the month in which the story that shocked the Falklands broke. Government and public alike were outraged by revelations that foreign seamen were being tortured aboard fishing vessels in Falklands' waters but that police were helpless under current international law.

In stark contrast was the heart-warming story of prematurely born Ryan Neil Watson. Some fifty people (RAF, KEMH and Fire Brigade) were combined their efforts in a mercy dash that saw baby Ryan and mother, Ruth Watson, evacuated to Montevideo for specialist treatment.



Ryan Watson, the three and a half pound miracle baby

Politically we were coming to terms with a new Labour government in Britain after almost two decades of Tory rule. Sir Michael Shersby MP, described as a staunch friend of the Falklands, died at the age of 64. A letter to *Penguin News* from Councillor Bill Luxton, in which he pointed out only 50% of councillors "concurred" with the renewal of the Chief Executive's contract for a further two years was in turn criticised by Councillor John Birmingham.



In the first week of May twenty eight year old Trigger, spent an estimated four or five days bogged on Stanley Common before being found by owner Bernadette Paver.

There were two notable military achievements: the completion of the new all-weather air-strip on Sea Lion Island and the superb effort by the two FIDF teams in beating the renowned Gurkha's into third place in the March and Shoot competition.

Other news: The cost of Tristar flights rose by 3%; the Education Board recommended a new school year after a referendum of parents indicated 88% approval; FCO bigwig, Peter Westmacott, visited the Islands and confirmed Labour's commitment to the status quo; Cara Ross made a "stunning" May Queen, with Matthew McMullen being

Southern Ocean temperature to raise funds for charity, and the *Goose* appearances - this time drawing satirical attention to the phone-in conference on the proposed new air-link to Montevideo and Sao Paulo, and introducing characters like *Andy Gura*, *Windy Turbot*, *Johnny Wolverhampton* and *Falkland Islands Handloom Corporation* boss, *Normand Wisdom*. The identity of the publisher is still not known.



Capt. Peter Biggs leads the FIDF 'A' team across a stone run in their successful bid to beat the Gurkhas in May's March and Shoot MPA on August 2.

In sport, our Moto Cross boys held their heads high in the notorious Welsh Enduro event. Derek Jaffray claimed first place in the Clubman Class, Jonny Summers taking third in the 250cc Class. Less energetically Colin 'Tootie' Ford beat Tim Bonner into second place in a nail biting final of the Johnny Walker Darts Championship; Maggie Barker taking the Ladies tournament.

July

The two stories that jostled for public attention could not have been

May Queen, Cara Ross with Prince Charming, Matthew McMullen



more different. The first was Britain's hand over of Hong Kong to China which drew inevitable comparisons with the Falklands' situation. The second detailed the row over the presentation of an athletics medal to convicted murderer, Rod Newell, currently incarcerated in a Jersey prison.

Ending months of speculation came the news that FIG and Lan Chile had finally agreed a deal with the first jet aircraft due to arrive at

Games in Jersey. Our shooters picked up a handful of bronze medals and two silvers eclipsing other, and much larger, national teams.

Still overseas Derek Jaffray and Jonny Summers had a good showing in the British Enduro Championship in Scotland with Derek winning yet another gold medal; and our netball girls enjoyed a triumphant



Heidi Blake in action (See June) tour of Northern England. More locally, Colin Smith won his eighth Governor's Cup.

Current affairs stories included the specially convened ExCo meeting from which HE the Governor emerged to say the proposed air link to Montevideo and Sao Paulo had been squashed. "It is an idea," he said, "whose time has not yet come."

There was good news, too, at a more local level. The first ten East Stanley houses were completed and handed over; baby Ryan Watson, accompanied by Dad, Paul, and Mum, Ruth, arrived safely back in the Islands courtesy of *RFA Grey Rover*; and Andrea Clausen adopted the title of 'Doctor' after successfully completing her PhD at Bango University.

It was a big month on the sporting front with a 24 strong team representing the Falklands at the Island



David Peck and Graham Didlick relish the moment they receive their silver medals at the Island Games in Jersey

Much comment, written and oral, was also generated by the inclusion with *Penguin News* of an 'Immigration Discussion Document'; and in a landmark case the owners of the *Typhoon* were fined £2,000 for allowing oil or oil residue to escape into Stanley harbour.

August

August developed into a politically active month with the announcement of October 9 as the date for the General Election. Initial conjecture over potential candidates was further excited by the revelation that



Midwinter madness as 220 turn up to take the Surf Bay plunge



Kelly Moffat earns the top female swimmer award in the August Gala

prospective councillors would only be able to stand for the constituency in which they lived because of the erroneous omission of one item in the Amending Order to the Constitution.

Overseas Dr di Tella began talking publicly about his wish to visit the Islands; a Chilean court condemned Lan Chile and other airlines for what it called 'non-competitive practices' which effectively damaged minnow airline DAP; and the South

consistent Alistair Ceballos took the men's award; and Paul Riddell overpowered Andrew Gurr in the final of the 1997 Open Short Tennis Tournament - incidentally the first sporting event to be broadcast live by KTV.

September

News that the results of the Dependent territories Review would be published in February 1998 was completely eclipsed at the beginning of the month by the untimely death of Princess Di, the Peoples' Princess, in a traffic accident in Paris which sparked worldwide demonstrations of mass mourning.

Another death which held particular significance for Islanders was that of long-time Falklands' campaigner, Bill Hunter-Christie.

More prosaically, the fourteen candidates for election to Legislative Council were named and the speeches began; Chilean tourist officials issued a guide to visitors following the spread of the rodent carried hantavirus; there was early closure for the loligo fishing season and a warning that the ozone hole was more elliptical this year and would therefore have more effect on the Falklands; an oil leakage from a storage tank at Hill Cove allowed some 22,000 litres of diesel to escape into the sea; Amerada Hess announced they had signed a three year deal with Dolphin Drilling Limited for the drill rig *Borgny Dolphin* to begin drilling in Falkland waters in May 1998; and the Socio-Economic study of the Falklands by Coopers and Lybrand became available to the public.

Proving the silly season is, in fact,



Buttons (Alex Birmingham) comforts Cinders (Katy Teggart) in the Infant and Junior School's August production of *Cinders*

Atlantic Council sent their now notorious 'memo' to Foreign Minister, Robin Cook.

Other stories included Katie Diggle's remarkable achievement in gaining an 'A' grade in each of the four A levels she studied; *CFL Pioneer* became the first vessel to be fully owned by a 100% Falkland Islands' fishing company; Stanley couple Rene and Billy Duncan celebrated their Golden Wedding; Government House was ripped apart - by workmen preparing to modernise the interior; progressive boss of KTV, Mario Zuvic-Bulic, announced a new deal that would provide up to eighty TV and 30 radio channels for subscribers to his service; broadcaster Myriam Booth celebrated the tenth birthday of her long running radio show, Pot Luck; and the Chief Executive resigned as a director of Falkland Landholdings.

Sport, and Kelly Moffat gained the top female swimmer award in the Stanley Swimming Club Gala. Ever



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Speeches to the Motion for Adjournment

Speech by the
Honourable Lewis Clifton

TODAY I would wish to bid a special welcome to Baroness Hooper, who is here with us, for that thank you very much. The other guest a number of evenings ago was Viscount Montgomery and there was a robust debate, as is well illustrated in the *Penguin News* today. Viscount Montgomery's views are not necessarily good news for a great many folks here, but nevertheless I think the opportunity extended to both he, and Baroness Hooper, to visit the Falklands, can do nothing else but cause a Falklands' view to be heard, and indeed in part, to be taken to another place. I know the Viscount admitted several times that he was a little bruised from his encounters with some folk, but so be it, that is the spirit of democracy. I believe it is important that we continue to invite Parliamentarians from all persuasions to these Islands, because there is nothing like seeing a place for yourself, and I say this also in some respect for other visitors, not least Major General and Mrs Pennefather who also visited at the same time. Equally, it is important for Councillors to undertake visits, and I say this by making special mention of the very good visit programme the Commander British Forces afforded councillors shortly after the election, and I very much welcomed that, and I wish to extend a thank you for that. I think it is important that we continue to ensure that visitors come to these Islands - they might not necessarily accept our views, but I think that over the time of a visit views tend to change, and I have seen that through a considerable number of Parliamentarian visits that I have been closely involved in myself. We must not become complacent that the Falkland's view is the only view, because there are a great number of other views, and we need to be sure that we hear those and try and persuade them there is a different picture.

The only other significant point I would like to reflect upon is the motion today by the Honourable Councillor Mike Summers. I believe this is a necessary step in the right direction. I see it as necessary because I believe it is important for the Constitution to be under continual review, and I believe it both

right and proper that the Constitution is reviewed during the term of this council, and that it should at some point embody the recommendation of the Select Committee, and that those recommendations are written into, that is, they are enshrined, in the constitution.

In my own questions to the Chief Executive today I did pose the name the Falkland Islands Government. There was a very good reason for that as I am only a very recent member of the Falkland Islands Government, so I wish to be sure that the electorate who listen to this broadcast are well aware of what those decisions were. But I am also very conscious of the need of this Council to promote greater transparency, and already within the council there is some agreement to move a long way down that road. It would take a little time to do so, but I personally hope that by the end of the tenure of this council there will be full accountability of the councillors who hold their own individual portfolio.

There is only one other matter I think I am duty bound to do today. I will be guided whether the time is correct to do this, and if it is may I proceed. It is I believe my honour on behalf of all councillors to make a presentation to Commander British Forces who is nearing the end of his tour in the Falklands. I personally would like to thank him for the few weeks in which he has often tended advice to me as a councillor. I realise it is the end of his tour but I would wish to express those thanks, and if he would be so kind as to accept this small token of our gratitude.

I support the motion.

Speech by the
Honourable Richard Cockwell
YOUR Excellency, Honourable Members - In rising to support the motion I too would like to express my gratitude to the Commander British Forces for the support and advice he has given me in the few short weeks that I've been on Council, and I wish him well wherever he is travelling to from here. I have been assured by my colleagues on Council that I should be brief (as they know, I am always brief) but I think I should mention that I fully associate myself with the previous speaker's remarks regarding the visit of Baroness Hooper. I welcome her

in this house, and I hope that one of these days we might well be able to visit the house where she holds state and look forward to meeting her again.

I feel I should mention the crisis in Korea, as we all know there is a crisis in Korea which does affect the Falkland Islands quite considerably, because a lot of our income comes from the Illex fishery through the Korean fishing boats. And with the crisis we might be affected, but I can assure this house and any person who is listening to me, I will not be driven into making a panic knee-jerk reaction similar to what we had a few years ago. I think it was 1992 when it appeared we had a similar crisis. I think we have to approach this very carefully and sensibly, and not make any instant decisions which could affect our capital programmes and the running of this country for quite a considerable time.

Regarding Camp I believe that we are still going to have to continue to make every effort to start the Camp roads programmes both in the south of the East, and south of the West, as soon as possible. I know it is going to cost us a lot of money, I know it causes all sorts of man power problems, but I think we have to address these problems and get on with it. I think it is essential for the development of the Camp to get these roads started.

Agricultural assistance is another matter which is very close to my heart, and I believe we are already starting with the Agriculture Department looking for ways (in agricultural assistance) of turning from just helping to keep farmers' heads above water, to aiming towards making the farms more profitable, and hopefully ease the situation to a point where they do not require assistance. I look forward to this happening within the next two or three years.

The previous speaker mentioned accountability. I wish to see us become much more, or fully accountable in lots of ways for our portfolios, and I hope by the next Legislative Council that questions for oral answer will be answered by the portfolio holders, and not entirely by the Chief Executive.

Your Excellency, I wish to support the motion.

Speech by the
Honourable Sharon Halford
MR President, Honourable Members. I too would like to welcome Baroness Hooper, and of course Lord Montgomery, who has now gone. Like Councillor Clifton I too

believe that visitors to the Islands are actually good news for us. Whether or not they agree with our opinions is irrelevant. I think it does anyone good to come here and see who we are, what we are, and I am sure they all go away far better informed.

I would also like to thank the Commander for his interventions and the discussions we have had from time to time, and the part he has played at ExCo. I wish him and his wife all the best in their new posting.

As for taking responsibility for our portfolios (well I'll certainly have to have my voice here) I suspect when we come back next time, (due to being responsible for PWD, a rather large department) I am sure I am going to have most of the Honourable Members having a good go at me, or certainly areas of that portfolio. I was reminded earlier this week that PWD does form one of the largest spending departments within the whole of the Government network. Earlier this week as a group we were discussing our capital priorities, and I think what we have to bear in mind is that all the capital priorities are all dependent on money, but equally as important, also dependent on manpower. And I think we realise now that in many areas we are in a kind of chicken and egg situation. We know we need certain things but we cannot do them because we do not have housing, and housing seems to be a core problem in many areas. I am sure with the 60 man accommodation camp being built the situation will be eased in certain areas.

Getting back to roads, I suppose I will be criticised by two members who are going to speak later from the West. Having lived on the East all my life I had always considered that the East Falkland land was awful, thus we needed roads more quickly than they did on the West (as their land was absolutely wonderful). However, having been over there recently I still think their land is absolutely wonderful, but I do believe they need roads equally as much as we do.

Strange as it may seem, one of the worst things I came across on the West when driving around was their ditches, fortunately I did not manage to get bogged in one, but they are much wider and deeper, or they appear to be, than those on the East, and when it comes to their mountains and hills, I can assure you I would not like to drive a

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vehicle up, or down, some of them. I do believe they need roads equally as much as we do, but having said that, I think we will have to wait and see as to whether or not we can actually afford to progress two road gangs at the same time, desirable as it may be. Listening to the Chief Executive's replies earlier, he, I believe, said that the earliest these roads could be started was October next year, whether they both will be or not (I'm talking about the Lafonia and Port Stephens ones) obviously we will have to wait and see.

I somewhat lost the drift on the Hay Question, but I believe what I was trying to get at was whether or not, once we go into this system, we would be paid on the same levels as people are paid in the UK. As I understand it, when we first set up the whole Hay idea, it was realised there was a great difference between what people were paid here and elsewhere, therefore we couldn't attract people to come in. Now, with the Hay process we will be aware of what is paid elsewhere, but we will not necessarily have to match it. That choice will be ours. Hopefully we will manage still to keep everyone happy.

Sir, I support the motion.

Speech by the Honourable John Birmingham

MR President, Honourable Members, I would like to speak on the Far Eastern cash crisis, which will affect us to some extent. I would also like to echo the Honourable Richard Cockwell, and say that I would not be party to any repeat of the panic of 91/92.

If I recall correctly, in the Soviet days, when they had their cash problems, they paid in all manner

of commodities. Maybe there is scope for somebody in the private sector to bring down Korean road building equipment, instead of hard currency.

We are half way through the summer, half way through yet another year, and the oil is still there at Albermarle - or a fair bit of it. I would be interested to know what, if anything, is going to be achieved this year.

The Stanley Services monopoly still causes irritation to many retailers, who still insist that Stanley Services use their subsidy. (in some ways it is) the money they get from their fuel monopoly, to subsidise their retail sales. At some point this is going to have to be sorted out, it cannot really continue the way it is. On the subject of The Dependent Territories review - I expect (I hope) there will be full consultation with the elected members of this Council. I know some people are concerned, but I just cannot believe that under New Labour there will be any imperial decrees, as has happened in the past.

I would like to say something about Battle Day. I went to church on Battle Day, I like to go as it is an historic day. But I was a little concerned that there was very little said about the actual battle. If we do not continue to teach the youngsters of today what the particular holidays are all about, then eventually the knowledge will just fall by the wayside. I think really we should stick with the idea of Battle Day, and any other Falkland Islands holidays, so that we can teach people coming through that there is something there, and it is not just another day off.

With my Youth, Leisure and Sport hat on, I would like to thank the Honourable Members who to-

day agreed that for a trial period - until the end of this financial year - the charges at the swimming pool will be reduced to 10p, as from Monday, for anybody in full time education. Thus we would hope to see fewer people on the streets and more in the pool.

I would like to say farewell to the Brigadier, and wish him well for the future - and his wife, and hope he goes away with some reasonable memories and happy thoughts.

I would also welcome Baroness Hooper here, and hope that she has had a reasonable week.

I would like to end with a plea to taxi drivers around the town. Would you please stop and pick up people quietly. Believe it or not people are irritated by your constant tooting of your horns.

Sir, I support the motion.

Speech by the Honourable Jan Cheek

YOUR Excellency, Honourable Members. In rising to support the motion, I too would like to welcome Baroness Hooper to this meeting, and note how welcome have been the other parliamentary guests we have had this year.

I think we can all learn from the visits - of course we hope that we can influence them while they are here, but I am sure we can learn a lot from those people as well.

People mentioned panic - I experience a particular kind of panic when faced with a microphone - so in my last speech at Legislative Council I omitted a very important tribute I wanted to pay to Bill Hunter Christie, thus I think it is appropriate that I pay it now. We still have on the table here the wine coasters that he handed to my late husband when Bill Christie was given the freedom of Stanley - he hoped that we would be reminded of him by those coasters. We would possibly not be here around this table but for people like Bill Christie, and I think we should never forget that.

Moving on, the economy has been mentioned by some people, and the possible knock on effect of the rumblings in the Far Eastern economies, not just Korea although Korea is the worst affected. It does raise the question, (and of course I must declare an interest whenever mentioning anything associated with fishing) why we had so many eggs, so to speak, in the Korean basket. And, perhaps we should spread our risks more widely. However, that said, we all view the situation very seriously, but I agree with my colleagues, it is not a time to panic, it is merely a time to take note, and to take care and try to avoid such situations in the future.

Moving on to more local matters, I asked questions about housing because so much of our development hinges on the availability of housing at the moment. Things are actually being held up because of lack of housing. I know it is an emotive subject, especially the allocation, the waiting list. We have to be sure that we are making best use of the housing we have. Apart

from building more in the future, it is up to us, when we have the report expected on housing needs, to keep that housing programme rolling alongside other capital projects. It should not displace others, it should not be displaced by others. But like the roads, housing should be an ongoing project.

Something else with which I have been concerned, and which has been very interesting to work with, is the new immigration policy, which we hope to have in place before long (and there may possibly be legislation required to match that new policy).

