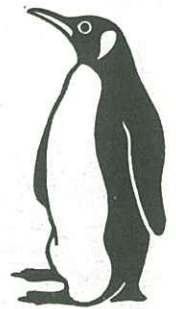


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## IT'S ALL CHANGE AS LOCALS SWEEP IN

IT WAS the Falkland Islands' biggest election and the verdict was: We want Islanders to run our country.

Of the eight candidates elected only one was born outside the Falklands and none was in the outgoing administration.

The huge turn-out reflected the enormous interest that the elections had aroused - nearly 81 per cent voted in Stanley and a staggering 93.3 per cent in Camp. Taking all the votes in both constituencies into account, the total poll was a cool 85 per cent.

The turn-out and the result also reflected the very great concern that the Islanders have over what they see as appalling waste in Government spending.

The 936 votes for the 18 candidates took five hours and five minutes to count. In the end, Harold Rowlands (386), Terry Peck (381), Gavin Short (280) and Gerrard 'Fred' Robson (262) were elected for Stanley while Bill Luxton (239), Norma Edwards (197), Ron Binnie (169) and Kevin Kilmartin (151) will represent Camp.

Kevin Kilmartin is the the only non-Islander elected and all through the count it was a neck-and-neck race between him and the local Eric Goss. In the end, Kilmartin won by just eight votes.

The Islands' only political party, Desire The Right, crashed badly at the polls. One of their candidates, Tim Miller, even losing his deposit. Mike Rendell (91) in Stanley and Ann Robertson (64) in Camp came lowest of those who did not lose their deposits in each constituency.

Two other candidates lost their £100. Dave Eynon, Stanley, recorded just 57 votes, only nine short of the 66 he needed to save his money while Fred Clark, Camp, at 17, was well short of the 31 he required.

Top scorer in terms of votes was Harold Rowlands, Stanley, with 386, that's 50 per cent of the town's total. But the highest scorer in terms of per-



Opening the first ballot box . . . Returning Officer Rex Browning with Chief Magistrate Rosie Mclroy prepare for the count

entages was Bill Luxton who collected an amazing 72.4 per cent of the votes cast in Camp.

One of Council's new boys, Gavin Short is the General Employees' Union chairman who won one of the Stanley seats. He told *Penguin News*:

"I quite overawed by the colossal weight of responsibility on my shoulders . . . all those people who believed in what I said.

"I would like to see more Falkland Islanders in top jobs.

"Basically, the qualifications they want these days put the jobs out of reach of most Islanders

"It's only a new policy that you must have these qualifications before you

apply." Terry Peck, who has served on Council previously, said: "I want to get to grips with the wastage of money.

"I find the councillors have never really got down to the problem. I hope all the elected councillors will meet with every head of department and their staff in an attempt to learn exactly what's going on and how savings can be made."

Another first-timer, Gerrard Robson, commented: "I am looking forward to it. But I suppose I am a little apprehensive."

The eight new councillors will be sworn in at a special ceremony on Monday morning.

### The full results: How you voted

HERE'S how each candidate fared. A ★ means the candidate succeeded. A ● means he lost his deposit.

#### STANLEY

JOHN CHEEK (202)  
DAVID EYNON (57) ●  
JOHN HALFORD (145)  
CHRISTEL MERCER (103)  
TIM MILLER (58) ●  
TERRY PECK (381) ★  
MIKE RENDELL (95)  
'FRED' ROBSON (262) ★  
HAROLD ROWLANDS (386) ★  
GAVIN SHORT (280) ★  
WENDY TEGGART (161)

#### CAMP

RON BINNIE (169) ★  
FRED CLARK (17) ●  
NORMA EDWARDS (197) ★  
ERIC GOSS (143)  
KEVIN KILMARTIN (151) ★  
BILL LUXTON (239) ★  
ANN ROBERTSON (64)

More election news inside and on back



# Aboard the flying polling booth

## PROVING THAT THE SKY'S THE LIMIT FOR DEMOCRACY, FALKLANDS STYLE

ALL DURING the beginning of this week teams of Electoral Officers were touring the Camp by air and by Land-Rover.

Their object: to take the ballot box to the Islands' lonely outposts and settlements - the places where the inhabitants would find it impossible to reach a conventional polling station.

This way, even the most remote-living Falkland Islander is sure of a chance to vote.

To follow the progress of democracy in action, Falklands style, *Penguin News* swung and bucketed its way round the Skies of West Falklands and the North Camp with an airborne team led by Dr Robin McIlroy and including Chief Magistrate Rosie McIlroy, Eileen Davies, Bonita Fairfield and Frazer Wallace.

Piloted by the FIGAS Chief (and only) Pilot, Andy Alsop, the plane's first calling point was Port Howard. Here Rodney Lee ran out from his waiting Land-Rover to meet Frazer and Mrs McIlroy who were left behind with their ballot box while the rest of the team moved on to Pebble Island.

The landing strip here was a beautiful silver-sandy beach. Andy firmly requested everyone not immediately involved in the proceedings to stay put. He didn't want sand in the aircraft.

Once on the ground Dr McIlroy immediately commandeered John Reid's Pebble Hotel Land-



X marks the spot in the hotel Land-Rover on the beach at Pebble Island

Rover as a polling booth. The ballot box was put in the back and seven voters lined up in the biting wind ready to do their bit for democracy.

*Penguin News* was to discover later that when no Land-Rover was immediately available voting took place either in the plane itself, making it a flying polling booth, or with the ballot box resting on the ground just beside it.