I agree that we continue with the trickle of immigrants, but as in other areas we need to show that the system is transparent and fair, and I am hoping that the policy that we finally come up with will do this, whether we adopt a points system, or modify a points system, or however we do it.

Moving on to my own particular interest, education, I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank my fellow councillors for the ease with which they have supported all the recent demands which have been made on behalf of education - in new teaching staff, a temporary building to relieve some of the immediate pressure on the Junior School, and a recognition of the high placing educational establishments needs on our list of priorities.

Finally I would like to join other members in saying farewell to the Commander of British Forces, as I understand this is his last meeting of LegCo, and also to his wife - our best wishes to both.

Speech by the Honourable Norma Edwards

YOUR Excellency, Honourable Members. Can I mention medium wave transmission in the Falklands, which is very bad and a lot of places are not able to receive this at all. It really is remiss of us that we cannot broadcast to our own people the local news, announcements and weather forecasts, and I think it is time we looked to providing a proper transmitter on perhaps Mount Maria - which would reach all parts of the Islands - rather than having a transmitter down to the east end of the Island; that would perhaps solve the problem. It is not good enough in this day and age, when we have a wonderful phone system now, well sort of, and television everywhere, plus satellite television, and we cannot get our own local news in certain places. I think we must look to solving that ourselves, and look at having it controlled from Stanley. At the moment the military can pick up our local news beautifully, which is not a lot of good to them I am sure, and our own people cannot. So, perhaps we can look into that in the future.

I mentioned the Camp phone system. It is better, a whole lot better than it was, but it is not perfect, and can I mention yet again that when we refused the original Camp phones system it was agreed then that we would have an independent person look at the system

and accept it on behalf of government, after Cable and Wireless had installed it. This happened and the system was refused, Cable and Wireless then said they would upgrade it so that it would be a workable system - that happened and I would like assurance that we are going to have an independent person look at the system when it is finally in place, and advise us on whether we should accept it or not. We have paid out a lot of money and it would be a great shame if the system did not work again at the end of installation.

Fishing revenue has been mentioned in a roundabout way - namely Korea - and how unwise it was to have all of our eggs in the Korean basket. All our Loligo eggs are in the Spanish basket, so that might bear thinking about.

Regarding Baroness Hooper and Lord Montgomery - it was very nice to see them both down here. I am pleased they were able to come. I hope they have enjoyed it, and I hope Lord Montgomery now understands why perhaps people are not as friendly towards the South Atlantic Council as he thought they were. I hope it has been a useful visit for them, and it is very nice of them to take the trouble to come all this way to see us.

We have had a hospital review, for want of a better word, and that is being acted on at the moment. A new manager will be appointed to oversee all the hospital day to day running problems, which will free the doctors to do what they are supposed to be doing, and what they do very well, I believe, which is to look after the medical side of things. We always talk about the hospital, and people say the hospital needs this, and the hospital needs that. What we are really talking about is that the whole of the health care of the Falkland Islands comes under this little enclave. So although some people may think it is unwise to increase the numbers, the very fact that the way hospital administrations are run in this day and age, combined with the expectations that patients now have (which have changed over the years) means that it is necessary to increase the staff and to have a better service.

I was pleased to hear the Honourable Richard Cockwell mention Camp, and the farming situation, and that the Agriculture Department is going to take an overview, and that hopefully in three years time we will not need assistance any more. I hope he is right. What I would say is the wool prices are still at the same level as last year, in some cases I think they've been lower. Whether they will rise again in January remains to be seen - so the problems are still there, and I suspect will be there in three years time. Thus I would say on behalf of the farmers, yes, we would really like a review, sooner rather than later, of the whole situation this year, and some assistance may still be necessary.

I, also, would like to say goodbye to C BFFI. I hope one day you may return and see us, perhaps as

a visitor. Good wishes in the future for your wife BB and I hope you enjoy your short break in Ascension.

One thing that I did forget to mention and I should, my thanks, and I'm sure the thanks of the people in the Camp anyway, to BFFS, for being able to have first day television. It really is rather nice and its lovely to get up in the morning and actually find out what is happening at the beginning of the day rather than waiting until the end of the day.

Sir I support the motion.

Speech by the Honourable William Luxton

MR President, Honourable Members. I am pleased with the reaction from my colleagues as far as the Camp is concerned. There is a good deal of support, I think, for assistance to the farming community, and it was also good to hear the Chief Executive say that we are looking to start the roads on the south of the West and East in October 1998. Councillors recently discussed this at length and I think this is what we would like to see, and I hope it will be in the next years budget, and that we will insist that it does happen. I realise there might be some financial constraints, but it is also good to hear all from councillors that they do not intend to panic, and have a repeat of the situation some years ago. It is interesting to note that there are only two councillors who were on that council who are both back here, who did not panic. We have enough money in the bank to tide us over any temporary shortages, and even if the revenue drops considerably for one or two years, (which I believe it is all its likely to be) we have more than enough in reserves to continue with our planned level of expenditure.

I, too, would like to welcome Baroness Hooper to this house, and it is good to have seen her, with Lord Montgomery, and our recent Parliamentary visitors. We always try to change their minds and hope they will go away as friends. I fear we might have failed to change the mind of at least one of our recent visitors, but at least he now has a clear view of what Falkland Islanders think and feel. I do not think I have anything else to comment on, apart from to thank the Commander for all he has done for us in his year here. I am sorry it will be his last Council, no doubt he will wear that tie with pride, I hope. I wish you and your wife well, and perhaps we will see you back here one day.

Sir I support the motion.

Speech by the Honourable Mike Summers

MR President, Honourable Members. It is traditional for the last member around the table to complain about having nothing left to say but sorry to tell you... The mention of fisheries revenue and the financial problems in Korea is very apt at this stage and it is a matter that we are going to have to pay particular attention to, but I am

pleased that at least we have made some progress with the planning process, and that will give us a clearer vision to where we are going with our economy, and what resources we do have to devote to the projects that we all would like to complete in the next four or five years. So we will continue with all haste with the economic aspect of the planning process and make sure that we are clear about what we are able to devote resources to now, and what we might have to postpone. I am a great supporter of the Campers as everybody knows, and it is nice that there are at least four Westers in the Council to be able to support the Camp. I was quite amused at lunch time today to open the latest edition of the *Wool Press* and see a very black faced hairy ram that sold for £85,000 recently in the UK auction, so perhaps all is not lost, particularly around the North Arm way.

There are a number of priorities that we have been setting for ourselves in the last few days, and some of them have been mentioned around the table already, particularly completion of the immigration process, or the immigration mechanics.

I must just mention once again the importance of completing the legislation on protection of wildlife and the environment. We are entering a critical time with oil exploration, the focus will be upon us, if we do not have modern up-to-date legislation for the protection of the environment, we are open to some criticism. One other element of legislation that we have determined that we would like to see moving fairly quickly is a new harbours bill - another area in which there is going to be substantial movement and activity in the next couple of years - and we need to bring that up to date.

I am sorry that I missed some of the more exciting parts of the Baroness Hooper and Lord Montgomery visit, but unfortunately I was elsewhere, but did have the opportunity of meeting with some other Parliamentarians during my visit. I am disturbed about the way the Dependent Territories Review has been handled, it is difficult to say whose fault it is because I think the Foreign Office were rather taken by surprise by it, and it is still not exactly clear who is reviewing what, to be honest with you. But there are some generic issues to do with the Dependent Territories that will affect us and it certainly is not true to say that we will not be affected by the Dependent Territories Review. The discussions on the management of the Dependent Territories in the future, items to do with the appointment of governors, and other management matters of the Dependent Territories and most particularly constitutional status and constitutional development, could well affect the Falklands, but what we do not know is in what form the report is going to be presented, and whether we are going to have the opportunity of putting

our input into what is proposed. We did manage to extract a promise from Donald Anderson, M.P. last week that we would have the opportunity of commenting on the draft report, but there will be very little time available, so what we must do is encourage all our supporters to make sure that if they have any influence at all over the process of the Dependent Territories Review, that the message is given that we must be able to respond to any proposals that are put.

I also managed to see Bruce George who is the Chairman of the Defence Select Committee, and he made some similar remarks in respect of the Defence Review. We have been told in the past that we are not affected by the Defence Review, that is clearly not the case. Again, there are certain strategic generic issues to the Defence Review that are bound to affect us, depending on what decisions the Labour Party make, and once again we did manage to get a promise that once there was a draft to be read we would be able to see it and comment on it, and I welcome that.

I very much accept the comments the Commander made when we made our tour of Mount Pleasant the other day, that there is a real need to determine the long term future of Mount Pleasant, both for people who are managing our defence at Mount Pleasant, and for ourselves to determine what the long-term future is going to be at that site. If there is a long term plan, then more people in the private sector can look at opportunities there, but on the short term basis it is very difficult.

I also while I was away had the opportunity of going down to Peter Symonds College and looking at the facilities there, and of course most of us have seen them now, and think they are marvellous. I was given the honour of digging up the first sod for the construction of the new Falkland Lodge to which we contributed a very significant amount of money. That construction has now started and is promised to be finished within 36 weeks, so I think we look forward to a splendid new facility there.

And one final word on constitutional development, there are a number of issues that everybody is aware of that we are considering in terms of constitutional development. There will be more activity by councillors I think in their portfolio areas. We will continue to encourage more public activity in the Government of the Falklands, and I would just like to say that in this process of change there will be some tensions created, there will be some difficulties for some people. But I think we all have to accept and acknowledge that the development of the government of the Falklands is in the hands of the elected members, and they must be able to determine how it is that they want to carry the government of the Falklands forward, and I very much look forward to developing that process. Sir, I support the motion.

A Seismic Survey will commence in the area shown below on 24th December and is expected to take approximately one week.

1) Vessel Details

Name - *M V L Espoir*
Int Call sign: PFPY
LOA: 66.3 metres Beam: 10.6 metres
Draft: 5.0 metres
GRT: 1168 tonnes
NRT: 350 tonnes
Hull colour: Navy Blue
Superstructure colour: White

The area in which this survey will be conducted is bounded by the following coordinates.

North West corner	49-54 south	59-22 West
North East corner	49-54 south	59-18 West
South West corner	49-57 south	59-22 West
South East corner	49-57 south	59-18 West

The vessel will be towing a single seismic streamer, the end of the cable will be marked by a raft or buoy bearing a radar reflector and white flashing light.

The vessel while surveying will display signals in accordance with the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea, Rule 27 (b).

Securite messages will be broadcast at least twice daily at 09.30 local time and 21.30 hrs local time on HF frequency of 4066.1kHz by the seismic survey vessel.

If fishing or steaming in the vicinity of the seismic survey vessel, a good listening watch should be kept on VHF Radio channel 16.

The *MV L Espoir* should be given a wide berth by all other vessels. Note Rule 18 of the International Regulations for the prevention of Collisions at Sea.

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Speech by the Financial Secretary

IN rising to support the Motion for Adjournment I am particularly pleased that the Pensions Scheme Bill was passed today. There are many countries who would be envious of our existing and generous Retirement Benefit System and the way it is funded and protected. The introduction of another Island Wide Pension Scheme which is flexible, transferable, fully funded and properly regulated will provide opportunities for an added bonus in retirement. Although we must be concerned about the Far Eastern financial crisis I confirm that it will not result in a panic crisis here. It is important that we have healthy cash reserves and a sensible balance of investments, both local and overseas. We must be careful not to convert too much of our cash to concrete. The proper economic planning should ensure that this does not happen. We will always need cash and if we do not have the cash reserves we do not get the income, and we would not be able to use bits of road and so on to pay for our expenses.

During question time the matter of maintenance of Camp roads was raised, and I would support the suggestion of the setting up of road maintenance gangs in the Camp. It would represent economic diversification and should help to reduce the levels of subsidy that are needed at present.

Speech by the Honourable Chief Executive

MR President, Honourable Members: I too would like to thank Baroness Hooper for her time and for her intelligent interest during her visit. I am sure Ma'am that you will take back positive thoughts from your time with us.

There are one or two important issues raised by Councillors in their summing up, and I believe the one that probably was most prevalent was this business of 'don't panic, don't panic,' and I certainly share that. It is worth looking at what the total assets of Government were in 1992, between £60 and £70 million and what they now, about £140 million. And just the difference on the interest earned, or the interest earned on that difference, will almost certainly be more than any potential loss which we might suffer in any one year. So, even if there was a logic for the activities in 1992, which I do not believe there was, it certainly does not exist now in the economy we have at the moment. I look forward very much to the next Legislative Council and the sight of brickbats being fired in front of me rather than at me. I was glad too to hear of Councillor Halford's very robust approach to her portfolio within Public Works Department, and I look forward to that.

I can assure Councillor Birmingham that the Albemarle issue is actually out to tender at this moment, under the steady hand of the Environmental Planning Officer.

I believe that what Councillor Cheek said about the potential panic

illustrates to us that we are not alone in this world. They say no man is an island. I think no island is an island, in our case. We are, in this instance, at the mercy of a foreign economy which is way outside our influence, we can have no slight impact upon the Korean economy as things stand, and we are also I would suggest at the mercy of *El Niño*. We do not know what the effect of this is going to be, but it could some forecasters say have a very substantial impact, not upon the economic ability of people to come here and take squid, but upon the squid themselves. And so it emphasises, I think, our vulnerability which we have always maintained when we talk about the vulnerability of fishing and its volatility, and it brings that lesson home to all of us.

As far as Councillor Edwards contribution was concerned I would assure her I will be discussing the radio transmission situation with the Broadcasting Officer in the near future. I hope something will come out of that, but I would also advise her that this issue of having an independent person to advise us on the Cable and Wireless microwave system is somewhat inappropriate in the light of the way we contracted this particular enhancement. We have to bear in mind that we only paid for half of this enhancement - Cable and Wireless themselves paid for the other half. There is in fact no mechanism in that situation for withholding cash. The mechanism is that the performance characteristics of this system are clearly specified in the contract, and if the performance does not match that which is specified, then we have every right to get them to match it or better it. And that is a matter of fact, not a matter of subjective judgement, and we will of course ensure that those parameters are met by the new system.

I have to confess I agreed with almost everything, well, everything Councillor Luxton said, and Councillor Summers did us the honour of talking about the environment and oil and I would like to just comment on the success of the environmental forum held in Stanley yesterday chaired by Professor McIntyre, and thank the Environmental Planning Officer for the work he put in in organizing it. That is a very important forum for us, as far as oil exploration is concerned, and I think to be able to house that kind of forum with eminent people coming down is something that we should be justly proud of.

I would also like just to give a point of information to councillors by way of a signing off that the taxi drop off point legislation has been drafted and we now only await the signage before the whole thing can actually be in place, so congratulations to my learned colleague, The Attorney General.

Following a speech by the Commander British Forces, Brigadier Iain Campbell, H.E. The Governor spoke to the House

I WOULD just like to echo the warm welcome that has been extended by all members of this body to Baroness Hooper, who has been an extremely agreeable house guest, if I may say so. Also Lord Montgomery, he probably feels a bit battered and bruised, but he too was an entertaining and stimulating guest, I think, in the Falkland Islands. I suspect the members here are right in saying he went away with quite a lot of food for thought, even if it was a bit bitter in some cases. Although they have gone it would be wrong of me not to say what a pleasure it was for us all to have Major General David Pennfather and his wife down here as our special guests for Battle Day, particularly given the very long standing warm and affectionate link between the Royal Marines, and the Falkland Islands.

I would like to say formally (also personally and very warmly) farewell and thank you to you, Iain, (and BB also) for an immensely successful and important reign as Commander down here. One does sense that there has been a quickening and a greater definition and sense of purpose at MPA under your command, and that is not making invidious comparisons with predecessors, but it is something I have found very encouraging. And if it has indeed, resulted in an improvement in the morale, particularly of people who come down on short term unaccompanied tours, then I think we must all welcome that. In any case thank you very much indeed for your comradeship advice and assistance and for the continued security that you and your men and women provide for this rather far flung Dependent Territory of the United Kingdom.

May I pick up on one or two other last points. On the Dependent Territories Review I rather sympathise with Councillor Summers slight sense of mystification about what it all means, what it might mean, where it is all coming from, where it is going to. I suspect that he may actually be ahead of me in what he knows about this as he has just been in London and I have not. I am confused because there was an assurance that the Falklands and Gibraltar were explicitly excluded from the ambit of the Review, but I am now informed that the generic issues will have some implications for us. I do not think we need to be alarmed, that would be my message, because I think that the fundamentals of British policy will remain; and the fundamental thrust will remain unchanged. I have yet to see any indication to the contrary. I find it very hard to believe that there will be a reversal of the trend, in relation to the Falklands, of your taking more and more responsibility for your own affairs, indeed to the point where you have virtually all, or 99%, responsibility for your own affairs, your own budget and so on. I cannot see that being reversed. I do understand however that the magic target date of the 4th of February for the publication may not now be met, so that the Foreign

Secretary's speech at the Dependent Territories Conference, which I know some of you intend to attend, may be more in the nature of a trailer for the final Report than the occasion for unveiling the Report itself. I hope you will indeed make a contribution to the thinking which is going on in the United Kingdom in the British Government in this whole context.

My last point really is to do with Government here. May I just say, seeing this is a sort of end of year moment, I have been very impressed, with the very business-like and positive and constructive and purposeful approach of the members of this Legislative Council, both of Legislative Council and Executive Council, again no comparisons are being made with previous Council, but this is particularly a purposeful one, and I think that the people of the Falklands are in good hands with all of you in Office today. I welcome, and I think the British Government would welcome, the greater accountability that you want to take on yourselves. I think that is a very good move. I am a bit surprised you did not want to take more on yourselves earlier than this, but I welcome that you are doing it now. I note what Councillor Summers said about possible friction at times, I am sure everybody here has the Falklands people, economy and interests, most at heart and will therefore subordinate any personal feelings about this to the greater good of the Falkland Islands and its future.

And on the Korean and Far Eastern financial instability. Yes, it is a problem. I would simply like to echo and warmly applaud the remarks that have been made by people around this table today. There are no grounds for panic. We should not overreact, and to the extent that I can help in this area, I will make sure that we do not. We have got a good cushion, we have got much bigger reserves, as has been pointed out. However, we do need to suspect that this will be a spur to even greater prioritisation in our spending, and I think it is echoing the valedictory remarks of my predecessor.