When the Islander was used, the box rested on the seat normally occupied by your reporter. So he had to get out whether he liked it or not. Luckily it was not raining.

He spent part of the time distributing *Teaberry Express* which proves how, on this democratic occasion, the British tradition of fair play really came into its own.

New Island and Carcass Island had only one voter each - Tony Chater at New Island, Rod McGill at Carcass.

There were penguins alongside the plane when it landed at New Island but when approached by your reporter they decided to carry the secrecy of the ballot to absurd lengths by disappearing down their burrows, refusing to talk even to *Penguin News*.

Later on the trip, too, it literally was a case of 'tell it to the birds' when the upland geese lining the airstrip at Dunbar waddled off disgusted on discovering the flight was only to do with politics.

The sun came out at Saunders but it made no difference to the wind and Rob Maddocks and the Pole-Evanses, whatever the colour of their politics, were certainly blue by the time their local hustings were over. At Hill Cove the Islander dropped off

Eileen Davies and Bonita Fairchild before flying on to Roy Cove, Dunbar, Carcass and Westpoint where Andy Alsop made a superb landing on what appeared to be an extremely tricky strip.

There was quite a surprise at Weddel when a motor-cyclist roared up to the plane with a gun slung over his shoulder. Hi-jacker? Political terrorist?

No, just Robert Short coming to cast his vote.

Only at Port San Carlos was there any real mix-up - and that was really a minor matter for the five families that had taken over their sections just three weeks before.

Although running half-an-hour late, plane time, the team arrived 20 minutes earlier than expected, KC time. The airstrip appeared deserted as the plane swooped in. Where was everyone?

Suddenly, there they all were as a procession of Land-Rovers and a four-wheeler streamed up the hill.

At every stop, each time the last ballot paper was placed in the box, the slot through which it had been dropped was re-sealed with a voter's signature written across the tape to verify this had been done.

The first voter at the next stop would then check the tape to ensure that it had not been tampered with.

At Stanley airport, the boxes were taken off the plane, tied and sealed again with wax before being driven into town for safe keeping - and like a Christmas present not to be opened before the Big Day.



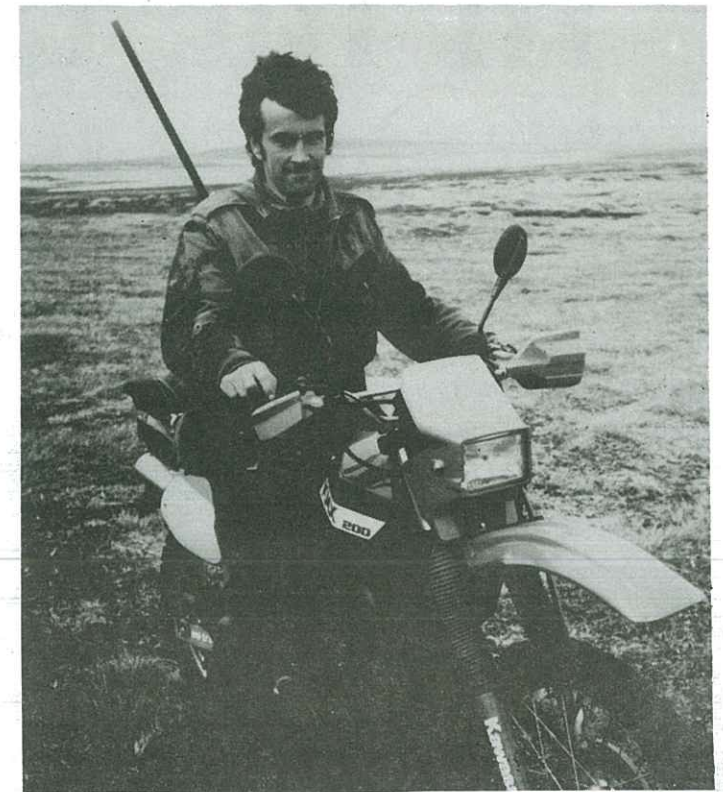
Point of no return . . . Susan Pole-Evans votes at Saunders



Tony Chater shares a joke with Dr. McIlroy on New Island



Cheerful voters at San Carlos waiting by the plane for their turn to use the ballot box



Robert Short armed for action . . . and voting



Mrs Linda Hirtle makes her choice at Golding



# In for the count

COUNTING for the Falklands mega-poll began soon after seven and lasted until after midnight

The operation was slightly delayed because a ballot box had to be brought from Goose Green.

First the postal votes were counted. Then the boxes were emptied, each one then being displayed to the 30-odd onlookers - candidates, their friends and the public in general - just to prove there really was nothing left inside.

It all smacked rather of the Paul Daniels television show.

One member of the public, Mrs Sigg Barnes, had been coming along to these occasions for some 20 years.

The tellers were Jane Cameron, Dr McIlroy, Mrs McIlroy and Candy Blackely.

It seemed quite an important social occasion as well. The Attorney General, David Lang, was there; the Chief Executive, Ronnie Sampson, showed his face for a few moments and the Chief Police Officer and his wife also made several visits.

There was a visit, too, from a Spanish television team who looked vaguely interested for a while before disappearing back into the night.

Candidates and their friends wandered in and out and many people went off to sample cans of soft drink - and stronger.

The atmosphere was relaxed but highly efficient.

To facilitate counting the tellers stopped after every 25 papers had been read out by Returning Officer Rex Browning to check that they each had the same figures.

ABOVE: Harold Rowlands who received the highest number of votes in Stanley.

RIGHT: Bill Luxton who was the favourite of the Camp candidates.



The count is under way in the Court and Council Chamber



Claudette casts her vote in the Stanley constituency

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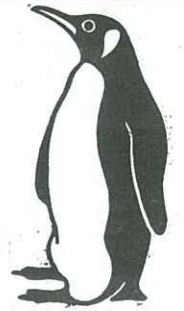
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## Exclusive from Downing Street MAGGIE AFFIRMS HER

**We are  
not  
amused**



PRETTY Margaret Butler may not look much like Queen Victoria but she certainly shares that good monarch's sense of humour when it comes to this tasteless T-shirt.

Hardly the sort of thing to win friends and influence people, it was on sale at the West Store.

Many Falkland Islanders took offence when they saw it being worn. Now *Penguin News* has bought up the last one.

But we have a problem. What to do with it? We will send a five-er to the person who sends in the best (clean) suggestion to reach the *Penguin News* by November 14.

## COMMITMENT

IN an exclusive message to *Penguin News* for the people of the Falklands, Prime Minister Mrs Margaret Thatcher reiterates her government's commitment to the people of the Islands.

Her message must come as a big boost to the newly elected councillors who have all gone on record as being totally against any links whatever with Argentina.

Mrs Thatcher writes:-

I have a deep affection for the Falkland Islands and for the loyal British people who have made their homes there; many of their families have been there for generations.

I reaffirm our commitment to the Island-

ers and your freedom to choose your way of life.

So I am delighted that *Penguin News* is starting up again. The Islanders deserve a really good local newspaper; there is certainly enough news to fill one as you move forward to a future which has been transformed by the opportunities which the fishing industry has brought.

I hope *Penguin News* will also enable many friends in Britain, and further afield, to share more closely in the life of the Islands and follow developments there. To the new venture I wish every success and to the Falklands continuing good news.

## Many townfolk are still without phones

LAST Friday Cable & Wireless claim to have connected 891 people to the new push-button telephone system.

Fitzroy, Walker Creek and Goose Green were also connected.

It was hoped to have 100 more subscribers on stream by the weekend - but this seems highly unlikely. *Penguin News*, for example, was promised connection by Wednesday afternoon. We were still not connected Friday morning.

Because of this it has been impossible to discover consumer reaction to the new system.

Certainly, there have been some hiccups. The Legal Office, for example, was receiving calls for FIGAS and the PWD. This was

because people did not understand the new Government system and were dialling the outside code for an internal call.

The Jersey Estate will be the last area to be connected. Cable & Wireless are still waiting for written permission to bore holes in the walls for the cables.

Camp will be connected through repeater stations run by batteries charged by solar power, hopefully by February.

At present there are two telephone teams working in Stanley. One is installing sets, the other sorting out teething problems like faulty connections.

Already there are plans to enlarge the system by 991.

The previous switchboard used by Cable & Wireless was designed for use in large hotels

## Camp well represented in new ExCo

BECAUSE three of the Stanley-elected councillors preferred not to stand for election to ExCo, the town will be out-voted two to one in the new assembly.

The new ExCo members are:-

Terence Peck (Stanley), Norma Edwards and William Luxton (Camp).

It is understood that Cllrs Gavin Short and Gerrard Robson considered themselves to be too new to politics to stand, while Cllr Harold Rowlands felt he had been too closely connected with ExCo on the 'official' side too recently.





## The Services Sound and Vision Corporation

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*Penguin News* regrets that for reasons outside its control it will be possible to publish only one week's television programmes in each of the next few issues. It is hoped that this situation will be put right in the New Year

### FRIDAY, November 3

- 6.00 COUNT DUCKULA New cartoon series about a vegetarian vampire duck. Became a cult in UK.
- 6.20 BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY with Sarah Kennedy.
- 6.45 INTERNATIONAL BOAT SHOW from Southampton.
- 7.30 CORONATION STREET First of the regular Friday editions
- 7.55 HORIZON First of a new series. This one is on why buildings can make you sick.
- 8.45 BROOKSIDE
- 9.30 CRACKERS Film comedy with Donald Sutherland, Jack Warden and Sean Penn

### SATURDAY, November 4

- 6.00 POP SPOT
- 6.30 NOEL EDMONDS SATURDAY ROADSHOW
- 7.15 ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL
- 8.05 RUSS ABBOT
- 8.35 MURDER SHE WROTE An idyllic weekend turns into terror.
- 9.20 FFIZZ Hugo has gone missing.
- 9.45 THE EQUALISER
- 10.30 SATURDAY MATTERS Sue Lawley meets Jane Fonda, Sir Robin Day and the Editor of *Private Eye*, Ian Hislop.

### SUNDAY, November 5

- 2.55 SPORTSNIGHT includes boxing, rugby and European Cup soccer.
- 6.00 SCARECROW AND MRS KING
- 6.45 HIGHWAY Harry Secombe visits Pitlochry.
- 7.15 EASTENDERS
- 8.10 THE HISTORYMAN Breweries and pubs.
- 8.15 BLANKETY BLANK with Les Dawson.
- 8.45 HOWARD'S WAY
- 9.35 BLIND DATE hosted by Cilla Black.
- 10.15 HALE AND PACE
- 10.40 THE WALDEN INTERVIEW

### MONDAY, November 6

- 6.00 SCOOBY DOO
- 6.20 SPORTSMASTERS
- 6.45 THE CHART SHOW Non-stop videos.
- 7.30 CORONATION STREET
- 7.55 SINCERELY, HAROLD WASHINGTON A shy young man seeks a partner through a dating agency.
- 8.05 TWIST IN THE TALE A chilling story by Ray Bradbury.