I applaud the tangibly more rigorous and conservative (with a small c) approach to spending by all of you, because although we have got plenty in the bank it is amazing how quickly it could go if squandered. So I think that is an extremely responsible position you are all taking. I now declare this house adjourned.

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CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY: 8am Holy Communion, 10am Family Communion (first Sunday every month - Family Service) 7pm Evening Prayer

TABERNACLE - free church

Sunday meetings: 10am and 7pm, ARK Bookshop: Saturdays 2-4pm Minister: Mike Mitchelmore 21787

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SUNDAY: 10am (MPA 6.30pm), Week days: 9am; Sat. also 5pm

St. CUTHBERT'S (MPA)

SUN: 8am Holy Communion; 10.30am Eucharist/Morning worship: 6.30pm Holy Mass; MON: 6.30am Mass WED: 7.30pm Holy communion; 8pm Bible Study Tel: 74350

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For information on meetings please ring Tel: 21957 (evenings)

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

Location	Time	Height (m)	Time	Height (m)
FoxBay+2hr30m	SUN	1129	1.3	
RoyCove+4hrs30m		1757	0.7	
PortHoward+3hrs19m		0035	1.3	
TealInlet+3hrs30m	Sunrise	0430		
SealLionIs.+1hr15m	Sunset	2111		
PortStephens +3hrs15m				
HillCove+4hrs	22	0617	0.8	
BerkeleySound+1hr11m	MON	1237	1.3	
PortSanCarlos +2hr55m		1854	0.7	
DarwinHarbour-56m	Sunrise	0430		
Sunset		2111		
20	0413	0.8		
	1032	1.4		
SAT	1705	0.6		
	2346	1.3		
Sunrise	0429			
Sunset	2110			
23	0129	1.3		
TUE	0737	0.6		
	1351	1.2		
	1954	0.8		
Sunrise	0431			
Sunset	2111			
24				
WED	0225	1.3		
	0848	0.7		
	1503	1.2		
	2052	0.8		
Sunrise	0431			
Sunset	2112			
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	0317	1.4		
	0942	0.6		
	1605	1.3		
	2142	0.8		
Sunrise	0432			
Sunset	2112			
26	0401	1.4		
FRI	1027	0.5		
	1656	1.3		
	2226	0.8		
Sunrise	0433			
Sunset	2112			

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Monday/Thursday

2.30pm - 4.30pm

Wednesday

1.30 - 3.30pm

Tuesday/Friday

3.00pm - 5.00pm

MUSEUM

Tuesday - Friday

10.30 - 12 noon/2.00 - 4.00pm

Sunday

10.00 - 12 noon

TREASURY

Monday - Friday

8am - 12 noon/ 1.15 - 3.00pm

Your BFBS Television programmes from 20/12/97 - 9/1/98

SATURDAY 20TH DECEMBER

9.00 TITCH
9.10 WOLVES, WITCHES AND GIANTS
9.25 NEIL'S ART ATTACK SCRAPBOOK
9.45 OUT OF SIGHT
10.15 LIVE AND KICKING
1.15 GRANDSTAND
6.15 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.25 TOP OF THE POPS
6.55 BEST FRIENDS
7.05 WHEEL OF FORTUNE
7.30 DAD
8.00 NOEL'S HOUSEPARTY
8.50 CASUALTY
9.40 HAVE I GOT NEWS FOR YOU
10.10 TOUCHING EVIL
11.05 ALL RISE FOR JULIAN CLARY
11.35 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
11.55 FOUL PLAY
12.45 MATCH OF THE DAY

SUNDAY 21ST DECEMBER

9.20 MATCH OF THE DAY
10.30 DEAR MR BARKER
10.45 CLARISSA EXPLAINS IT ALL
11.10 BLUE PETER
11.35 WISE UP
12.05 SONGS OF PRAISE
12.40 THE WHITBREAD: THE WORLD'S GREATEST OCEAN RACE
1.10 THE CHART SHOW
2.00 NEWS
2.05 BROOKSIDE
3.15 THIS IS YOUR LIFE
3.45 CARTOON TIME
3.55 JOBS FOR THE BOYS
5.00 FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP
6.50 ANIMAL PEOPLE
7.20 BLIND DATE
8.15 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
8.25 HEARTBEAT
9.20 FILM: UNDER SIEGE (1992,15)
10.55 JACK DEE'S SUNDAY SERVICE
11.20 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
11.35 RUGBY EXPRESS
12.25 TOTP 2

MONDAY 22ND DECEMBER

7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS
10.00 TELETUBBIES

10.25 THE SILVER BRUMBY (New)
10.50 CHUCKLEVISION (Repeat)
11.10 PRINCE OF ATLANTIS
11.30 NEWS HEADLINES AND BFBS WEATHER
11.35 THE ANTIQUES INSPECTORS (New)
12.20 WINGS OVER BRITAIN (New)
12.45 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE (New)
1.10 THE RIDDLERS Followed by BFBS Weather
1.30 NEWS
1.55 NEIGHBOURS
2.15 NAME THAT TUNE
2.45 HOLIDAY
3.15 COUNTDOWN
3.40 ROOM 785
3.50 FUN HOUSE
4.20 RECORD BREAKERS
4.45 THE ESSENTIAL GUIDE TO AN ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS
5.10 A QUESTION OF SPORT
5.40 TOP GEAR
6.10 EMMERDALE
6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.55 CORONATION STREET
7.45 THE BILL Hitting the Nerve
8.10 THE COOK REPORT
8.35 BLOOMIN' MARVELOUS
9.05 SOLDIER, SOLDIER
10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
10.30 CLIVE ANDERSON ALL TALK
11.00 CRIMELINE
11.10 FILM '97
11.40 THE RUGBY CLUB
12.20 NATIONWIDE FOOTBALL LEAGUE EXTRA

TUESDAY 23RD DECEMBER

7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS HEADLINES
10.00 TELETUBBIES
10.25 THE SILVER BRUMBY
10.50 CHUCKLEVISION
11.10 PRINCE OF ATLANTIS
11.30 NEWS HEADLINES AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
11.35 THE ANTIQUES INSPECTORS
12.20 WINGS OVER BRITAIN
12.45 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
1.10 THE SLOW NORRIS
1.30 NEWS
1.50 NEIGHBOURS
2.15 FOOD AND DRINK

2.45 VANESSA
3.10 COUNTDOWN
3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with JAY'S WORLD
3.45 KIPPER
3.55 ART ATTACK CHRISTMAS CRACKER
4.25 BLUE PETER
4.50 THE BIG BREAK CHRISTMAS SHOW
5.20 ANIMAL HOSPITAL
5.50 EMMERDALE
6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
6.55 SCENE HERE REVIEW OF THE YEAR
7.25 CORONATION STREET
8.15 EASTENDERS
8.45 PANTOLAND
9.10 AN AUDIENCE WITH ELTON JOHN
10.25 FILM: SOMMERSBY (1993,15)
12.15 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
12.25 TARTAN EXTRA
CHRISTMAS EVE - WEDNESDAY 24TH DECEMBER
7.30 TELETUBBIES
7.55 THE SILVER BRUMBY
8.20 CHUCKLEVISION (Repeat)
8.40 SNOW WHITE - A WOLVES, WITCHES & GIANTS SPECIAL
8.50 THE WISH THAT CHANGED CHRISTMAS
9.15 THE LITTLEST PET SHOP
9.40 PRINCE OF ATLANTIS
10.00 FILM: TODANCE WITH THE WHITE DOG (1993, U)
11.25 THE ANTIQUES INSPECTORS
12.10 WINGS OVER BRITAIN
12.35 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
1.00 JOY TO THE WORLD
2.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER
2.10 THE CLOTHES SHOW
2.45 COUNTDOWN
3.10 ROOM 785 Starting with THE ENCHANTED LANDS
3.20 CONAN THE ADVENTURER
3.45 SNOW WHITE - A WOLVES, WITCHES & GIANTS SPECIAL
3.55 HOW 2
4.15 SMART
4.40 A QUESTION OF SPORT
5.10 EMMERDALE
6.00 AIRPORT
6.30 EASTENDERS
7.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
7.15 BALLYKISSANGEL
8.30 EASTENDERS

Your BFBS Television programmes (cont.)

9.00 FILM: THE FUGITIVE (1993.15)
 11.00 DES O'CONNOR TONIGHT
 11.55 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 12.15 MIDNIGHT MASS FROM SALISBURY CATHEDRAL
CHRISTMAS DAY - THURSDAY 25TH DECEMBER
 7.30 SANTA'S FIRST CHRISTMAS
 7.55 THE BEARS WHO SAVED CHRISTMAS
 8.20 NODDY
 8.50 CARTOON TIME
 9.00 SOOTY CHRISTMAS SPECIAL
 9.15 SMASH HITS POLL WINNERS' PARTY
 10.35 BLUE PETER
 11.05 CHRISTMAS AT THE CASTLE
 12.05 THE MASK
 12.25 THE SIMPSONS
 12.50 ALL THE BEST FOR CHRISTMAS
 1.40 EMMERDALE
 2.10 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 2.15 FILM: FREE WILLY (1993.U)
 4.00 HM THE QUEEN
 4.10 NOEL'S CHRISTMAS PRESENTS
 5.10 FILM: THE FLINTSTONES (1994)
 6.30 ANIMAL HOSPITAL
 7.00 AUNTIE'S NEW FESTIVE BLOOMERS
 7.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 7.50 CONLEY'S CRAZY CHRISTMAS
 8.45 FILM: SPEED (1994.15)
 10.45 HARRY ENFIELD AND CHRISTMAS CHUMS
 11.25 CHRIS DE BURGH IN CONCERT
 12.25 NEWS
 12.35 ALL RISE FOR JULIAN CLARY CHRISTMAS BOXING DAY - FRIDAY 26TH DECEMBER
 7.30 POTAMUS PARK
 7.40 ZZZAP! CHRISTMAS ANNUALS
 7.50 THE LITTLE DRUMMER BOY
 8.15 OLD BEAR'S CHRISTMAS SPECIAL
 8.50 TO ME TO YOU
 9.15 GET YOUR OWN BACK
 9.40 FATHER CHRISTMAS
 10.10 UGLY DUCKLING
 11.30 THE WIZARD OF OZ ON ICE
 12.20 THE NATURAL WORLD
 1.10 EMMERDALE
 2.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 2.10 TOP OF THE POPS
 3.15 FILM: BACK TO THE FUTURE PART III (1990.PG)
 5.20 THE SNOWMAN
 5.50 FINAL SCORE
 6.10 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 6.20 CORONATION STREET
 6.45 FILM: THE MASK (1994)
 8.15 EASTENDERS
 8.45 ONE FOOT IN THE GRAVE
 9.55 MEN BEHAVING BADLY
 10.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 10.55 THEY THINK IT'S ALL OVER
 11.30 FILM: IN THE COMPANY OF DARKNESS (1992.15)
SATURDAY 27TH DECEMBER
 9.00 ZZZAP! CHRISTMAS ANNUAL
 9.10 WOLVES, WITCHES AND GIANTS
 9.25 THE DEMON HEADMASTER TAKES OVER TV
 10.15 ALMOST LIVE, DEFINITELY KICKING
 12.15 PETER AND THE WOLF
 12.45 THE TWO RONNIES AT CHRISTMAS
 1.30 TOP GEAR
 2.00 MERRY CHRISTMAS MR BEAN (Repeat)
 2.25 NEWS
 2.30 JIM DAVIDSON'S CHRISTMAS GENERATION GAME
 3.30 CHRISTMAS COMEDY CLASSIC: ARE YOU BEING SERVED
 4.00 THE ROYAL VARIETY PERFORMANCE
 6.15 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 6.25 BLANKETY BLANK
 7.00 FILM: HOME ALONE II (1992, PG)
 8.55 CASUALTY
 9.50 SHOOTING STARS CHRISTMAS
 10.20 TOUCHING EVIL
 11.15 THE MRS MERTON CHRISTMAS SHOW
 11.45 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 12.05 THE POLICE IN CONCERT
SUNDAY 28TH DECEMBER
 9.00 ZZZAP! CHRISTMAS ANNUAL
 9.10 THE TREACLE PEOPLE'S CHRISTMAS
 9.25 DEAR MR BARKER
 9.40 NEIL'S ART ATTACK SCRAPBOOK
 10.05 RECORD BREAKERS
 10.30 WISE UP
 10.55 SONGS OF PRAISE: THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO CLIFF
 11.40 TWO FAT LADIES' CHRISTMAS
 12.10 THE WORLD'S STRONGEST MAN
 12.40 THE WHITBREAD: THE WORLD'S GREATEST OCEAN RACE
 1.10 PAUL MCCARTNEY'S STANDING STONE: THE DOCUMENTARY
 2.00 NEWS
 2.05 BROOKSIDE
 3.15 MEMORIES OF DIANA
 4.00 JOBS FOR THE BOYS
 5.00 BLIND DATE
 6.00 FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP
 7.50 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 8.05 HEARTBEAT
 9.00 THE VICAR OF DIBLEY

9.40 FILM: TERMINATOR II: JUDGEMENT DAY (1991.15)
 12.00 JACK DEE'S SUNDAY SERVICE
MONDAY 29TH DECEMBER
 9.00 TELETUBBIES
 9.25 THE SILVER BRUMBY
 9.50 CHUCKLEVISION (Repeat)
 10.10 KABLAM! (New)
 10.35 PRINCE OF ATLANTIS
 11.00 THE WORLD'S STRONGEST MAN
 11.30 NEWS HEADLINES AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 11.35 THE ANTIQUES INSPECTORS
 12.20 WINGS OVER BRITAIN
 12.45 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
 1.10 THE SINGING KETTLE NEWS
 1.20 THE RIDDLERS Followed by BFBS WEATHER
 1.30 NEWS
 1.40 CARTOON TIME
 1.50 NEIGHBOURS
 2.15 NAME THAT TUNE
 2.40 HOLIDAY
 3.10 LAND OF THE LION
 3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 3.45 THE PARKIES
 3.55 THE ADVENTURES OF PADDINGTON BEAR
 4.05 FUN HOUSE
 4.30 NO SWEAT SPECIAL
 4.55 SPICE GIRLS ON TOP OF THE POPS
 5.25 THE GREAT ANTIQUES HUNT CHRISTMAS SPECIAL
 6.10 999 LIFESAVERS
 6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 6.55 CORONATION STREET
 7.20 BIG BREAK CHRISTMAS SPECIAL
 7.50 CASUALTY
 9.05 BLOOMIN' MARVELLOUS
 9.35 THE WOMAN IN WHITE
 10.45 NEWS
 11.15 THE FREDDIE STARR SHOW
 12.05 NATIONWIDE FOOTBALL LEAGUE EXTRA
TUESDAY 30TH DECEMBER
 9.00 TELETUBBIES
 9.25 THE SILVER BRUMBY
 9.50 CHUCKLEVISION (Repeat)
 10.10 KABLAM!
 10.35 PRINCE OF ATLANTIS
 11.00 THE WORLD'S STRONGEST MAN
 11.30 NEWS HEADLINES AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 11.35 THE ANTIQUES INSPECTORS
 12.20 WINGS OVER BRITAIN
 12.45 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
 1.10 THE SINGING KETTLE NEWS
 1.20 WIZADORA Followed by BFBS WEATHER
 1.30 NEWS
 1.50 NEIGHBOURS
 2.15 FOOD AND DRINK
 2.45 VANESSA
 3.10 LAND OF THE LION
 3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with JAY'S WORLD
 3.45 KIPPER
 3.55 SOOTY & CO
 4.15 DENNIS THE MENACE
 4.40 BLUE PETER REVIEW OF THE YEAR
 5.10 ANIMAL SANCTUARY
 5.40 LAST OF THE SUMMER WINE
 6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 6.55 SCENE HERE REVIEW OF THE YEAR
 7.25 EASTENDERS
 7.55 THE DETECTIVES
 8.45 PANTOLAND
 9.10 THE WOMAN IN WHITE
 10.15 WHOSE LINE IS IT ANYWAY
 10.40 NEWS
 11.10 MERRY MIND THE BUZZCOCKS
 11.50 FILMS OF THE YEAR
 12.40 TARTAN EXTRA
NEW YEAR'S EVE - WEDNESDAY 31ST DECEMBER
 9.00 TELETUBBIES
 9.25 THE SILVER BRUMBY
 9.50 GARFIELD AND FRIENDS
 10.10 KABLAM!
 10.35 PRINCE OF ATLANTIS
 11.00 THE WORLD'S STRONGEST MAN
 11.30 NEWS HEADLINES AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 11.35 THE ANTIQUES INSPECTORS
 12.20 WINGS OVER BRITAIN
 12.45 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
 1.10 THE SINGING KETTLE NEWS
 1.20 WIZADORA Followed by: BFBS WEATHER
 1.30 NEWS
 1.50 LAND OF THE LION
 2.15 ROOM 785 Starting with ENCHANTED LANDS
 2.25 CARTOON TIME
 2.35 SMART
 3.00 FILM: THE PRINCESS AND THE GOBLIN (1992)
 4.20 NOEL'S CHRISTMAS TOLLY ADDICTS
 4.50 REVIEW OF THE YEAR
 6.10 CORONATION STREET
 7.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 7.15 EASTENDERS
 8.10 FILM: SHADOWLANDS (1993.U)
 10.15 SPICE UP YOUR CHRISTMAS
 11.05 HALE AND PACE: 10 YEARS HARD
 12.00 THE END OF THE YEAR SHOW
 1.05 THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY

1.10 HOGMANAY
NEW YEAR'S DAY - THURSDAY 1ST JANUARY
 9.00 TELETUBBIES
 9.25 THE SILVER BRUMBY
 9.50 RUGRATS
 10.10 KABLAM!
 10.35 PRINCE OF ATLANTIS
 11.00 NEWSROUND REVIEW OF THE YEAR '97
 11.30 CARTOON TIME
 11.35 THE ANTIQUES INSPECTORS
 12.20 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
 12.50 BALLS TO AFRICA
 1.50 THE SINGING KETTLE NEWS
 2.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 2.10 COUNTDOWN
 2.35 FILM: GRUMPY OLD MEN (1993.12)
 4.15 THE CANTERVILLE GHOST
 5.35 JOANNA LUMLEY IN THE KINGDOM OF THE THUNDER DRAGON
 6.45 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 7.00 THE WORLD'S STRONGEST MAN
 8.00 AUNTIE'S NEW WINTER BLOOMERS
 8.30 BEFORE THEY WERE FAMOUS II
 9.05 FILM: TRUE LIES (1994)
 11.20 DAME EDNA KISSES IT BETTER
 12.15 NEWS
 12.30 AND FINALLY RORY BREMNER
FRIDAY 2ND JANUARY
 9.00 TELETUBBIES
 9.25 THE SILVER BRUMBY
 9.50 SOOTY & CO
 10.10 KABLAM!
 10.35 PRINCE OF ATLANTIS
 11.00 BRAMBLY HEDGE: WINTER STORY
 11.30 NEWS HEADLINES AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 11.35 THE ANTIQUES INSPECTORS
 12.20 WINGS OVER BRITAIN
 12.45 THROUGH THE KEYHOLE
 1.10 OUR HOUSE
 1.35 NEIGHBOURS
 2.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 2.15 COMEDY CLASSIC: DAD'S ARMY
 2.45 COUNTDOWN: THE GRAND FINAL
 3.20 ROOM 785 Starting with ARTHUR
 3.45 HURRICANES
 4.10 MR WYMI
 4.30 THE BLUE PETER - HAPPY NEW YEAR
 5.00 THE WARD
 5.25 FROM GRANGE HILL TO ALBERT SQUARE AND BEYOND
 6.05 GAMESMASTER
 6.30 EASTENDERS
 7.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 7.15 THE WILDLIFE SPECIALS
 8.05 DES O'CONNOR TONIGHT
 9.00 THE LOCKSMITH
 9.50 FILM: FOUR WEDDINGS AND A FUNERAL (1994.15)
 11.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 12.00 FLEETWOOD MAC - THE DANCE
SATURDAY 3RD JANUARY
 9.00 TITCH
 9.10 WOLVES, WITCHES AND GIANTS
 9.25 NEIL'S ART ATTACK SCRAPBOOK
 9.45 OUT OF SIGHT
 10.15 LIVE AND KICKING
 1.15 GRANDSTAND
 6.15 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 6.25 UNPLUGGED
 7.15 VETS SCHOOL: THE UPDATE
 7.30 A PRINCE AMONG MEN (New)
 8.00 NOEL'S HOUSEPARTY
 8.50 COLD ENOUGH FOR SNOW
 10.20 THE UNIQUE DAVE ALLEN (New)
 10.50 POND LIFE
 11.00 ALL RISE FOR JULIAN CLARY
 11.30 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 11.50 MATCH OF THE DAY
SUNDAY 4TH JANUARY
 8.15 MATCH OF THE DAY
 9.30 BREAKFAST WITH FROST
 10.30 DEAR MR BARKER
 10.45 MEN IN BLACK (New)
 11.10 BLUE PETER
 11.35 THE WHITBREAD: THE WORLD'S GREATEST OCEAN RACE
 12.05 THE CHART SHOW
 12.55 FA CUP ROUND 3
 2.50 BROOKSIDE
 5.10 FILM: BEETHOVEN'S 2ND (1993.U)
 6.30 BLIND DATE
 7.25 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 7.45 MICHAEL FLATLEY: LORD OF THE DANCE - A SOUTH BANK SHOW SPECIAL
 8.40 MIND THE BABY MR BEAN (Repeat)
 9.05 FILM: IN THE LINE OF FIRE (1993, 15)
 11.10 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 11.25 RUGBY EXPRESS
 12.15 TOTP 2
MONDAY 5TH JANUARY
 7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS
 10.00 TELETUBBIES
 10.25 GIVE US A CLUE (New)
 10.50 KILROY
 11.30 THIS MORNING Including ITN News Headlines)
 1.15 TOTS TV Followed by: BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 1.30 NEWS

BFBS Television programmes (cont)

1.50 NEIGHBOURS
 2.15 NAME THAT TUNE
 2.40 HOLIDAY
 3.10 COUNTDOWN
 3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with SPOT
 3.40 WIZADORA
 3.45 THE PARKIES
 3.50 THE ADVENTURES OF PADDINGTON BEAR
 4.00 THE SILVER BRUMBY
 4.10 THE SILVER BRUMBY
 4.35 FUN HOUSE
 5.00 GOOSEBUMPS
 5.25 HOME AND AWAY
 5.45 DICK EMERY - A LIFE ON THE BOX
 6.15 EMMERDALE
 6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 6.55 CORONATION STREET
 7.45 THE BILL Thicker than Mud
 8.10 DOVER (New)
 8.35 SPARK (New)
 9.05 SOLDIER, SOLDIER
 10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 10.30 I'M ALAN PARTRIDGE (New)
 11.00 MATCH OF THE DAY
 11.45 NOBODY DOES IT BETTER THE MUSIC OF JAMES BOND
TUESDAY 6TH JANUARY
 7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS
 10.00 TELETUBBIES
 10.25 GIVE US A CLUE
 10.50 KILROY
 11.30 THIS MORNING
 1.15 THE SLOW NORRIS Followed by BFBS WEATHER
 1.30 NEWS
 1.50 NEIGHBOURS
 2.15 READY, STEADY, COOK
 2.45 VANESSA
 3.10 COUNTDOWN
 3.35 ROOM 785
 3.45 KIPPER
 3.55 ROGER AND THE ROTTENTROLLS
 4.05 IT'L NEVER WORK (New)
 4.30 BLUE PETER
 5.00 BYKER GROVE
 5.25 HOME AND AWAY
 5.45 AUNTIE'S SPORTING BLOOMERS
 6.15 EMMERDALE
 6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 6.55 SCENE HERE
 7.25 EASTENDERS
 7.55 FULL CIRCLE WITH MICHAEL PALIN

8.45 WORLD IN ACTION
 9.10 DARK SKIES
 10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 10.30 THE COMEDY STORE
 10.55 CUTTING EDGE
 11.45 TARTAN EXTRA
WEDNESDAY 7TH JANUARY
 7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS
 10.00 TELETUBBIES
 10.25 GIVE US A CLUE
 10.50 KILROY
 11.30 THIS MORNING
 1.15 TOTS TV Followed by BFBS WEATHER
 1.30 NEWS
 1.50 NEIGHBOURS
 2.15 HOME FRONT
 2.45 THE CLOTHES SHOW
 3.10 COUNTDOWN
 3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with BANANAMAN
 4.40 THE ENCHANTED LANDS
 5.30 CONAN THE ADVENTURER
 4.15 HOW 2
 4.30 SMART
 5.00 BYKER GROVE
 5.25 HOME AND AWAY
 5.45 TW TIME MACHINE (New)
 6.15 EMMERDALE
 6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 6.55 CORONATION STREET
 7.45 THE BILL
 8.10 YOU'VE BEEN FRAMED
 8.35 CRIME BEAT
 9.05 PEAK PRACTICE
 10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 10.30 FILM: NATIONAL LAMPOON'S LOADED WEAPON 1 (1993.PG)
 11.45 MARC BOLAN - DANDY IN THE UNDERWORLD
THURSDAY 8TH JANUARY
 7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS
 10.00 TELETUBBIES
 10.25 GIVE US A CLUE
 10.50 KILROY
 11.30 THIS MORNING
 11.15 RIDDLERS Followed by BFBS WEATHER
 1.30 NEWS
 1.50 NEIGHBOURS
 2.15 THE ANTIQUES SHOW
 2.45 VANESSA
 3.10 COUNTDOWN

3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with WIZADORA
 3.45 BERNARD'S WATCH (New)
 4.00 GET YOUR OWN BACK
 4.30 BLUE PETER
 4.55 THE PHOENIX AND THE CARPET (New)
 5.25 HOME AND AWAY
 5.45 CALL MY BLUFF
 6.15 EMMERDALE
 6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 6.55 VETS IN PRACTICE (New)
 7.25 EASTENDERS
 7.55 CONFESSIONS
 8.35 STRANGE BUT TRUE (New)
 9.00 MEN BEHAVING BADLY
 9.30 HOTEL (New)
 10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 10.30 THE LAKES (New)
 11.55 LATER WITH JOOLS HOLLAND
FRIDAY 9TH JANUARY
 7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS
 10.00 TELETUBBIES
 10.25 GIVE US A CLUE
 10.50 KILROY
 11.30 THIS MORNING
 1.15 POTAMUS PARK Followed by BFBS WEATHER
 1.30 NEWS
 1.50 NEIGHBOURS
 2.15 CAT CRAZY (New)
 2.40 COMEDY CLASSIC: DAD'S ARMY
 3.10 COUNTDOWN
 3.35 ROOM 785 Starting with ARTHUR
 4.00 PRINCE OF ATLANTIS
 4.25 MR WYMI
 4.40 THE WEEK ON NEWSROUND
 5.00 THE WARD
 5.25 HOME AND AWAY
 5.45 GLADIATORS (New)
 6.40 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 6.55 SCENE HERE
 7.25 EASTENDERS
 7.50 DES O'CONNOR TONIGHT
 8.45 DANGERFIELD
 9.35 THIRD ROCK FROM THE SUN
 10.00 NEWS AND BFBS WEATHER REPORT
 10.30 CHALK
 11.00 THIEFTAKERS
 11.50 TFI FRIDAY

The up to date schedule can be found on the Teletext service of BFBS TV and also on BFBS Radio

YOUR PROGRAMMES FROM F.I.B.S.

SATURDAY December 20

6.00 News: BFBS
 6.03 Music Fill
 6.30 Children's Corner
 7.30 News and Sport from five live
 7.40 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 The Christmas jottings of Hinge & Brackett
 8.28 Rpt Weather & Flights
 8.30 Dessert Island Discs
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.20 Music Fill
 9.30 People like us (comedy) The estate Agent
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News: BFBS

SUNDAY December 21

5.00 News: BFBS
 5.03 Music fill
 5.15 Dessert Island Discs
 6.00 Music Fill
 6.30 Weather, flights, announcements
 7.00 Church Service-Cathedral
 8.00 Wet Wet Wet Album Special
 8.15 Folk Music Show with Fiona Didick
 8.30 Repeat Weather & Flights
 8.45 Folk Music Show
 9.00 News Desk
 9.28 Rpt. Weather & Flights
 9.30 Paths of Inspiration with Clive Lloyd
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News: BFBS

MONDAY December 22

10.03 Morning show - Hermina
 12.00 News and Sport: BFBS

TUESDAY December 23

10.03 Morning Show
 12.00 News and Sport: BFBS
 12.06 Music Fill
 12.15 Lunchtime announcements
 12.30 BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.17 The late afternoon show
 6.00 Country Crossroads
 6.30 Families and how to survive them
 7.00 The Goons CD collection
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.35 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Punk Fiction
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt. Weather and Flights
 9.30 Aunt Julia & the scriptwriter
 10.00 News: BFBS

TUESDAY December 23

10.03 Morning Show
 12.00 News and Sport: BFBS
 12.06 Music Fill
 12.15 Lunchtime announcements
 12.30 BFBS Programmes
 5.03 The Archers
 5.17 The late afternoon show
 5.30 News from St. Helena
 5.45 Calling the Falklands
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert - Bush
 7.30 News and Sports
 7.35 Weather, Flights, Announcements
 8.00 Annie Lennox talks about the album Diva & her career

WEDNESDAY December 24

10.03 Morning show
 12.00 News & Sport from BFBS
 12.06 News Midday
 12.09 Music Fill
 12.15 Lunchtime Announcements
 12.30 BFBS Programme
 5.02 The Archers
 5.17 The late afternoon show
 5.45 The Folk Show Rpt
 6.30 Just a minute - Christmas edition
 7.00 Divided by a common language
 7.30 News and Sport
 7.35 Weather, Flights, Annos
 8.00 Classics Hour
 9.00 News Desk from BBC
 9.28 Rpt. weather & flights
 9.30 Masquerade
 9.45 Music Fill
 10.00 News from BFBS

THURSDAY December 25

10.03 Morning Show
 12.00 News & Sport from B.F.B.S.
 12.06 News Midday
 12.09 Music Fill
 12.15 Lunchtime Announcements
 12.30 BFBS Programme
 5.02 The Archers
 5.17 The late afternoon show
 5.45 Calling the Falklands
 6.00 News Magazine
 6.30 In Concert - Jamaroquai
 7.30 News & Sport from Five live
 7.35 Weather, Flights Annos
 8.00 Announcers half hour
 8.30 Country Crossroads
 9.00 News Desk from the BBC
 9.28 Rpt. Weather and Flights
 9.30 News Magazine rpt.
 10.00 News B.F.B.S.

All programmes are subject to change. Any changes will be broadcast on FIBS

.....AND OVER TO B.F.B.S.

98.5FM
SATURDAY
 0000 News & Steve Mason
 0300 News & Sports N all
 0500 News & Me Mark Page
 0700 News & Weekend Gold
 0800 News & Breakfast Show
 1000 Sports n all
 1200 News and David Rodigan
 1400 News & Me Mark Page
 1600 News & Forces Finest
 1800 News & Rockumentary
 1900 News & David Rodigan
 2100 News & Steve Mason
 2300 News & Richard Allinson
SUNDAY
 0100 News & Something for the Weekend
 0300 News & Pressure Drop
 0400 News & Damian Watson
 0700 News & Rockumentary
 0800 News & Weekend Gold
 1000 News 7 Something for the Weekend
 1200 News & Sunday Lunchtime Live
 1400 News & Richard Allinson
 1600 News & Damian Watson
 1900 News &

Weekend Gold 2100 News & Pressure Drop
 2200 News & London Tonight
MONDAY
 0000 London tonight continued
 0100 News & In Concert
 0200 News & Rockumentary
 0300 News & Connect UK
 0500 News & Early Breakfast
 0600 News & Breakfast Show
 0900 News & Gold
 1000 News & FIBS Morning Show
 1200 News & Announcements
 1300 News & Jamie Gordon Show
 1500 News & Afternoon Show
 1600 Live from BFBS UK
 1900 News & Gold
 2100 News & Connect
 2200 News & The Rockshow
 2300 London Tonight
TUESDAY
 0100 News & Forces Finest
 0300 - 2000 As Monday
 2000 News & Steve Mason
 2200 News & London Tonight
WEDNESDAY

0100 News & John Peel
 0300 - 2000 As Monday
 2000 News & Force's Finest
 2200 News & Santa Alton's Non Stop Xmas Eve Party
THURSDAY
 0100 News & Cox & Bumfrey's Big Xmas Noise
 0300 - 1200 As Monday
 12 - 1400 News & Cox & Bumfrey's Big Xmas Noise
 14 - 1600 Connect UK
 16 - 1800 Craig Charles
 18 - 1900 Xmas Gold
 1900 News & John Lennon Special
 2200 News & JSanta Alton's Non Stop Xmas Day Party
FRIDAY
 0100 News & David Rodigan
 0300 - 1200 As Monday
 12 - 1400 Richard Allinson's Most Wanted of 1997
 14 - 1600 Connect Cyprus
 16 - 1800 Craig Charles
 18 - 1900 Boxing Day Gold
 19 - 2200 News & Friday Dance Special
 2200 News & Drum N Bass

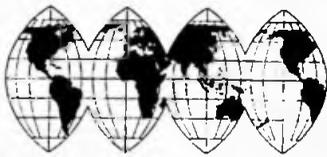


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CHRISTMAS OPENING HOURS

	<u>FOODHALL FLEETWING</u>	<u>GALLERY PASTIMES</u>	<u>HEMOCARE</u>
DECEMBER			
SUNDAY 21	9 A.M. - 5 P.M.	10 A.M. - 3 P.M.	10 A.M. - 3 P.M.
MONDAY 22	8.30 A.M. - 8 P.M.	8.30 A.M. - 6 P.M.	8.30 A.M. - 6 P.M.
TUESDAY 23	8.30 A.M. - 8 P.M.	8.30 A.M. - 6 P.M.	8.30 A.M. - 6 P.M.
WEDNESDAY 24	8.30 A.M. - 8 P.M.	8.30 A.M. - 6 P.M.	8.30 A.M. - 5 P.M.
THURSDAY 25	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
FRIDAY 26	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
SATURDAY 27	4 P.M. - 6 P.M.	CLOSED	CLOSED
SUNDAY 28	4 P.M. - 6 P.M.	CLOSED	CLOSED
MONDAY 29	9 A.M. - 5 P.M.	CLOSED	CLOSED
TUESDAY 30	8.30 A.M. - 8 P.M.	8.30 A.M. - 6 P.M.	8.30 A.M. - 5 P.M.
WEDNESDAY 31	8.30 A.M. - 8 P.M.	8.30 A.M. - 6 P.M.	8.30 A.M. - 5 P.M.
JANUARY			
THURSDAY 01	9 A.M. - 5 P.M.	CLOSED	CLOSED
FRIDAY 02	8.30 A.M. - 8 P.M.	8.30 A.M. - 6 P.M.	8.30 A.M. - 5 P.M.

The Management & Staff take this opportunity to wish all our customers a Very Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year.



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Argentina

Please note: the following extracts are translations.

LA NACION 8/12/97

Claim concerning the British embargo

The Argentine Defence Minister Jorge Dominguez will today (Monday) carry out the first official visit to London in the defence area since the Falklands war in 1982. He will meet with his British colleague George Robertson, after which there will be a press conference.

Dominguez's visit to London has as a principal aim obtaining the lifting of the arms embargo the British government has maintained in place against Argentina since the military confrontation.

This measure includes the purchase from British factories of the spare parts the Armed Forces need for numerous pieces of equipment from the country.

Argentina re-established diplomatic relations with Great Britain following negotiations with the United Kingdom, in February 1990, in Madrid.

Historic meeting

It was officially informed, Dominguez will go to this historic meeting - which precedes the visit Carlos Menem will make to the United Kingdom next year - to improve bilateral relations in the military area, within the context that both States have formed part of peace keeping missions in Cyprus.

Robertson, speaking to the press yesterday (Sunday) said that he was happy that this long awaited meeting will take place and assured that the Armed Forces of both countries, "have worked together with peace in mind in Cyprus," and recently the Endurance carried out a successful visit to Buenos Aires.

"These contracts represent a fine example of the success of diplomatic work concerning defence," added Robertson.

As far as discussing the sovereignty of the Falklands is concerned, sources in the local defence ministry told *La Nacion* that the matter is not on the agenda of matters to be discussed between both officials. "This issue will not be discussed," they assured.

Dominguez will hold a dinner at the Argentine embassy in London for British officials, for members of the House of Commons, business men and representatives of associations connected to Latin America, specifically in the defence area.

EL CRONISTA COMERCIAL 8/12/97

Dominguez will today meet the British defence minister

A little more than 15 years after the armed conflict over the sov-

ereignty of the Falklands' Defence Ministers George Robertson, from the United Kingdom and Jorge Dominguez from Argentina will today (Monday) meet in London with the intention of improving bilateral relations in the military area.

Dominguez arrived yesterday (Sunday) in the English capital city from Israel and will meet Robertson for dinner tonight (Monday) official sources informed.

Also they indicated that, "these practical meetings are a good example of the success of diplomatic work in the defence area."

The Argentine President, Carlos Menem, will visit the United Kingdom during the second half of next year, following an official invitation from the British government, who re-established diplomatic relations with Argentina in February 1990, following negotiations which took place in Madrid.

A British defence delegation recently visited Buenos Aires, to analyse the improving bilateral relations, in spite of the on-going British military arms embargo to our country, the English government recently provided vehicles which were used in peace keeping missions in Cyprus.

CLARIN 9/12/97

The English arms embargo continues

The British Defence Secretary, George Robertson, yesterday ruled out the possibility of announcing the hypothetical lifting of the arms embargo which it has maintained against Argentina since 1982 during the meeting he yesterday (Monday) held here with Defence Minister Jorge Dominguez.

The meeting had raised hopes in this respect because it was the first meeting of defence ministers from both countries since the Falklands war and following several United Nations peace-keeping missions together.

Following the meeting Dominguez told *Clarín* that the lifting of the embargo would be, "very clear political progress," and said that some British firms are interested in the embargo coming to an end, for example he mentioned the case of Rolls Royce who is interested in carrying out a "joint-venture" with Argentina.

The following is a summary of the interview this paper held with Jorge Dominguez, who was bothered by questions connected to Alfredo Yabran, the airport privatisation, and possible military pardoning, and refused to comment on them.

What was the most important part of your visit, because you did not obtain the lifting of

the embargo?

"The most important thing was the political gesture and the meeting was the result of a period. It is also important to have officially brought up the lifting of the embargo. Of course I did not expect a positive decision, during the meeting, for the issue. It has been adequately received."

Will the embargo be lifted before President Carlos Menem visits in the second half of 1998?

"It is not a matter which bothers us from an operational point of view. We are interested from a political point of view. It has absolutely nothing to do with the presidents' visit which is well above a symbolic aspect such as this."

But it is a matter which is politically important...

"The lifting of the embargo is important to Argentina from a political point of view and to many English companies who would like to participate in the sale of equipment or in high-tech programmes with Argentina."

Are British companies interested in the radar project?

"Yes, they want to be included as sub-contractors. Four groups have presented themselves. In some of the groups there is special interest with equipment which comes from England. The radar project is going ahead very well. Firms from the United States, France and Italy have shown interest. I told the British defence secretary that there are British firms interested in being sub-contractors. It is positive that they participate."

And the airport privatisation?

"I understand that there are British parties interested in participating in the privatisation of the airports, but not if it is done by decree. They consider that if that is so there is not sufficient judicial security."

LA NACION 9/12/97

London will lift the arms embargo

The arms embargo which is in place against Argentina will be gradually lifted. That is what reliable sources at the British Defence Ministry informed Argentine and British defence ministers George Robertson and Jorge Dominguez.

"That was the impression we got from the talks with Mr Robertson," Dominguez would later say. "There is the willingness to eliminate the restrictions little by little. The dialogue was very positive and lived up to our expectations."

Asked if the limitations could disappear before President Menem visits London at the end of 1998, Dominguez was cautious to mention dates but believes, "the dates

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are not long term ones."

Since 1995 the United Kingdom has maintained a policy of continual exceptions to the embargo. This was because of the affair known as "tiger operation" (Operacion Tigre), which thanks to the intervention of MI6, two destroyers built in Great Britain during the 70s and known as type 42 (one of them is the *Hercules*) and four Mekoclass frigates constructed in Germany, but with Rolls Royce-Tyne engines, were able to participate in naval exercises with the United States navy.

AMBITO FINANCIERO 11/12/97

A plane which was in the Falklands fighting crashed

A fighter plane Douglas Skyhawk A4-C of the Argentine Air Force was destroyed yesterday (Wednesday) when it fell to the ground on a farm near Villa Reynolds, but the pilot was not hurt because he was able to get out in time, the Air Force officially informed.

The head of the Air Force's office informed that the plane crashed at 9.30 am, "due to reasons which have yet to be established, when it was carrying out a training flight "ordered by a superiority."

The plane, a Douglas Skyhawk A4-C crashed in Villa Mercedes in San Luis (Province) and the pilot was not hurt because he was able to eject.

History

The Skyhawk's A4-C were incorporated into the Air Force in 1976. They were designed by Douglas at the end of the 50s, following the Korean war and in the United States they replaced the Sabre F-86. The A4-C is a subsonic plane - 870/900 kph which can only reach subsonic speeds if it descends with its nose down and at maximum velocity. Although the "bodywork" is the same, the A4-M which the Air Force acquired from the US



British press Headline stories: Dec 12 - Dec 18

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR
FRIDAY 12 DECEMBER 1997

MEETING BETWEEN THE PRIME MINISTER AND GERRY ADAMS

Apart from extravagant photos of the Queen's tears at the de-commissioning of the Royal Yacht, *Britannia*, one story dominates the front pages: the meeting between the British Prime Minister Tony Blair and Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams at Number 10 Downing Street. It acts like a prism, splitting the papers into their place in the political spectrum.

In a leader column headlined 'Adams has no business at Number 10', *The Times* says the fact that Mr Adams is now being feted as a freedom fighter - or, as *The Times* puts it, a Gaelic Nelson Mandela - is enough to sicken those who recall the carnage he has excused and encouraged. *The Times* says this can be lived with only if Mr Adams can commit his followers to settle for less than a united Ireland in the immediate future. The paper's down-market stable-mate *The Sun* brands it a stomach-churning publicity stunt. Its political editor warns Mr Adams that unless he takes some prizes back to Belfast to appease the hard-liners in his own movement, he could end up like his hero Michael Collins, the last Republican leader to visit Number 10, who was killed by an IRA assassin's bullet 75 years ago.

The Financial Times says the grandstanding Mr Adams indulged in should make ministers in Ireland and Britain uneasy, and urges them to demonstrate that talks about the future of Northern Ireland can succeed with or without Sinn Fein. In a leader entitled 'Terror in Downing Street', the *Daily Telegraph* says the demeaning encounter sent out terrible signals about the British Government. It says concessions, even of a symbolic kind, demonstrate to the ITA the validity of force. At the other end, *The Guardian* gives praise to both men for taking risks, saying the main enemy of peace now is the strange coalition of hard-liners drawn from both sides. *The Guardian* urges them to follow the example of the mother of a soldier shot by an IRA sniper. It says Rita Restorick gave Mr Adams not abuse but a Christmas card.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR
MONDAY 15 DECEMBER 1997

NORTHERN IRELAND PEACE PROCESS

Dominating the front pages is news of a possible breakthrough in the peace process in Northern Ireland. Several

papers report that David Trimble, the leader of the Ulster Unionist Party, which draws its support from the Province's Protestant majority, may hold a face-to-face meeting with Gerry Adams, the leader of Sinn Fein, the political wing of the IRA. *The Times* said such a meeting would be 'unprecedented', and follows weeks of accusations from Sinn Fein that Mr Trimble's party was not seriously engaged in the ongoing peace talks being brokered by the British and Irish governments. The move comes just a few days after Gerry Adams met the Prime Minister, Tony Blair, at his residence in Downing Street - the first such meeting for three-quarters of a century.

GEOFFREY ROBINSON

Another prominent story involves the millionaire businessman and Government Minister, Geoffrey Robinson, who is under increasing pressure to explain his links to an off-shore financial trust of which he is a potential beneficiary. The mass circulation *Sun* tabloid is not alone in noting that there is a contradiction in a Minister who introduced a scheme putting a limit on tax-free savings, whilst himself enjoying the benefits of a tax avoidance mechanism. *The Daily Telegraph* responds that the Deputy Prime Minister, John Prescott, admitted that Mr Robinson could be accused of hypocrisy - a statement which fatally weakens Mr Robinson's defence according to *The Guardian*.

WELFARE BENEFITS CUTS

Also under pressure, according to the *Independent*, is the Government's policy on plans to cut welfare payments to the disabled. The paper warns that Tony Blair's administration could be under threat from a growing band of rebels within his own party who oppose the cuts.

WORLD ECONOMIES

Finally, the *Financial Times* says that growth in the world's leading economies could be nearly one per cent lower next year as a result of financial turbulence. A report by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development says that the heaviest impact of recent market troubles will be in Asia, but that there would be knock-on effects for the whole world.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR
TUESDAY 16 DECEMBER 1997

BRITISH GOVERNMENT IMPLEMENTS BEEF BAN

The issue of beef dominates the British newspapers today. *The Times* reports that Britain has been plunged

into a new confrontation with Europe after the Agriculture Minister, Jack Cunningham, imposed a unilateral ban on imports that do not meet the safety standards required of British meat. And in spite of Dr Cunningham's confidence in the legality of the move, *The Times* says that in Brussels there are legal doubts. *The Daily Telegraph* says the Government's ban raises the fear of a new beef war. The mass circulation *Sun* tabloid, in its editorial, accuses Europe of being two-faced over meat. It says Europe is banning Britain exporting its beef, while postponing a decision on whether to bring in its own anti-BSE controls to match those in the United Kingdom. *The Sun* says Europe is more concerned with its own economic welfare, than what it describes as 'the injustice of Britain being discriminated against'.

BRITISH ECONOMY

The Guardian and the *Financial Times* carry front-page stories on a predicted weakening of the British economy next year. *The Guardian* says British Ministers are bracing themselves for economic bad news as the mounting financial crisis in Asia, higher interest rates, and the delayed impact of a strong British currency combine to produce a slowdown in growth.

IRAQ DISCUSSIONS FRUITLESS

An editorial in *The Times* looks at the latest round of talks in Baghdad over United Nations weapons inspections. There has been no resolution over the UN's demand that its inspectors have access to any suspected weapons site, and *The Times* describes more discussions yesterday as 'fruitless'. It says Saddam Hussein is at least as dangerous now as he was before his forces were routed by the Allies: he has to be convinced that at least some members of the international community have the stomach to take him on.

DIANA, PRINCESS OF WALES

Finally, the *Independent* carries a story that the death of Diana, Princess of Wales, in August was actually good for some people's health: according to psychiatric clinics, the tragedy led to a significant decrease in Britons seeking help for depression. The paper says one explanation is that the public outpouring of grief for Diana helped people release their own deeply buried emotions.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR
WEDNESDAY 17 DECEMBER 1997

LABOUR MP ON SLEAZE CHARGE

The main stop in Wednesday's newspapers is the arrest warrant issued for the Labour Member of Parliament, Mohammed Sarwar. *The Times* says he was aware that he was going to be charged, and is expected to appear voluntarily at Glasgow Sheriff Court later today. According to the paper, Mr Sarwar triggered the Labour Government's first sleaze crisis following its election victory in May, when allegations were made that he had attempted to bribe an election rival. *The Sun* points out that Mr Sarwar, whom it describes as 'a Pakistani-born cash-and-carry tycoon' has denied any wrong-doing. But, the paper says the whole affair is a massive embarrassment to the Labour leadership, which fought the election on an anti-sleaze ticket.

STREET GANG CRIME

The front page of the *Daily Ex-*

press is dominated by the photographs of 14 teenagers, whom the paper describes as 'the new barbarians'. The youths were all members of a street gang which committed three high-profile crimes - the murder of a school headmaster, the rape of a tourist and a knife attack on the husband of one of Britain's leading law officials. *The Express* says the gang members were united by a warped sense of tribalism and an obsession with martial arts. The fact that they were so young, the paper continues, is a shocking indictment of a system which allows juveniles to roam around after dark like a pack of wild animals.

BRITISH GULF WAR VETERANS TO RETURN MEDALS

The Independent leads on a plan by some of the British veterans of the 1991 Gulf War to return the medals they were awarded. The paper describes it as the 'ultimate gesture' in their campaign for an independent inquiry into Gulf War Syndrome - a range of unexplained illnesses suffered by some veterans of the conflict. *The Independent* says the mass protest is believed to be unprecedented in the history of the British armed forces and will underline the sense of abandonment felt by many of those who have become ill since serving in the war.

BBC PRESS REVIEW FOR
THURSDAY 18 DECEMBER 1997

WELFARE STATE REFORM

Government plans to reform Britain's welfare state continue to preoccupy several newspapers. *The Times*, the *Independent*, the *Guardian* and the *Financial Times* all report that the Prime Minister, Tony Blair, has told his back-bench MPs that their parliamentary resistance to his proposals to cut benefits to single mothers won't make him change his mind. And the papers say he warned of even tougher reforms to come.

WILLIAM HAGUE NUPTIALS

The lighter side of British politics is not neglected though. The leader of the opposition Party, William Hague, is getting married on Friday and several papers carry pictures of him dealing with a friendly ambush by strippers as the couple arrived at a pre-wedding party.

WINNIE MANDELA WITHDRAWS FROM ANC ELECTION

The main foreign news story in *The Times* is a report on what it describes as the 'joy' of the African National Congress that Winnie Madekizela-Mandela has withdrawn from the contest for the party's deputy leadership. *The Times* describes a photo of Mrs Mandela embracing the successful candidate, Jacob Zuma, as her snatching a publicity victory from the jaws of certain political defeat.

KOREA

Korea's financial problems remain a big preoccupation. As voters choose a new President, the *Independent* reports that anti-foreign feeling is growing because of plummeting national self-esteem.

DUCHESS OF YORK

The Daily Mirror, *Daily Mail* and *Daily Express* say the Duchess of York, divorced ex-wife of The Queen's second son, Prince Andrew, is having tests to determine whether a lump under her arm might be cancerous.



News from South America provided by Mercopress

HMS BRAVE IN MONTEVIDEO

After a whole week of rest and recovery in Montevideo, *HMS Brave* should be back patrolling in Falklands waters by the time these lines are published. In spite of a few days of unexpected bad weather, the 250 crew, including 25 ladies, had a good time enjoying Uruguayan beer, and steaks, visiting the beaches of Montevideo, and in the evening some of the new pubs. It was also a chance to go shopping in the Christmas decorated malls and to get ready to return to routine and the windy South Atlantic.

George Coleman from Birmingham, and *HMS Brave* Leading Radio Operator was enthusiastic about his visit to Montevideo and for a very special reason. 'I'm making up in Montevideo, because I already know I'll be on duty for Xmas,' said Coleman, who nevertheless is quite proud of a recent achievement of *HMS Brave*. To celebrate the centenary of the world's first permanent Marconi Wireless & Telegraph Station in Alum Bay at the Isle of Wight, *HMS Brave* managed to successfully join in a worldwide airwaves link with Royal Navy vessels around the globe, some of the most famous ships such as *RMS Queen Mary* at California and *RMS Elizabeth II* in the Bahamas, plus other famous land wireless sites.

'It was a fascinating experience and we managed it from the Falklands,' stressed Coleman.

LAND ROVER IN BRAZIL

Land Rover Ltd., an affiliate of the British group Rover, which belongs to the German consortium Bayrische Motorenwerke, (BMW), will invest 150 million US dollars in Sao Paulo, Brazil, to set up a factory.

A spokesperson for BMW made the official announcement in Munich and added the factory is expected to begin production at the end of 1998. The goal is to produce 5,000 Land Rovers of the different models annually, which it is believed will be amply absorbed by the Brazilian market. The new factory will create 800 new jobs according to BMW headquarters.

CHILEAN COALITION WINS

The government coalition of President Eduardo Frei managed to maintain its majority in the Chamber of Deputies and the right wing parties also confirmed their strong holding in the Senate according to the final results of the Chilean legislative elections.

The coalition obtained almost 51% of votes, the opposition 37% but there was also a strong 'rejection' vote of

17.87% (non valid), that is interpreted as a general displeasure of public opinion towards government and politics in general. In the previous '93 and '96 by-elections that percentage was below 10%.

This 17.87% is actually higher since it's estimated that one million potential voters, (between the ages of 18 and 24), didn't bother to register for the polls. Also for the first time in a quarter of a century and after a political ban of 17 years, the Communist Party managed 7% of the total votes.

The Conservative parties who back or respond to former dictator Augusto Pinochet retained the sufficient votes in Senate to veto any constitutional reform. Since Chile recovered democracy in 1990, progressive parties have been campaigning strongly in favour of eliminating the significant military influence in the present Constitution.

CHINA AFTER URUGUAYAN WOOL

China promised to keep purchasing wool from Uruguay, that has become the third supplier of China behind Australia and New Zealand.

During a visit to Montevideo of a numerous delegation of Chinese businessmen and officials, Yu Fujun, CEO from the Chinese Textile Council praised the quality and versatility of Uruguayan wool, which he said 'makes it cheap compared to Australian prices.'

Yu Fujun added that the Chinese wool industry is not concerned about man made fabrics. China has become Uruguay's main client for wool and together with Hong Kong so far this year has purchased 44% of the 98,000 tons of the 97/98 wool clip.

VETO TO ARGENTINE FISHERIES BILL

The Argentine Secretary of Agriculture, Felipe Sola, anticipated that President Carlos Menem will veto several articles of the Fisheries bill that finally passed the Senate during last week.

The new bill creates the concept of individual transferable quotas, stresses the importance of conservation, establishes stricter fines for over fishing and poaching, but also creates two new bodies that dilute the authority of Sola, giving the five Patagonian provinces a share of the fishing licences revenue.