- 8.30 SOB SISTERS Comedy series.
- 8.55 THE VET Face to face with a gorilla. (Final in series)
- 9.25 HARD CASES (Final in series)
- 10.15 IN SICKNESS AND IN HEALTH Alf is terrified of the outbreak.
- 10.45 WORLD IN ACTION In-depth current affairs.

### TUESDAY, November 7

- 6.00 THE SNORKS
- 6.10 BEADLE'S ABOUT
- 6.35 THE KRYPTON FACTOR
- 7.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
- 7.30 DAD'S ARMY Bombers hit a pumping station with Godfrey and Walker inside.
- 8.00 THE BILL The C.I.D. celebrate after a vicious security van raid is foiled.
- 8.25 THE BEST OF MAGIC Last in the series.
- 9.25 CASUALTY.
- 10.05 THE YOUNG ONES Last in the series.
- 10.40 FILM '89 Barry Norman reviews *Shirley Valentine; The Cook, the Thief, His Wife and Her Lover* and *Old Gringo*.

### WEDNESDAY, November 8

- 6.00 LOST IN SPACE
- 6.50 NEWSVIEW For the week ending November 4.
- 7.30 CORONATION STREET
- 7.55 RAPIDO
- 8.20 THE HISTORYMAN Longthorne Tower.
- 8.25 CHALLENGE ANNEKA
- 9.05 'ALLO 'ALLO Confusion as both the Gestapo and the Italians dress up as British airmen.
- 9.35 CONFESSIONAL Part two of a four-part thriller.
- 10.25 THE PLANETS Venus and Mercury.

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

- 6.00 THE BODYMATTERS ROADSHOW Dr Alan Maryon Davis and Maggie Philbin brave the Common Cold unit.
- 6.30 DOCTOR WHO: Ghost Lights
- 6.55 BOB'S FULL HOUSE
- 7.30 TOP OF THE POPS
- 8.00 THE BILL An old detective can't be found.
- 8.25 TOP GEAR Motoring magazine.
- 8.55 SQUARE DEAL
- 9.20 SARACEN
- 10.10 SING COUNTRY with Bobby Bare, Earl Thomas Conley, Lorrie Morgan and Pinkerton's Colours.

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# Driver praised but then banned

AFTER complimenting Kenneth Stewart on his driving skills, Chief Magistrate Rosie McIlroy fined him £100 at Stanley on October 19 and banned him from driving for a year.

Stewart had admitted being in charge of a tipper truck in Reservoir Road on October 4, having consumed more than the prescribed amount of alcohol. Woman Constable Trudy Hazell, prosecuting, said Stewart was breathalysed after an accident at the entrance to Sullivan's shipyard in which a post was knocked down.

## Round the Isles in seven days

NEXT month will see another 'first' in Falkland Island tourism when the cruise ship *Nordbrise* arrives for a seven-day visit. Until now, visiting cruise ships have spent only two or three days to show off the islands to their passengers.

*Nordbrise*, chartered by Mountain Travel of California, plans two visits, arriving on December 1 and March 12. The 45 passengers on each trip will be accompanied by specialist guides and lecturers.

Defending, Mr Kevin Kilmartin said Stewart had agreed to tow a very long trailer from the Great Britain hotel and while waiting there had consumed a few drinks.

Manoeuvring such a long vehicle into the shipyard was a difficult operation. Stewart helped his father with his bus business in Stanley and the loss of his licence would cause difficulties.

Mrs McIlroy told Stewart: "It was a lot due to your your driving skills that you got that load as far as you did. It may well be that your drinking played no part in your accident.

"In your circumstances, if it were possible to let you keep your licence, I would."



## It's a whale of a campaign

YOU can't have missed them. There are more than 20 of them stuck up around Stanley. And they all read: *Say no to whaling.*

They are the billboards created by Mike Butcher of FAWN - *Falklands Against the Whaling Nations* - and part of that organisation's campaign to in-

volve more people in the cause and remind islanders "that we have a roll to play in the protection of these endangered animals and that we may have a unique means of doing so."

Our picture shows activists Mike Butcher and Graham Bound posing symbolically with a harpoon gun



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# UK LETTER

from SIR REX HUNT

AUTUMN is with us once again - the season of mists and mellow fruitfulness.

We are certainly getting mists (more accidents on the M25) but I do not know about the fruit. We have no fruit trees in our garden.

Judging from the number of beechmasts and acorns, however, I should say that most trees have been exceptionally fruitful.

The horse-chestnut crop has been a schoolboy's delight. Watching the golf at nearby Wentworth the other day, we were trampling hundreds of shiny brown conkers underfoot.

The leaves started falling some time ago. After the long hot summer, everything seems to have started earlier: the football season; the House of Lords; the party conferences; shopping for Christmas.

I resumed my speaking engagements in places as far afield as

## *It's a time of hope for the Falklands and the world*

**'Penguin News' is both proud and delighted to welcome Sir Rex Hunt, who was Governor of the Islands at the time of the Argentine invasion, as a regular contributor. Sir Rex has kindly agreed to take it in turns with Jeff Moir, a member of the Falkland Islands Association Committee in London, to write this feature.**

Bury St Edmunds, Reading and Uppingham.

My usual talk is on 'The Falklands: Past, Present and Future' but I had a welcome change last week when I addressed a football referees' association in London.

They were intrigued by my description of the Stanley football field and your league system.