According to Mr Sola before 1997 is over the Argentine government will veto some of the powers of the new Council, and will keep the newly cre-

ated Fisheries Department under the Secretary of Agriculture and not the Ministry of Economy as established in the bill.

FOREIGN CONSULTANTS

Experts from South Africa, Canada, New Zealand and Iceland, contracted by the Argentine government to make an assessment of Argentine fisheries and fishing policies have delivered their first preliminary review.

One of the consultants, Andrew Payne from South Africa, said that Argentina faces a serious problem of hake over fishing, but also underlined that with the adequate, tough policies and close co-operation between government, industry and the vessels licensed to capture, it is possible to recover the fisheries.

'We managed it in South Africa, beginning in 1977/78 with a combination of individual and transferable quotas split among a total allowable catch,' said Mr Payne. According to Mr Payne the recovery is slow starting but once it gets moving it escalates. 'In spite of the fact that the new system is effective since it makes industry and fishing vessels more responsible and aware of the importance of conservation, a constant monitoring of catches is still essential,' indicated Payne.

FIGHTER PLANES FOR ARGENTINA

The first five of 36 fighter bombers purchased by the Argentine Air Force from the US Navy will be arriving in Argentina this week. The A4-AR Fightinghawks refurbished in one of Lockheed-Martin's main plants in California will be flying to El Palomar base accompanied by a Hercules C-130 and an F-28 with stops in Mexico, Panama, Peru and Bolivia.

Another three A4-AR are expected next May, while the rest will be refurbished in the former Argentine Air Force aircraft manufacturing facilities in Cordoba that have been taken over by Lockheed-Martin.

Although the Fightinghawk is an upgrade of the Skyhawk, a fighter bomber the US began manufacturing in the seventies, the aircraft delivered to Argentina have last generation software and radar.

In December 1994 Argentina signed a 284 million US dollars agreement to purchase 36 aircraft to replace those lost fifteen years ago during the South Atlantic conflict.

DEFINITIVE XMAS FOR CUBA?

The Cuban Catholic Church expects that the government's decision to declare Christmas a holiday, will become permanent in a not too distant future. After having banned Christmas as a non working holiday for over twenty years, Fidel Castro's government following a personal request from Pope John Paul II, who will be visiting the island next January, declared December 25th 1997, an 'exceptional' festivity. In a public release the Church expresses its satisfaction with Castro's announcement and hopes that the day when all Christians world wide celebrate the birth of Jesus will become a definitive festivity in the Cuban calendar.

Castro said the 'exceptional' decision was a gesture towards the Pope and all Christians.

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OIL PRICES AT ITS LOWEST

Oil prices have dropped 27% so far this year according to US brokers in the spot market. The barrel of Brent crude reached 17.4 dollars during the second week of December '97 and is expected

to keep falling in spite of the winter in the Northern Hemisphere.

The oil exporting countries decision to increase their quotas and the prospects of Iraq joining the market with its 2 billion dollars food for oil agreement currently being discussed with the United Nations have cooled all expectations of any jump in international prices.

ARABS DISTRUSTS JAPANESE BANKS

Saudi Arabia's oil corporation has been rejecting since mid November guarantee certificates from many Japanese banks. The decision was taken by ARAMCO, Saudi Arabian Oil Co., following an increase in the risk grading for many Japanese financial institutions that are loaded with debts or non reimbursed credits. According to Japanese financial sources Aramco only makes deals with those banks that have the highest international credibility and reputation.

Given this situation and the fact that there's a 'Japan Premium' for operations with Japanese banks, Japanese companies have begun to work with foreign financial institutions.

COMMON CURRENCY AND PASSPORTS FOR MERCOSUR

Strong messages to the United States and Europe, the integration of Chile to the decision making bodies and the commitment to start working for a common currency and passport, ended the Mercosur presidential summit held in Montevideo chaired by Uruguayan President Julio Maria Sanguinetti.

Presidents' Carlos Menem of Argentina, Henrique Cardoso of Brazil, Carlos Wasmosy of Paraguay, Eduardo Frei of Chile and Hugo Banzer of Bolivia, and hosting Sanguinetti, agreed that Mercosur is ready to start talks with the United States on a Free Trade Association of the Americas next April in Chile.

The summit also agreed to accelerate the process of creating a free trade area with the European Union, and that the framework document should be ready for the Mercosur-Europe summit to be held in early 1999. Manuel Marin, vice president of the European Union, was present at the meeting held in Montevideo.

Argentine president Carlos Menem, who will be chairing July's summit in Buenos Aires, said that a common currency and passport for citizens of Mercosur is the goal for the group.

Contrary to what was expected neither Mexico nor the Andean countries were associated to Mercosur since discussions on tariffs remain unfinished.

Other important understandings were reached concerning social security rights; a common policy to identify and combat dumping from third countries; the opening of the financial and insurance markets; incentives for scientific research and to avoid the loss of talented professions.

Finally the six presidents stressed the significance of the incorporation of associate member Chile to the executive boards, and pointed out that Mercosur is in a strong position to face the international financial and stock exchange crisis that started in Asia.

'Mercosur has shown it can act rapidly and effectively when speculators attacked Brazil. We will resist any speculation as a block and have sufficient reserves and decision to do so,' said President Menem.

Navy and which are re-powered in Cordoba and the United States by Lockheed, the technology is state-of-the-art.

This fighter plane A4-C which crashed in San Luis is a superior model to the A4-B; because it can fly for longer periods (it can be refuelled in flight) and was used the first time in the war against the English in the Falklands in 1982. It was these planes and their Argentine military pilots who damaged and sank several of the British frigates and support ships.

As far as the accident is concerned, the Air Force informed yesterday of the, "immediate start of the accident investigation council, to establish the causes which caused the accident," said the press release from the Condor building (Air Force Headquarters)

LA PRENSA: 11/12/97
Falklands: The 'impasse' continues

During the recent visit of Dominguez - our defence minister - to London, the Falklands issues, according to the corresponding newsagency report, was not mentioned. This seems to be what President Menem will do at a yet undetermined future date: The serious idea of not touching upon the matter, we assume is not because of lack of willingness but because of British reserve.

The Argentine opinion has not put pressure on the government, nor has the opposition put any logs on the fire referring to the omissions: up until now, very few voices have been heard concerning the issue. The country has sought to direct the fight for the recovery of the archipelago through peaceful means, a peace which seems to exclude the diplomatic tough-talk: In that as in other areas we are victims of a past which left us isolated internationally and which is obliging us to compensate for this with extremely wise positions. In this way it seems to be a State policy, if it is correct that the Falklands are being claimed they are being claimed with a different content.

Let us see. The British argument is based on force: We inflicted a military defeat in the war theatre and another diplomatic one on the Security Council, where naturally the one that had to win was the one supported by the majority of permanent members and by the abstention of the others, given our clumsiness with which the area was prepared - or better said not prepared - the diplomacy of the Process. It is backed up by a slogan, which, even though it is refutable, does not sound bad to foreigners ears, that is the respect of the population of the Islands. It appeared like Saint George protecting the dragon of a military dictatorship which was constantly complaining to the international human rights organisations and now

against a country whose democratic credentials are still not sure.

It also seems clear the priority which concerns the Argentine people at the moment: The economic development, the modernisation of the country, the western alliance. Great Britain is much stronger than Argentine militarily as well as in the world of international relations: our diplomats must travel along a wide road to harmonise priorities, but at the same time not forget such a clear objective of our national identity such as the Falklands.

LA NACION 12/12/97
Advances in the relations with London

The recent visit to Great Britain of defence Minister Jorge Dominguez, was an extremely significant event, 16 years following the conflict between Argentines and the English in the South Atlantic. At the moment, reassured and normal the relations, strengthened by economic links, also the re-establishment of friendly contacts between the respective military chiefs and President Menem's forthcoming visit to London, it is only news if each day that goes by a new step in the mutual reconciliation between the two countries, which many factors join together, take place, in spite of the historic difference which separates them.

From the conversations Dominguez maintained with British authorities - or the close relationship with them - will stem the decision to lift the embargo against the sale of arms which London placed against our country in 1982. Leaving formalities concerning the opportunities and way of such an announcement to one side, the restriction is in full diminution and maintaining it during the last couple of years seems to have been more symbolic than anything else, which has permitted the repairing of diverse pieces originally supplied by Great Britain.

The way in which Minister Dominguez was received tacitly shows the development in the attitude towards our country. Overcoming the conflict, burying not the causes for the discrepancy but those of the offence, the greatness which the relations between the two countries are step by step reaching, comes before the inevitable time when the arms embargo will become a mere historic reference. However, the fact that the arms embargo could be revised in the middle of negotiations which are naturally being handled with the reservations imposed by diplomacy and the insinuations which are undoubtedly alive in both sides of the countries opinion sectors they are taking; fortunately, the waters have calmed and the wounds that fight caused are healing.

Also, contracts and investments of mutual benefits and commercial advantages are being voiced. At the end of the day, the purchases of military equipment

are, in a modern world, commercial transactions ruled by pragmatic interests and deeply linked to the economic activity. The volume of operations which could take place between the Argentine armed forces and some British suppliers - we apparently assume - are really limited. In reality the issue has little importance to the military but on the other hand has a determined political importance and with this in mind it should be valued and appreciated.

The disappearance of this embargo would be the equivalent of an undoubtable sign that the two countries are not enemies, even more so, they inspire mutual trust and that the supplying of certain elements has no other importance than that of convenience which stem from economic conditions agreed between the two sides.

From something which is so simple you can guess the result of the prolonged hard-work whose end can be seen: The possibility of recovering a degree of normal consideration, which is not obtained because of pure British generosity but - mainly - as a result of the generalised international guarantee achieved by Argentina in the last few years. The arms embargo has been a stage, a period defined by isolation and bitterness. Its disappearance (sic) is a notable indication that the world has changed, that the Argentines and English have changed, in both cases for the better.

THE FINANCIAL TIMES
MONDAY 15 DECEMBER 1997
Falklands explorer aims for £10m

Desire Petroleum, the company formed to explore for oil and gas off the Falkland Islands, is planning to come to Aim in February. It hopes to raise £7m-£10m, with up to £3.5m of this coming from existing shareholders whose investments are partly paid.

Colin Phipps, executive chairman, said extra funds were needed as the company and its partners were preparing to begin drilling.

The Falkland Islands are seen as among the world's last potentially large, unexplored oil provinces. Exploration was held up by Argentina's seizure of the Islands in 1982.

Desire - named after the vessel that discovered the islands in the 16th century - was one of the most successful bidders in the first licensing round held last year, securing interests in the equivalent of 30 North Sea blocks.

It has a 25 per cent interest in tranches C and D which are operated by Lasmo, the UK independent, and has 100 per cent of tranches I and L which are together equivalent to 15 North Sea blocks.

Amerada Hess, the operator on tranche A, is expected to drill the area's first well in March or April, followed by Lasmo on tranche C in May or June.

Detailed seismic work has already been done on C and D and Mr Phipps said the results were very encouraging, showing structures similar to those of large North Sea fields.

Analysis expect the company - whose flotation is being arranged by Societe Generale - to raise the funds

it needs without difficulty but say any investment would be highly speculative.

"They've got everything to prove. All there is so far is some seismic," said Alan Marshall of Robert Fleming Securities.

Considerable investment in infrastructure would also be needed, given the islands remoteness. There is also expected to be significant opposition from environmental groups.

FINANCIAL TIMES 18/12/97
Amerada Hess, Saga writedowns

Amerada Hess, the US oil company, and Saga Petroleum of Norway warned yesterday they would make big write-downs on the value of their interests in the Durward and Dauntless oil fields in the U.K. sector of the North Sea.

Saga, which has a 23.5 per cent stake in the fields said a "realistic" writedown would be in the \$50 - \$60m while Amerada Hess, with a 28 per cent share, said it would take a charge of up to \$60m in its fourth-quarter accounts. The other partners in the fields are DSM Energy, British Borneo Petroleum Syndicate and Seafield Resources.

Durward and Dauntless, which are operated by Amerada Hess, began production last August. Amerada Hess said early production information showed that reserves were probably, "toward the bottom end of the range originally anticipated." The partners said additional work would be done on the fields to increase access to what is in place.

WOOL REPORT WEEK
ENDING 12.12.97 from Falkland Islands Wool Marketing

Australia; Sales held this week in Sydney/Melbourne. Merino fleece 19 - 21 micron closed up to 1% cheaper with 22 micron and broader up to 1% dearer and 23 to 25 micron closed slightly dearer.

Crossbred types 25 to 27 closed up to 1% dearer with 28 to 32 microns unchanged.

Good general competition with Japan and western Europe main buyers. Eastern market indicator closed 1 cent lower at 698 cents. Western market indicator closed 1 cent higher at 644 cents.

New Zealand Offerings at Napier and Christchurch on Dec 11th totalled 29824 bales with 17% withdrawn at Growers reserves.

Merino fleece up to ½% cheaper with halfbred fleece types unchanged.

Crossbred types 37 micron & finer unchanged to up to 2% dearer. Western Europe, local mills and China main buyers.

The overall market indicator closed down 8 NZC at 429 cents/kilo. General

This being the last week for sale in Australia for the Christmas and New Year recess Keith and I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all our clients, both present and future for their support and we wish you all in the islands a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

The next market report will be Friday 9th January 1998.

Should you have any questions or instructions during this period please contact me either at the office or on my home telephone number: 0113 257 6065

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL

twelve months long, it was reported in UK that the shipwrecked Schinas' who sheltered in the Islands after their yacht *Maamari* capsized last year, will put to sea yet again, perhaps to venture once more into the Southern Ocean.



John Henry is definitely not well rested after a sleepless night on FIDF exercise in September October

Early October was dominated by the General Election and the publication, pre-election, of a letter written by Director of Public Works, Mike Forrest. The election, itself, held few surprises. Out went Eric Goss, Richard Stevens and Wendy Teggart (who did not stand) and in came Richard Cockwell, Jan Cheek and Lewis Clifton. Registrar General, John Rowlands mounted a comprehensive voting service with mobile polling stations visiting remote set-



The amazing, unique, mobile aquatic polling station! Pete Biggs and Mike Luxton head North to collect votes in the general election

On a lighter note the Town Hall had a busy month hosting the Kings Division Normandy Band as they presented a Last Night Of The Proms concert followed, a week later, by FIODA's interpretation of Noel Coward's *Blithe Spirit*. Local children enjoyed the arrival in the Islands of some miniature horses brought in by Ian and Susie Hansen of West Falkland

It was a quiet month for sport with dentist David Fyfe coasting home in Stanley Running Club's Fun Run in 7m 24s. Sarah Allan was the first lady in 9m 42s. Mark Flint, RAF, won the Snakes and Ladders Race, Tracy Porter taking first place in the women's event.

Jan Clarke emerged as the man to beat after the season's first Moto Cross meeting on the Traveller's Rest track.

November



Lee Clement finds a novel way to cool his overheated engine on the family day Rally to Long Island Mountain on September 13

Biggest news of the month was the appointment of a Stanley company, Stanley Services CSM, as the onshore logistic contractor for the pending oil exploration activity. Other local firms were then invited to tender to supply specific services.

Politically it was a quiet month, the main item of interest being President Menem's invitation, from the British Government, to visit Britain.

There was a mild TB scare when some 'suspicious boils' were discovered in a wild steer imported to Stanley from Keppel Island. Vet Andrew Coe was quick to reassure

United, the debt troubled owners of the Falkland Islands Company, had announced restructuring plans prior to the FIC being listed on the London Stock Exchange.

Natural phenomena news included claims that the 'ozone hole' though still immense is smaller than its peak in 1992; and much speculation on the widespread effects of El Niño.

Visitors included six Parliamentarians - five MP's and the Earl of Northesk; and the unusual, almost bizarre, Jumber Lezhava, a 58 year old Georgian who is cycling round the world and holds a number of world records to do with push-ups.

The Moody Brook Challenge saw Mark Flint race to victory in 25m 33sec. Tracy Porter predictably took the honours in the Ladies race.

Cricket and the newly formed Stanley CC went down fighting to a strong MPA team in cold, blustery conditions.

December

The year finished as it began with political visitors to the Islands high on the list of interests. Baroness Hooper proved to be charming and incisive while Lord Montgomery failed to see the Islanders' point of view.

FIG reduced the cost of Ilex licence fees in a bid to assist Korean fishing companies currently suffering a currency crisis in their country; the Falkland Islands Association hit back at the South Atlantic Council by issuing a coun-

Below: Many residents believed this was a genuine incident but it was just fast response training for Stanley's emergency services



ter memorandum urging Britain to maintain its traditional support for the Islands. The FIA also honoured Velma Malcolm for her many years of dedicated help to the Association; BFBS began broadcasting same day television programmes, and in another advance in communications Cable and Wireless' new earth station went into full operational status.

Sir Rex Hunt visited the Islands along with ex Ryder Cup Captain,



Ian Dempster at the 'Proms' in October

Bernard Gallacher; the Gurkha's won the Commando Challenge event; and the weather was as glorious as it should be for the Battle Day parade.

In soccer Stanley fell to a superbly organised *Endurance* team, while in the league newly formed Globe won three out of three to take a deserved lead.

At the Stanley Leisure Centre



Remembrance Day sentries at the Cross of Sacrifice

Open Swimming Gala, Alistair Ceballos and Debby Robson emerged as the top male and female competitors.

And, finally, the Cape Pembroke Half Marathon was won in a new course best of 2 hrs 10m by Mark Flint of the RAF, while Tracy Porter easily took the women's title in the same race.

Legislative Council - December 12, 1997

Questions for oral answer

Question No. 22 of 97 by the Honourable Mrs S Halford

NOW the majority of Civil Servants are working under the new Hay Conditions and annual increments are no more, will the Chief Executive please tell me when the performance management will be brought into being, and when will all the levels of the service first benefit from it, or not, as the case may be?

Mr President, Honourable Members. The Honourable Member may be wrong in concluding that annual increments are no more, and I believe that she may also be taking a far too remuneration focused view of performance management. I shall attempt both to explain and answer the question.