Their technical topic for the evening was whether the referee in a game on the previous Saturday should have awarded a penal-

ty after he had blown for half-time.

Apparently he had failed to see that the linesman's flag was up. After consulting the linesman he had recalled the players and awarded the penalty. Some of his colleagues thought he was wrong, others that he was right. In the absence of a consensus, the chairman's final advice was that the referee should make a point of looking at the linesman before blowing for half-time or full-time.

If only we could settle all disputes in such a neat and practical way! Take our talks with the Argentines for example. We agree to disagree on sovereignty but agree a median line equi-distant from the Falkland Islands and Argentina and recognise each other's right to a 200-mile zone elsewhere.

It sounds simple enough, but diplomats are not football referees. Nevertheless, this is a time of optimism and hope, not only for the Falkland Islands but also for the rest of the world.

Despite natural disasters like earthquakes and hurricanes (we were in Charlotte when 'Hugo hit') and man-made reverses like the

Tiananmen Square massacre and financial market blues, the world seems a brighter place than it was even six months ago.

The Soviet Union is undergoing fundamental change, Poland has broken its Communist shackles, Hungary has opened its borders and thousands of East Germans have voted with their feet. Perhaps Robert McNamara is right when he says that after 40 years the West has finally won the Cold War. If so, there is a lot of re-thinking to be done.

It is far too early to lower our (Western) defences yet, but is it too much to hope that the dream created by Churchill and Roosevelt when they signed the Atlantic Charter might now one day be realised?

I do not minimise the the difficulties but, should it come to pass, in this century or the next, and a really effective world peace-keeping force, backed by the super-powers be established, the future security of the Falkland Islands would be assured.

Until then, Britain must continue to defend the Islands for as long as there is a threat from Argentina.

### FOR SALE BY TENDER

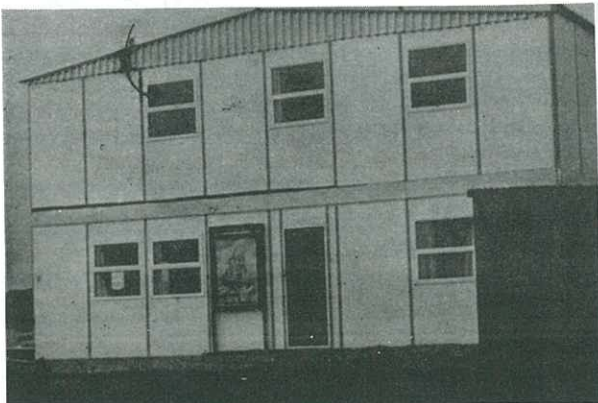
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### Councillor Luxton writes:-

MAY I please have the opportunity, by means of *Penguin News* to express my most sincere thanks to the Camp electorate for the very large vote of confidence which they gave me in the General Election.

It was a little overwhelming and I hope I am able to live up to it. However, I go to LegC and now ExCo as well, secure in the knowledge that nearly all of us share the same views about any involvement by Argentina in our affairs - a firm desire that there should be no such thing for the foreseeable future.

### Councillor Edwards writes:-

WOULD you be kind enough to express my thanks to the people who sponsored, supported and voted for me during the election.

I hope in due course to visit constituents in the Camp who don't have a councillor near at hand, and will be pleased to hear from anyone via 2-metre or AEL. And, of course, once the phones are installed anyone may ring me at any time. However, our phone is not due until February, so, until then, I hope people won't mind using the public network. If they have a problem they don't wish to discuss on the air, I shall be only too happy, to answer any letters.



# ALL GO FOR BROWNIES

## Glad to be here AND GUIDES



Kevin . . . hoping to stay

ONE man living life to the full in the Falklands and with every reason for wanting to stay on - and on - is Sgt Kevin Ormond of the Army Catering Corps.

The reason? He is married to local girl, Teena, whom he met at Goose Green when he was here during the conflict, fighting with 2 Para.

Now, Sgt Ormond has been given a second year's extension to his tour and hopes to stay on until he leaves the army in 1993.

Teena was on her way from Stanley to Weddell Island when she was stopped and imprisoned by the Argies at Goose Green.

Romance bloomed when, after the liberation, she and Kevin found themselves together cooking for the Islanders, the soldiers and even the Argentine prisoners. Now Kevin is at Look-out Camp where he and Teena live with their two daughters.

THE Islands' Brownies and Guides are now firmly and officially part of the organisation's worldwide fellowship.

Miss Mary Willatt, one of the movement's international trainers, has just spent four-and-a-half days (from Tristar to Tristar) in Stanley training the new leaders and setting up an infrastructure for their association.

No-one seems to know when the last Brownie pack or Guide company existed in the Falklands, but one thing is certain: There are now 24 Brownies and 25 Guides in Stanley - and all are very keen.

Brownie Brown Owl is Mrs Sue Martin who is helped by Mrs Nicky Luxton, Maria Browning and Linda Burnard.

There are five Guide Guiders - Kereena MacDonald, Beulah Kluznick, Lesley Titterington, Jane Swales and Fran Bullock and two Ranger Guides - Marion Purvis and Rhoda Metcalf.

Training took place in private

homes and Miss Willatt reported: "Everyone was most enthusiastic and had already been planning for the future."

The Governor's wife, Mrs Arlene Fullerton, is the power behind the new organisation. She visited Guide Headquarters in London and asked about setting up a Guide company here. She will also be president of the local Guide council set up to manage the Falklands association.

Miss Willatt is a volunteer and fitted in her Falklands trip during her half-term as a primary school teacher.

She has been in the movement since she was seven and, as a trainer, has travelled all over the world, including Kiribati and Tuvalu in the Pacific and the Caribbean.

On one occasion she was lying on a beach when, unknowingly, she put her handbag down on top of a group of hermit crabs.

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# Court slates doctor

A WOMAN doctor who has left the Islands came in for heavy criticism at Stanley magistrates' court.

Commenting at an adjourned drink-and-drive case, Chief Magistrate Rosie McIlroy said: "I am most annoyed that she behaved with what appears to be a total lack of responsibility . . . I hope in future care will be taken inside the Medical Department to stop such irresponsible behaviour by doctors.

"It is a great pity the doctor involved has left the colony, otherwise she would have been

required to give evidence before the court to explain her actions - or lack of them."

Gavin Browning of Stanley was fined £100 and banned for 12 months for driving while unfit through drink. He was also fined £50 for driving without a licence and £20 for failing to show his insurance certificate.

He was given 14 days to pay and pleaded not guilty on all counts.

When Constables Longley and Bell saw Browning's Land-Rover in Davis Street on August 30 it was swerving about the road. P.c.

Longley said Browning's speech was slurred and he smelled of drink.

Browning said he was an asthmatic and could not use the breathyliser.

So the police took him to KEMH for a medical examination. They arrived at 10.18pm but were not seen until 11.45pm when an examination took place.

Commented Mrs McIlroy: "It seems to have been a somewhat perfunctory affair which the constable estimated as lasting two minutes. We are completely in the

dark however as to what the doctor's evidence is as she has left the colony without seeing fit to produce a report or even, according to the evidence, making a written note for the hospital records.

"It may be that her examination would have been unable to tell us anything anyway. I have myself training and experience in the field of forensic medicine and I cannot conceive of the fact that a competent examination could ever be carried out in two minutes.

"In any event since Mr Browning was taken to the hospital at 10.18pm and did not see a doctor until 11.45pm any evidence that the doctor had seen fit to give us would have lost credibility anyway because of the time lapse."

On the licence charge Mrs McIlroy said there was one strong mitigating factor. Browning's licence - for motor cycles only - had been marked in a most ambiguous manner.

As to the insurance. He had shown the certificate to police but only when they had visited him on another matter. He had not shown it at the time and place required.

## Doug scrabbles in £600

DOUG Legg, the man from ARC who played Scrabble for 48 hours non-stop last weekend, helped to raise about £600 for Jelly Tots, the Stanley mothers-and-children group.

Apart from a couple of baths, Doug sat at his board in the King Edward Memorial Hospital day centre from midnight Friday until midnight Sunday.

Meals were brought in from the Upland Goose and Malvina House hotels.

The target of 20,000 points was passed with six hours to spare as around 25 people arrived to challenge Doug in 57 games. Despite being so tired he lost only eight. Doug is on a two-year tour in the Islands. He told *Penguin News*: "All this

time I've been looking for someone to play Scrabble with - but without success.

"Now I have only two weeks to go I have been meeting plenty!"

Jelly Tot committee members had earlier gone round town knocking on doors for sponsors. "We had only three refusals," said one member.

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# My job: To help Islanders get the life they want

THE one thing that might strike you as strange about His Excellency William Hugh Fullerton, Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George, Governor of the Falkland Islands and Commissioner for South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands, is that he is an expert in Arab affairs.

So what is he doing so far from Riyadh? Surely, even the Foreign and Commonwealth Office cannot confuse the Camp with rolling desert.

But Mr Fullerton does not think it at all odd that he should be posted here. "It is Foreign Office policy that one spends about two thirds of one's time using one's speciality and the other third taking a break from it and broadening the mind... I think that's a good thing.

"The head of the Falkland Islands section at the Foreign Office, David Tatham, he's an Arabist too. As indeed is the British Ambassador in Washington and also the head of the Diplomatic Service."

Before coming to Stanley, Mr Fullerton had been on loan to the Ministry of Defence working for the Defence Export Service. He had been involved in the mega-sale of Tornado aircraft to the Saudis.

Next week he will have clocked up one full year at Government House.

Are the Falklands anything like he thought they would be?

"Pretty much," he says, "because I had done some research and seen some videos. But there is much more going on than I expected. Life is much more busy and more varied."

And what, looking back over that year has given him most job satisfaction or pleasure?

The question stops him for a moment while he tries to decide... "My wife and I have had so many new and enjoyable experiences it would take about two weeks to decide from the myriad of things we have done."

He pauses again, then says: "Possibly presiding over a legislative council which is something I had never done before - in fact, not many other diplomats have done it either. It was a most interesting and broadening experience and a privilege."

And what about the future and the great changes everyone is talking about?

"What we are looking for is the best of what we can get in the way of modern infrastructure while preserving what the islanders want themselves of their traditional way of life.

"It's for the Islanders to decide... and when they tell us what to do we try to do it.

"It is a fact that the Islanders are responsible for almost everything except defence and



Governor William Fullerton

foreign policy. It is the Islanders who make the decisions and in my time here I have never seen the officers who are *ex-officio* members of the Executive Council vote."

But even on aspects of foreign affairs, local councillors can and do make their views known through Mr. Fullerton to the Foreign Office and London can take action on their behalf.

He cites the case of whaling when a protest resolution from the Council was passed to Whitehall, then on to the Japanese government.

All during the interview Mr Fullerton kept stressing... "It's what the Islanders want... it's nothing to do with anyone else."

So what about the differential between what an Islander earns and what an ex-pat earns for the same job?