1. During June of each year the UK Industrial and Services Index will be ratcheted according to reported fact. Thus all grades given positive inflation will rise in money value terms. 2. At that time, Councillors will be given the option, well in fact the policy option will be at the time of the Budget Select Committee earlier in the year, of considering the recommendation of the officials regarding inflation.

We will be taking into account inflation here, inflation in the United Kingdom and the Industrial and Services Index in the United Kingdom. 3. At the time of decisions with individuals on the Hay Issue an undertaking was given that salaries would be reviewed on an annual basis, and the procedure above was outlined. Clearly that promise will be kept. 4. With regard to the other element of any potential increase, that is movement upwards within a grade, immediately prior to the Hay Review we had two significant problems. Firstly the system lacked discipline and secondly the vast majority of civil servants were in fact at the top of the grade already, which was a wholly unsatisfactory situation. It was agreed by Honourable Members that this progress within a grade should be linked to progress within a job. It was also agreed that the major objective of the Hay review was actually to change the culture of the civil service, from that of being administratively orientated, to being customer service orientated. And thus the prime benefit of the whole Hay process was not in fact internally focused towards civil servants, but externally focused towards the users of the services we provide, and it was proposed to achieve this, a. by having an equitable structure, which indeed we have achieved and, b. by focusing on performance in a way that would be quite

new. 6. Linkage to pay is a very small part of this. This is a management issue and salary is not the only tool that can be used management, in fact research in the UK has established that something like a 20% bonus is actually required to motivate an individual on average. And of course we're not talking about increments or anything like that. However, the question asks, when is this performance management coming in, and that is my 7th point. The process in fact starts next month with senior heads of departments, but, all have agreed to defer the linkage to pay until it is fully operational throughout the service, and that should be in the year from July 1999, to June 2000. In fact it will be paid this subsequent year because it is paid one year in arrears. 8. This does not mean there will not be enhanced remuneration for excellent performance in the intervening period. Nor does it mean that there will be any embargo of the resolution of existing anomalies. I anticipate that come next June heads of department will be making recommendations in this area. I also anticipate the process of performance management will be beginning to prove itself.

Councillor Halford

Thank you for that reply. You mentioned that future pay increases are linked to the index rises in the UK. One assumes that if that didn't rise there would be no rise here. But then you further stated that we would as a group look at it annually as well. So presumably there are two chances here of a rise per year and not one. You first indicated that it would be risen in the index in the UK, if that rose then that brings the levels up here.

Chief Executive

Mr President, Honourable Members. If I can explain that, what I said was that the actual grades will be ratcheted up as the index goes up, that doesn't mean that we necessarily follow slavishly what happens within the grades. Councillors will have the option of looking at the three variables, that is how much the grade has gone up, how much inflation here has gone up and how much inflation in the UK has gone up, and members will make recommendations based on those three aspects. To illustrate that point, for instance if the grade was ratcheted up 5% lets say, because that is what has happened in the UK, but inflation here is lets say 3% then there would be a very good rationale in actually not keeping people at that position in the grade. If they were at the bottom of the grade clearly they'd fall out of the grade, if one didn't give them 5%, but nevertheless there is no specific linkage between the grade being ratcheted

up and somebody actually getting an award, that will be a decision which is made on an annual basis by elected members.

Question No. 23 of 97 by the Honourable Mrs J L Cheek

Will the Chief Executive please report on what stage has been reached in planning for the new Police Station and Prison.

Chief Executive

Mr President, Honourable Members: The capital estimates approved by the Budget Select Committee covering the following years had the following provisions for this project. 1997/98 £25,000,000 98/99 £250,000 99/2000 £890,000 and 2000/2001 £60,000. Thus the intention was to begin the design work in the current year, however it was designated 7th in order of priority of Category 2 projects, and although initial considerations would suggest a design and build project to which police stations are particularly suited, there are two additional comments I would make. 1. The approved site to the south-west of the Power Station has also been suggested as the area in which the new administration building and the new PWD building should be located. Clearly some detailed thinking is required regarding utilities in this area, and 2. The Estimates approved by the Select Committee are regarded as guide figures only at this stage.

Councillor Cheek

I thank the Chief Executive for his answer. Obviously from his answer he will not be aware yet that Councillors have moved it somewhat higher in the priority list.

Chief Executive

Of course Mr President, I am not aware of that, and of course when that happens something else inevitably drops down the priority list.

Question No. 24 of 97 by the Honourable Mrs J L Cheek

Will the Chief Executive please give the number of people currently on the housing waiting list, and indicate who has priority and what are the criteria for allocation to others?

Mr President, Honourable Members: There are currently 52 names on the local list of applications for FIG accommodation. In addition to this there are 8 on the list of returning students/trainees overseas and an additional four who are overseas to whom government is committed to providing accommodation. Thus making a total of 64. In addition to this there are currently 6 contract posts un-

der recruitment for which no quarters have yet been identified and a further 10 for which recruitment has not yet commenced. The priority for the allocation of quarters is 1. FIG contract personnel 2. Residents with special needs, that is social cases and 3. other residents. Within the other residents category returning students/trainees are given priority and specifically to the allocation of the Murray Heights Park Homes.

Councillor Summers

President, Could the Chief Executive tell me whether he has this time got a date from the Environmental Planning Officer as to when the Housing needs analysis will be delivered for councillors to properly consider the housing requirements of the Falklands.

Chief Executive

Mr President, Honourable Members, no, I cannot provide a date at this moment in time, I know he's working on it and I will provide Honourable Members with the date at the earliest possible opportunity.

Question No. 25 of 97 by The Honourable Mrs J L Cheek

Will the Chief Executive please give the total cost to date of the services of the Hay Management Group, and any future costs to which the Falkland Islands Government are committed?

Chief Executive

Mr President, Honourable Members: The total cost to date is around £775,000. Additional requirements are solely to do with pensions and performance management issues, and the total that may well be incurred there, but we cannot be specific about that obviously because we have not yet completed negotiations about the totality of the exit path which could well be in the region of 80 to 100 thousand pounds.

Councillor Clifton

May I ask the Chief Executive does the Falkland Islands Government believe it has had value for money during this exercise?

Chief Executive

Well Mr President, Honourable Members: The Falkland Islands Government of course includes the Honourable Members here, in fact they actually dictate the policy, and the initial beginning of all this was a policy decision, however I am very happy to answer on behalf of the administration. What I believe this study has done for us: Firstly, nobody now is in fact worse off as a result of this, nor will be in the future. Secondly, We have got rid of a very major social injustice at one step, namely the unestablished have become permanent employees.

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We have dealt with the question of the pension inequities, with the question of our inequities, with the question of holiday inequities and all the other inequities that were there in the system. Thirdly, we have instituted an island wide passage scheme. Now that is not directly related to the work that Hay have done, but nevertheless all the thinking of that came out of the Hay Review. Fourthly, we have in fact now, just about in place, a fully funded flexible private sector linking pension scheme, which is a major advance on anything we had before. Fifthly, we have a fair grading structure, within which all employees are fitted. Sixthly, we have the ability to adjust within that structure according to performance and according to changes in jobs. Seventhly, we have clear linkage to an external situation as I have already explained.

There has occurred the very change of culture that we all set out to achieve in the beginning, moving from the administrative way of doing things to the customer focused way of doing things and we have of course the mechanism performance management to do that. Now this has not been an easy process, it has been open to all sorts of criticism and it has not been a cheap process, we have to admit that. The original estimate from Hay was £1,000 per head. We had some 620 positions in the civil service that have been dealt with and so that would add up, of course, to £620,000. However during the process councillors specifically requested Hay to carry out the individual one to one interviews themselves, and I'm informed that that added another £120,000 to the bill. Thus making £740,000, and additional visits have accounted for the extra £35,000 thus making a total £775,000 that I referred to earlier on in my original answer to the question. And what is left is the performance management to use Hay's term, roll-out, which I know we all look forward to.

Question No. 26 of 97 by the Honourable Mrs N Edwards

Would the Chief Executive confirm that salt bearing a label on the bags advising that it should not be used on concrete, was used to salt Stanley roads last winter?

Chief Executive

Mr President, Honourable Members. I am grateful to the Honourable Member for Camp for raising this matter, as there have been some ill founded rumours regarding this issue. I have the label. If I may read it to you. It says: Especially developed for use as a de-frosting agent for highway winter maintenance. So far so good. Contains a suitable balance of coarse

and fine particles, fine for rapid melting and slow dissolving coarse particles for continued action. Complies with British Standard 3247 1991. Then we come to, I think, the statement which may have caused the misunderstanding. Before using on concrete surfaces refer to supplier for further information. Naturally this was done and naturally the supplier confirmed that there was no problem in using this on concrete roads, as salt does not corrode concrete.

Councillor Edwards

Thank you for that, very concise answer and I can't do anything other than believe you, but I just wonder whether you have any suggestions as to why in the year 1997 which wasn't a particularly bad winter, Stanley roads suddenly decided to disintegrate in a few short months. I know there were a few cracks, and I can't discount the fact that there was a lot of salt thrown about last winter and the areas that have disintegrated mostly seem to be the places where most salt was used. Perhaps you've got an answer for that.

Chief Executive

Well, I can make some comments on that Mr President and Honourable members. One of the worst areas is cited as that opposite Beauchene Store in John Street and in fact no salt was used in that area, so it isn't always that corrosion relates to the salt. But it does seem from discussions that we have had on this topic the most fundamental cause, and there are several, I think, is actually the quality of the concrete, because when you analyse the concrete that has withstood the ravages of the weather it has clearly been laid under better quality controlled conditions and with better management of the process, and I do agree with the DPW that that does seem to be the major cause. We have reason to hope that the concrete that is being done now, and the bit I was driving past every day seemed to take a long time to do, nevertheless, it seems to have been done very thoroughly and I do believe the quality is now a lot better than it was. Lets hope these roads last us out, Honourable Member.

Councillor Edwards

I've been impressed to see that the bad bits and pieces are now being mended and with black topping and I wondered whether it would be possible, I suppose its not within the DPW's remit at the moment, but if it would be possible to black top all the roads in Stanley, on top of the cement which would probably solve all the problems in the future.

Chief Executive

Mr President, Honourable Members, that is a solution indeed, that has been considered and in one or two cases we are seriously thinking of doing that. The patches that are there are the moment are really no more than that and the serious advice is that it is not long lasting, nevertheless at the moment they do seem to be in particularly good condition, but there is one major

snag with merely tarmac over the top of even good concrete and it is the levels because it will mean that the drains are in the wrong place and that the kerbs are in the wrong place and one must pay a lot of attention to that. In certain areas in Stanley it is possible, in others it isn't.

Councillor Birmingham

I thank the Chief Executive for his answers there. Would he agree that if it says on the side of the packet before using on concrete contact the supplier, would it not seem strange the supplier then says to the person contacting them, that there is no problem.

Chief Executive

Mr President, Honourable Members. No, because the whole point of putting that was on so it wouldn't be used on structural concrete. The corrosion as car owners will know is actually on metal when salt gets at it, not concrete, and so if there is metal reinforcing in structural concrete and the salt percolates through the concrete on to the structural metal, the actual strength of that member can be affected and that apparently is the reason for the warning on the bag.

Question No. 27 of 97 by the Honourable Mrs N. Edwards

Could the Chief Executive advise us when the men employed as the flying squad will be returned to the job they were originally engaged to do, namely repairs to Camp tracks, and not maintenance work on the main road, and it feels like 1887 since we had them back there.

Chief Executive

Mr President, Honourable Members. The flying squad on West Falkland will be returning to Camp track works immediately after Christmas at the very latest. The question of them working on maintenance instead of Camp tracks was addressed by the Transport Advisory Committee at their meeting on October 31st 1997 and it was agreed then that they should carry out essential works within this time scale.

Councillor Edwards

What I would like assurance on is now that they are going to begin again on Camp tracks that there will be a continuance of that, it is sensible for them in the winter months to do maintenance work around and about, but in the summer months anyway in my opinion it is sensible for them to do repairs to the Camp tracks prior to the roads being built because a lot of these places are going to wait a great length of time for any roads, and can we be assured that they will continue this work, that it won't be just a quick programme this summer and then back to the old business of two years off doing something else. Will this be an ongoing programme every summer?

Chief Executive

Mr President, Honourable

Members: I believe it would be wrong of me to give that assurance here because this is a matter within the remit at least as far as advice is concerned of the Transport Advisory Committee. And I believe we are all aware the seriousness with which the DPW takes the advice of that committee.

Question No. 28 of 97 by the Honourable Mrs N Edwards

Would the Chief Executive advise us if it is the intention of the PWD to advertise locally for people to maintain the main roads and the Camp and would they consider employing members of the farming community part time when they are available for this purpose.

Chief Executive

Mr President, Honourable Members. All Public Works Department vacancies are advertised locally in accordance with government policy. The PWD already have a number of farmers on their road teams on East Falklands working full time, organising their farm work to suit. Part-time workers have been used on a number of occasions in the past and will no doubt be engaged in the future.

Councillor Edwards

Thank you for that answer, but it doesn't quite answer my question. Will they in future be advertising for maintenance men to repair the main roads on the West which the flying squad has been doing until now, and this is an opportunity as I see it for farmers in their spare time to a) earn a bit of money and b) be able to give a bit of service to the roads. The answer I've always had is there aren't men available when we talk about maintenance teams, and it would be nice to hear an advertisement go out to say if any farmers are available to do this work they would be welcome to do it.

Chief Executive

Mr President, Honourable Members: I think that the job comes first and the advert second. I believe what I said at the beginning was that all vacancies in the PWD are advertised locally, and in accordance with government policy, so it would be an inevitable consequence of that, that any farmers seeing the advertisement would be more than welcome to apply for the position.

Councillor Edwards

There hasn't been an advertisement for maintenance gang for the main roads. The work that has been done by the farmers has been on link roads to their properties etc., but the actual main road maintenance has been done by the flying squad on the West, I can't tell you on the East.

Chief Executive

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Motion 3 of 1997 proposed by Councillor Summers (summary of responses)

IN Motion 3 of 1997 Councillor Summers asked that, "The Legislative Council establish a Select Committee consisting of all elected members of the Council to be known as the Committee on Ethical Behaviour and Standards in Public Life, the functions of which shall be: first of all to examine and make proposals to the Council in relation to any issues and procedures it considers necessary to ensure and preserve ethical behaviour and standards in relation to the performance and discharge of their functions by members of the Council, members of the Civil Service and persons who are members of public committees, and secondly, make proposals for the modification of the Standing Rules and Orders of the Legislative Council and of General Orders for FIG employees and for the making of a code of practice for persons who are members of public committees."

The proposer, Councillor Summers spoke first saying that this was an issue raised in his by-election address approximately 14 months ago, and he was happy to be able to propose this Select Committee in the hope that it would bring the matter to "a fairly rapid

conclusion"

The purpose, he said, provides proper protection for the public, councillors, officers and members of public committees. The current rules, he said, were not adequate and not acceptable. The task for the Select Committee would be to devise a disclosure system suitable for the special circumstances of this society, so that people are protected, but not discouraged, from standing for public office or involving themselves in work on the public's behalf.

The Motion was Seconded by Councillor Sharon Halford, who said that because of the Islands being such a small community, conflicts of interest, "would at times arise," and thus felt there should be clearly defined guide lines with regard to 'declaration of interests.' She went on to say that not only was it necessary for, "the person to know that what they are doing is correct, but for members of the public to know that it is correct. There should be no grey areas." She added, "where there are rules, penalties should be imposed on those not adhering to the rules."

Councillor Lewis Clifton supported the motion saying it was a very necessary step to take, not only in terms of recent events in



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For poaching the Mero
3/4 cup of water
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1 tbs of soy sauce
1/4 tsp of powdered ginger
For the Orange Sauce
1 orange (can be substituted with approx. 1/4 cup of extra orange juice)
1 cup of unsweetened orange juice
1/2 cup of extra orange juice for mixing with cornflour
1 1/2 tbs cornflour

Method

Combine all the ingredients for poaching together in a frying pan and put on the stove to heat. While the poaching liquid is coming to the boil, cut the Mero into slices

approximately 25mm (1") thick.

When the poaching has come to the boil, place the fish into the liquid and poach for approximately 7-10 minutes, turning only once.

In a saucepan place the juice and grated rind of the orange and the unsweetened orange juice. Bring it all to the boil. While you are waiting for this liquid to boil, place the cornflour and extra 1/2 cup of juice into a shaker and mix thoroughly. Slowly stir in the cornflour and juice mixture to the hot orange juice. Stirring all the time, bring the orange sauce to the boil then simmer for a couple of minutes.

Serve the Mero on a plate with the orange sauce poured over it and garnish with a sprig of mint. Quick, simple, refreshing!

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Mr President: If the Honourable Member is asking me to create vacancies I'm not sure I can give an assurance about that, in this forum.

Councillor Summers

Does the Chief Executive accept that whilst he cannot give such assurances about creating vacancies could he assure us that he will discuss with the Public Works the possibility of creating a contract for farmers to carry out this work, under a proper government contract, and advertise that. We are all

well aware that farmers are more than capable of carrying out this work and it would have released the flying squad to do the work they are supposed to be doing.

Chief Executive

I'm sure Honourable Members are aware if they want me to have those discussions with the DPW I will be more than happy to do that and report back.

Further questions will be included in *Penguin News* - January 9, 1998

the run up to the General Election but also in terms of developing the Constitution and the political system *per se* in the Falkland Islands.

Councillor John Birmingham in rising to support the Motion noted that anyone outside the Islands listening to the programme might think that the Islands had a serious problem, saying, "I certainly don't think we do." As an example of 'doing the right thing' he referred to the Chief Executive's decision to resign as Chairman of Stanley Services. Councillor Birmingham suggested this was done because Stanley Services/CSM achieving the oil logistics contract, and the Chief Executive being Chairman of the Oil Committee.

The Chief Executive was surprised by Councillor Birmingham's comment, and replied that he never felt there was, "any ethical conflict ever in those situations," and said he would discuss it with the Honourable Member outside.

Councillor Birmingham observed that he felt there was a conflict of interest, adding that he was not alone in that belief.