The Governor gave the stock reply. You could not expect people to disrupt their lives at home and travel thousands of miles to a land they had never seen, without some financial incentive.

But hadn't he missed the point? No-one denied that. It wasn't a question of should the expats be paid less, rather one of shouldn't the locals be paid as much?

A diplomatic shrug. "It's a question of finance. If the Islands can find the additional funds that would be fine, but FIG are actually working on evening out the difference. It may well be that salaries will soon be the same with only a simple inducement element for expatriates."

In any case, he added, unskilled wages here were about the same as in the UK.

Fifty-year-old Mr Fullerton joined the Foreign Office from Shell in 1965 and since then has served in Lebanon, Saudi, the UN in New York, Jamaica and Turkey. He was later consul general in Islamabad, Pakistan, and was ambassador to Somalia before being lent to the Ministry of Defence.

He was married in 1968 and has a daughter, Elizabeth who is now 19 and reading French and German at New College, Oxford. A keen environmentalist - hence his interest

in the 'Clean up Stanley' campaign - Mr Fullerton lists his hobbies as travelling in remote places, sailing, reading and walking.

Having enjoyed a year in the Falklands, how does he feel about the future? "I cannot see any fundamental change in the status of the islands in the years to come. The British public must fully see that we went to war for a principle - a war in which soldiers on both sides have died... we can't possibly change."

And he has no time for those in Britain who bleat about the cost of Fortress Falklands. He says: "It isn't so much... £54 million a year, that's about the price of two Tornados."

Then he lists the training benefits that the Islands provide for the forces. Naval captains have more freedom to manoeuvre and show their initiative than when attached to a large fleet; the infantry gain experience of a different terrain and have a superb firing range, while for the RAF, the Falklands must be the only place in the world where low flying is actually appreciated by many inhabitants.

No UK civil aid comes to the Islands.

Then he goes off on a slightly different tack - and could there be a flash of anger in those calm, diplomatic eyes? "Some people seem to think the Falklands are rolling in money... What rubbish!" And he lists the items on which the cash is being spent - roads, school, new homes, the pool... "And hopefully some in the reserves. All that does not leave much change out of £30 million."

The new senior school - the Governor describes it as "the Rolls-Royce" of schools - will cost a small fortune. But, says His Excellency, that's what the Islanders wanted. And he sympathised with that.

One thing is for sure: he would like to see the clean-up campaign carry on. "I appreciate Stanley is a working town," he says. "It's a real place, but I would like to see it a little tidier."

He would also like to see plans being brought to fruition so that people could see how the money was being spent and that they were getting good value for it.

But most of all he would like to see a 'pulling together' of all the people. For example, the popular feeling that when it comes to jobs, the British get first choice was just not true. People who wanted to see more Islanders in top jobs were knocking at an open door as far as he or anyone else was concerned. There was certainly no policy to put the British first.

But with a population of only 2,000 the islands were just not able to supply all the talent they needed. There had to be some people brought in from outside - but he hoped they would not be looked upon as outsiders.

He accepted that there had been unfortunate experiences in the past but he thought the expatriates here now were doing a good, professional job and making a substantial contribution.



## Penguin News

### Voice of the Falklands

Ross Road, Stanley, Falkland Islands.

WELCOME back! *Penguin News* is certainly pleased to be with you all again.

And following the sell-out success of our *Election Special* - in fact we had to restock some shops in Stanley - we hope to be with you now for a long time to come... regularly every other Friday.

But first we must make a few points clear:-

●Number one, if only because it concerns money, is about subscriptions.

The new *Penguin News* inherited no records whatever from its predecessor. We have no information on how many papers were ordered by whom or where. We have no copy of accounts.

What we did find among the rubbish that filled eight plastic sacks and six large cardboard boxes was a list of overseas names and addresses which had been copied several times.

We are treating this as a subscription list and will fulfill the obligations this implies.

When it comes to Camp, however, there is no such list. Some of you have written in and we will try to sort out something for you. In the meantime, if you feel we owe you papers, *let us know*. We will do our best for you.

●Point two is very important. There seems to be some strange belief that because there has been some financial help from Government in the re-establishment of *Penguin News* the paper has become 'the voice of Ronnie Sampson'.

Rubbish! And Ronnie Sampson knows that as well as anyone.

In any case Ronnie Sampson is the Chief Executive, not the Government. You, the readers of *Penguin News* are more the Government than he is because you elect your councillors and they run the country. Or should do.

But *Penguin News* is not the voice of the councillors either... or the Governor... or anyone else. *Penguin News* is the voice of the Falklands and, hopefully, their conscience and advocate. That is why we welcome all letters and articles expressing all shades of opinion.

●Thirdly, we had hoped to have 20 pages. Unfortunately our printing plates appear to have been lost in mid-air (or mid-ocean). We must also be the only news organisation in the world to have produced two editions without a telephone.

# Gurkhas dive in for the sake of Stanley museum



John Smith with *Malvinas* bolt

SOUTH Georgia's icy waters proved no barrier for the divers of 69 Gurkha Independent Field Squadron stationed in the Falklands. They inspected the jetty at King Edward Point and dived on the hulks of three whaling ships at Grytviiken. They closed the stop-cocks on one, *Petrel*, and she has since been refloated. There is even talk of towing her back to the Falklands and restoring her. One of several artifacts the Gurkhas found and presented to Stanley museum curator John Smith, who is well-known in the garrison for his Falklands history lectures, was a four-ton anchor from Stanley harbour. Mr Smith says it is at least 200 years old. It lay in Stanley's outer harbour until shortly after the conflict when it was raised and deposited, temporarily, in the bay opposite the Upland Goose hotel. The team also investigated two interesting wrecks off Saunders. One was the coast-er *Malvinas*, the first vessel in Falkland waters to use both an engine and sail. The Gurkhas recovered parts of the engine and a large iron bolt used to secure her woodwork.