The Chief Executive said that perhaps the establishment of the Committee in question would 'sort it out', but went on to say that there were some concerns regarding the wording of the Motion and wished to propose an amendment, saying he felt it would add to the quality of the Motion itself. The Chief Executive went on to say, "You will notice the Motion has two Clauses underneath it and in fact we believe that the second Clause somewhat limits the scope of the first. The Committee, it is believed, needs to look at how to achieve the objectives and it should not be pre-empted by indicating a certain methodology as how it is to be achieved; which is in fact what the second Clause does." He felt the amendment proposed should be inserted between the two Clauses, and should read, "Without restricting the Committee's ability to make any proposals it might make in pursuance of the paragraph above, the Committee should consider making proposals for..."

The Governor noted that a certain amount of work had already been devoted to the subject by the Attorney General in producing a paper on Standards in Public Life, and hoped that that work could now be included in the work of the Select Committee, so that they would not be working from "ground zero, as it were."

Councillor Summers wound up the discussion by saying he understood as the proposer of the Motion he would be Chairman of the Select Committee, and asked that all of the papers with the Chief Executive (that were submitted from members of the public when asked to react to the Attorney General's proposal) were passed on to the Committee. He also felt there should be one more, "quick round" of consultation with the public, before concluding the matter fairly speedily.

Councillor Luxton spoke to the Motion saying he also felt, "we did not have a problem," in the Islands, but it was good to ensure,



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Summary of the Executive Council Meeting - 11 December 1997

THE last ExCo meeting of the year took place in the temporary Government House offices on the morning of Thursday 11 December, with all members present except Pete King, who was otherwise engaged. As I think I mentioned in my last ExCo broadcast, the convention is that in the December ExCo, we deal with only pressing business which cannot wait until January. So our agenda was short, and this report will be correspondingly short.

Without question, the most important issue before us was the implications of the financial crisis in the Far East for our Illex fishery. Clearly the Korean fishing companies in particular are struggling, and this is bound to affect our revenue stream from fishing. We will be discussing this further to see whether there are any further prophylactic measures we should take. At this stage I simply want to say that there are no grounds for particular concern, nor should we overreact; we are fortunate in having built up a good financial cushion.

On oil, we approved some plans to make an area of hard standing near FIPASS available for the heavy material which will need to go out to the

exploratory oil rig. I should emphasise that this will not be at the expense of any of the existing users. We also agreed some expenditure on essential work to bring FIPASS up to the requisite Health & Safety standards.

In the area of infrastructure, ExCo noted that bids had been received for the construction of a much needed accommodation camp so that we can get in the workers we need to build various projects in our capital programme. We are still aiming to get this camp up by June 1998. We discussed the problems caused by the delay in releasing plots in the East Stanley project. I know this is causing frustration to people who have ordered kit houses but can't start putting them up yet, and we are seeing if there is anything Government can do to alleviate the problem. ExCo also reviewed the problem of the housing shortage in Stanley as far as contract staff are concerned. Until we can build more housing, we simply cannot bring in all the people we need with the expertise we ourselves lack.

Next, we approved a plan to acquire additional classroom space next to the Infant and Junior school to alleviate overcrowding there. It is not much use saying now that we could have avoided this rather piecemeal way of dealing with the problem if we had bitten the bullet earlier and decided to build a completely new school, with all the space we need, on a new site.

One of the Councillors raised the difficulties which a few people in camp have experienced over radio reception, and we and SSVC are looking into this.

One of the proposals flowing from the Coopers and Lybrand report was that, wherever possible, Government activities should be transferred to the private sector. Obviously if this happens, we do not want employees to find themselves unprotected in their employment contracts. ExCo therefore approved the concept of introducing "transfer of undertakings" legislation, and authorised consultation with the Chamber of Commerce, the Trade Union, and other interested bodies, before draft legislation is prepared.

While on the subject of legislation, the Attorney General showed us the first volume of a new revised edition of the *Laws of the Falkland Islands*, which is due to be published in 1998. Eventually there will be 7 volumes of this very useful compendium.

We also approved funding to upgrade the Government computer network - essential if we are to cope properly with the demands of the future.

Finally, ExCo heard that elected Councillors have accepted an invitation from the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Commons to contribute views as part of the Dependent Territories Review which has been commissioned by the British Government. Although the Falklands are excluded from the ambit of the review, certain generic issues in it are likely to have implications for the Falkland Islands, though the fundamental British commitments remain unchanged. The two Councillors who will attend the Dependent Territories Conference in London on 4 February will also attend a one day conference by the South Atlantic Council around then.

That brings me to the end of this broadcast. Since I am going to the UK for Christmas and the New Year, it only remains for me to wish you all a very happy Christmas and New Year, and I look forward to returning to the Falkland Islands in mid January.

Penguin News would like to thank HE the Governor for this summary of ExCo.

Your Christmas and New Year messages

Especially for Helen, Dave, Hannah and Abbie. Hope you all have a great Christmas and New Year. Will be thinking of you all. Lots of love always from Mum, Tony, Jax, John, Nikki and Dominic xxxxxx

Especially for Una and Dave. Hope you both have a great Christmas and New Year. Will be thinking of you. Lots of love always from Mum and Dad xxx

To all family and friends. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Love Mally, Ian and Wayne

To Johnny McLeod. Hope you have a nice white Christmas and Happy New Year. Thinking of you. Love Mal, Tosh, Wayne and Jax

To one and all. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. From Nora K Smith.

To all friends and relations. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Vi and Ronnie

To all my family and friends in Stanley and Camp. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Sorry no cards this year. Love Mary Faria.

To Lynne and Chris in Essex. Merry Christmas. Thinking of you both. All our love Amanda and Paul.

To Aunt Wendy, Pickles, Dolly and John. Merry Christmas. Have a pigs delight on us. Wish we could be with you. All our love Priscilla and Owen.

To John McLeod at Ast in Perth. Merry Christmas ole chap!! Thinking of you. Lots of love Priscilla and Owen.

To Wendy, Pickles, Dolly and John. Thinking of you all at Christmas. Love Dolly, Lewis and Marcus.

To Aunt Heather and Uncle Jonny in Wales. Thinking of you both. Hope you have an excellent Christmas. Love from Doreen, Lewis and Marcus

To Aunt Marina, Uncle Raymond, Graham, Angela and Julie-Ann. Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. Thinking of you all. Loads of love Doreen, Lewis and Marcus.

To all friends and relations. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. From Arthur and Rhoda

Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year to all friends and relatives. Ginge and Bill

To all friends and relations. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Love Mim and Colin

To all friends and relations in Camp and Stanley - A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Love Thora.

To all relations and friends. A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. With love from Jan and Len.

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Merry Christmas Nannies and Grandads. love Jake xxx

To Aunt Marina, Uncle Raymond, Graham, Angela, Julie-Ann, Aunt Heather and Uncle Jonny. Thinking of you all at Christmas. Loads of love Priscilla and Owen.



Jan, Lard, Ian and Paul wish all their relations and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mary, Shirley and Zane wish all family and friends in Stanley and the Camp a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

To all family and Friends. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year (sorry no cards this year) from Caroline, Pete, Megan and Len.

As I will not be sending Christmas cards this year, I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Susanna Binnie.

To all our family and friends in the Falklands and overseas: A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year love from Zachary, Katrina, Jason and Dylan.

To all relations and friends. Christmas and New Year greetings. From Albert and Sally.

Veronica, John, Rachael and Daniel Fowler send Seasonal greetings to all friends in Stanley, Camp and abroad.

Joan Porter wishes all family and friends a Happy Christmas and New Year

Christmas and New Year Greetings to all my relatives and friends, and thank you for the cards and good wishes. Maud Watson.

Christmas Greetings to all family and friends in the Falklands and UK. Hilary and Romeo

To all relatives and friends and everyone else wherever you are. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Les Whitney.

Christmas Period Local Services Opening Hours

The Seafish Chandlery will be open every afternoon from 1.30pm till 5.00pm including Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 22nd, 23rd and 24th December. The shop and office will close at 5.00pm on Wednesday 24 December and will not re-open until Wednesday 7th January 1998. A Merry Christmas to all our customers.

Leif's Christmas opening hours:
Wed 24 December: open 7.30am - 5am
Thurs 25, Fri 26, Sat 27, Sun 28, Mon 29 December: Closed
Tues 30 and Wed 31 Dec: Open 8am - 1pm
Thurs 1 Jan: Closed
Fri 2 Jan: Open normal hours - 7.30am - 5pm

Falkland Farmers will be closed from 5pm on Wednesday December 24 until Monday January 5

Standard Chartered Bank would like to advise all customers that the following arrangements will apply in relation to the Christmas and New Year Period.
24th December, 1997 Closed 12 Noon
25th, 26th, 29th December, 1997 Closed
30th December, 1997 Usual business hours
31st December, 1997 Closed 12 Noon
1st January 1998 Closed
During the period 22nd to 31st December 1997 operations will be restricted to counter transactions (i.e. cash, cheque payments and cash withdrawals only). Normal business hours will resume on 2nd January 1998. We take this opportunity to wish all our customers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Christmas Greetings



To all our friends throughout the Islands East and West from Maria, David and Charles Oakley.
"Thank you for your business during 1997"

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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

FORSALE

Yellow Metro City. Comes with Spares, in good running order, ideal town run around. CR250 Husqvarna in an as seen condition. Both offers to June on 21536 after 4.30pm

Fiat Uno needs attention to gear box - parts from Fiat Panda are compatible. To view, ring Paul/Alison Howe 21230 (evenings) also 3 childrens' bikes age 5-8 Phone 21230

Gateway 2000 P-120MHz Multi-media PC with Hewlett Packard Deskjet Colour Printer and 33.6 Internal Modem. Ideal for the internet. £1,200.00 ono. Sony Playstation with two joypads and 8 games £500.00

Any of the items above are ideal for a Christmas present. If interested in any of the items above please contact Ian on 21624 during weekdays after 6pm or at weekends

For sale in Sutton, Surrey Flat, fully centrally heated, comprising of 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, spacious dining/living room, modern fitted kitchen, fully carpeted and partially furnished, large loft and private garage.

Location: 3 storey block of flats off the Brighton Road in a quiet one way street across from the Devonshire Primary School, placed within 5 minutes walking distance is the Royal Marsden Cancer Research Hospital, Sutton British Rail Station and High Street Shopping Centre.

Conveniently situated between London Gatwick & Heathrow airports. 30 minutes by British Rail to London Victoria Station. 15 minutes by bus from St Helier Hospital and 20 minutes from Morden Station, Northern Line Tube. Ideally placed for access to Wimbledon and Epsom. Available March 98. Serious offers and enquiries only, to Carol Stewart-Reid Tel: 21282 Fax 21284

1 Glass door display unit £120.00 **1 Buffet unit** £250.00 **2 corner units** £70.00 each, **1 Video unit** £30.00, **1 Hi fi unit** £50.00, all in mahogany, **1 3 piece suite** pink £1,200.00, **2 Teak wardrobes** £40.00 each, **1 Teak computer desk** £40.00 **1 12 inch colour TV** £100.00, **1 Thomas the Tank Duvet cover, light shade, bed side light and chest of drawers.** £60.00 the set.

Contact Violet Clarke Tel 21685
For sale Honda CR80 Ideal first bike. Good engine. Championship winning machine £500.00
Stanley Services Ltd has for sale a Secondhand Rear Cab for a Mitsubishi L200 Double Cab Pickup. This cab is to be sold on an as seen basis and offers should reach us in writing by Tuesday 23rd December

The competition on Sunday 14 Dec was for the 1st stage 300 yards championships together with a Christmas lamb which was kindly presented by Neil Ford. Shooting over 300,500 and 600 yards. Highest possible score being 150. 1st T. McCallum 141. 2nd C McCallum 138, 3rd D Petterson 138, 4th T Petterson 137, 5th K. Aldridge 136. Competition for Sun 21 Dec will be the Christmas hamper shoot and 1st stage 500 yds championship.

Wanted - reliable but cheap off-road vehicle. Contact Benny at the YMCA (25116)

NOTICES

Cable & Wireless will be starting a trial of new opening hours for the Public Counter at the Ross Road Offices. From 2nd January 1998 the Public Counter will be open at the following times:- 08.00 - 12.00 and 13.15 - 16.30 Monday to Thursday 08.00 - 12.00 and 13.15 - 16.15 Friday The Public Counter will be closed as usual at Weekends and on Public Holidays. Phonecards will still be available out of Public Counter Hours until 10pm daily, as at present. Cable & Wireless would be pleased to receive any comments from customers on the new hours in due course.

There will be another car boot sale and barbecue at the Chartres turn off on Sunday 28 December. You will be able to buy your lunch and anything else that takes your fancy. All proceeds will go to the Fire Appeal. All are very welcome - bring all your unwanted goods for sale. All enquiries to 41006

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS COMPANY LTD has for rental the property known as 5 Crozier Place, Stanley. This property has recently been fully refurbished inside and comprises 7 offices giving in excess of 160 M2 of office space together with a kitchen and toilet facilities. Conveniently situated in Central Stanley these offices can be available fully serviced with office furniture and equipment. Interested parties should contact Roger Spink on 27600 for further details.

The Falkland Islands Company Ltd. has available for rental **Darwin House** a modern two-storey detached building, double glazed and insulated. To the ground floor there is a large reception hall, dining room, lounge bar, lounge, kitchen, utility room, conservatory and 3 toilets. There are 7 bedrooms with 2 bathrooms and a shower room. The house is set in around 40 acres with water frontage and stunning views of Mount Cantera and Mount Osborne and has been recently upgraded as a hotel. The property is fully furnished with all catering, kitchen, laundry, freezer equipment and bed linen etc. complete with the following main features: Full central heating 2 x Lister HR2 Generators 2 x Esse Sovereign Cookers. The property includes garage, power-house and storage Portacabin.

Darwin is situated 62 miles from Stanley and 25 miles from Mount Pleasant and is accessed by an all-weather road. The property is 2 miles from Goose Green. For further details or an appointment to view contact Roger Spink on 27600. Charles Darwin, the naturalist and explorer, is thought to have spent the night camped in one of the valleys which is part of the property.

Stanley Nursery School
Don't forget the Christmas Party on Monday 22nd December at the Nursery School starting at 4pm. See you there, Love Alison. P.S. Could mums or dads bring a small plate of party food. Thank you

PERSONAL



To Daddy,
Happy Birthday for the 24th old fellow. One more year and you'll need a walking stick! Lots of love Codey and J2



To Robin
Happy 50th Birthday for today, where has all the hair gone to? All my love Dianne XXX

To Amelia and Shane - Good luck for tomorrow. Here's to your future together, all our love Priscilla and Owen XXX

To all relations and friends. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year - from Leona and Keith

NOTICES

LIFESTYLES hours of business during Christmas holidays. Closed 25th Dec until 4th Jan inclusive. Normal hours from 5th Jan 98. We wish all our customers a very Happy Christmas and we look forward to being of service to you in the New Year.

There will be a service of lessons and carols in the Tabernacle on Sunday December 21st at 7.00pm, followed by mince pies and coffee. Everyone is very welcome.

STANLEY SERVICES LTD

Would Camp customers please note that all future orders for shipment on *MV Tamar*, should reach us 2 days prior to the Byron Marine cargo closing date. Thank you for your cooperation.

Baby Clinic is 9.30 - 11.30 on Mon 22nd not Tues 23rd in Day Centre. Baby Clinic Tues 30th 9.30-11.30 in the Day Centre

THE PINK SHOP

sends Christmas greetings to everyone in the Islands and looks forward to your custom in 1998.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Christmas Services at Christchurch Cathedral. Sunday, December 21st: 10.00am Christingle Service 7.00pm Nine Lessons and Carols Christmas Eve, December 24th: 11.30pm Midnight Communion. Christmas Day, December 25th: 10.00am Family Service.

Postscript from the Cathedral

The angel said to Mary, "Rejoice, you who enjoy God's favour..." The original Greek word is *charis*, from which our English words *charity* and *grace* are derived. It really means *loveliness* or *attractiveness*, and is an expression of a warm and living relationship. It means that God simply showered his blessing on her. Far from stocking her up with grace once and for all, God entered into a vibrant, ongoing relationship with her. He prepared her for the awesome task of being mother of Jesus and continued to bless her as she carried it out. In a world of uncertainty, the feast of Christmas is an anchor. Whatever is to happen in the future, God has become man. He wants us to know his Son Jesus in a warm and living relationship.

Prayer: O God, as we busy ourselves with Christmas preparations, help us to remember that the centre of Christmas is the gift of your Son to us. Amen

VACANCY

VACANCY - CLERK/TYPIST
Applications are invited by the Falkland Islands Company Ltd for the position of Clerk/Typist. This position will be based at FIPASS and is immediately available.

Duties will include general office administration.

A knowledge of administrative procedures and word processing is essential.

Applications for this position are to be submitted to the FIPASS Manager c/o Falkland Islands Company Ltd, Crozier Place

The Falkland Islands Company have the following vacancies within their Shipping Agency.

Clerk - to commence duties as early as possible in the new year. Duties of the post include typing, filing, radio operation and other general office duties. A valid driving licence and word processing skills would be an advantage. Salary is dependant on the successful applicants educational qualifications and experience.

Temporary Agent - to commence duties as early as possible in the new year. Duties of the post are numerous and applicants should be enthusiastic individuals, who have the ability to get on well with people of different nationalities and be physically fit, literate and numerate. The basic working week is 40 hours but in practice it does involve longer hours and alternate weekend work - applicants should be adaptable to meet demands. A valid driving licence is essential. Salary is negotiable. As the post is temporary, until approximately 30th June, it may suit a student just having completed University or someone taking a year out.

For further details and to arrange an interview, please contact Sheena Ross on 27631 or 27630

The Falkland Islands Company Ltd wish to interview persons for the position of Personal Assistant to the Directors in the Stanley Office.

This is a position requiring a professional office background with secretarial experience and will suit a person who is self confident and self motivated and enjoys working in a challenging, busy and friendly environment. Excellent office skills are required including comprehensive use of computers and shorthand or speed-writing. The ability to communicate well with people is essential as is a high degree of confidentiality.

If you feel you are the person who can fill this position please apply in writing with details of your background and experience to Mr Terry Spruce, Director, The Falkland Islands Company Ltd., Crozier Place, Stanley.