The other vessel was an 18th century sealer. One man more than sorry to see the Gurkhas go was John Smith: "They have been a tremendous help to us," he said.

## DRP makes its position clear

FOLLOWING its poor showing in the General Election, the *Desire the Right Party* has issued a statement through its chairman, Mike Rendell, who states:-

"I want to clear up any doubts concerning the party's views about the Madrid talks between Britain and Argentina.

Firstly, the DRP has never supported any Argentine involvement in Falklands affairs - to change our minds just before the General Election would have been totally ridiculous.

We deny any suggestion that we want Argentina to be involved in

our fisheries. We do, however, believe that if agreement can be reached between Britain and Argentina on a plan that would safeguard fisheries stocks outside our fisheries zone, but without allowing any Argentine presence within the FICZ, then this should be supported, because it will strengthen our fisheries economy.

Any interchange of information would obviously be between Britain - where Falkland fisheries data is assessed and collated - and Argentina.

Following the first round of Madrid talks we hear that Britain and



On parade... the FIDF present arms to the Governor

# We want nothing to do with the Argentines

IT was swearing-in time at Stanley on October 16 when the Islands' eight new councillors took the oath.

And those new councillors who spoke all declared they wanted nothing whatever to do with Argentina.

The FIDF paraded in the rain and presented arms to the Governor, Mr William Fullerton, who was in full-dress uniform.

Attorney General David Lang was in wig and gown.

Speaking on the motion to adjourn, Cllr Ronald Binnie (Camp) said: "The electorate of these islands do not want, under any circumstances, any part of any agreement which may allow Argentine access to, or participation in Falkland Islands affairs.

Cllr Terence Peck (Stanley) spoke of the future. "I foresee the following few months as being very critical. A very careful appraisal of our country's economy must be our first priority.

"Decisions will be made: they will

not be applauded by some but they will be made nevertheless, because it will be in the people's and country's best interest."

Of Argentina he said, "We must have a 200-mile limit around our islands. We must be recognised to have the right of self-determination.

"Argentina could and should recognise our country and the rights of its people and they would then receive the respect of the International World.

"By continuing to be the big bully boy there can be no respect. Their implied threats and aggressive statements further convince us in the Falklands that there can never be any links with Argentina."

Referring to the Madrid talks, Cllr Mrs Norma Edwards (Camp) said: "We have no objection at all to Britain and Argentina renewing relations and repairing fences but we really feel strongly that we have to be careful that we don't go down the slippery slope of the seventies again and we have to make sure there is no involvement by Argentina either in our waters or certainly in the Islands themselves.

"But apart from that we wish them well with their talks."

Mrs Edwards also warned about money. "We are all fresh and raring to go," she said, "and think we are going to move mountains. I don't expect we will but we will have a go anyway.

"One of the big things I think we are going to find is that we haven't the money we thought we had available to all the things that we will want to do, so a fair warning to the people of the Falklands that maybe not everything that they hoped would happen in the four years is going to happen."

Cllr Harold Rowlands (Stanley) referred to his days as Financial



Attorney General David Lang administers oath to Terence Peck

Secretary. He said it would give him great pleasure to sit where he could keep an eye on his successor. He also criticised the lack of information available on Council affairs and suggested a short broadcast every evening.

Mr John Buckland-James the Financial Secretary said he was delighted to feel he would have Harold's beady eye upon him.

The Chief Executive, Ronald Sampson, said the new Legco would see the opening of the new swimming pool; the commissioning, building and first terms of the new school; the first real progress in Camp routes and housing.

It would also be able to play a part in the diversification of the economy and "given the right lead they should also be able to oversee the greatest degree of 'Falklandisation' that the islands have known."

Not that the Islands were doing terribly badly in that respect already.

"Where else in the world would you find a population of 2,000 that produces eight Legislative Councillors, not to mention the eight that have just started a long holiday, but seven department heads and many many more filling key posts including a Representative in London."

There were at least 80 farmers and people in trading and communications; there were mariners, pilots, engineers, and those in the fishing industry, tourism, horticulture, broadcasting, writing, and illustrating - people providing a pool of skilled and professional services and also providing a defence force.

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The smooth new surface was a joy to ride on. Then, just when the children thought it was their very own, along came the Rovers, the cars and the 10-ton trucks.

Now the parents of these children told them firmly they would have to be careful and did their best to instruct them in road craft.

It was lucky for the child in question that the driver knew of the danger and was going slowly.

Had the child encountered the irresponsible 40mph lunatic, or the drunk driver, he would now be dead. So what can we do about the problem?

A few phone calls to the police could stop the speed merchant. And we could have a play park for children at the west end of town

## Woman about TOWN

(similar to the one in the centre but equipped with slides, roundabouts and swings and things).

But a play park is not enough. Children are into things like bikes, skates and skateboards. And bikes, skates and skateboards require long, smooth surfaces on which to operate.

The solution is play streets. Three or four throughout town. Wherever large numbers of children live. Beginning with Jeremy Moore Avenue.

The road will require a decent surface. And something needs to be done quickly before further incident. And it will need the appropriate play street sign.

Children will have a road of their own. Vehicles will be permitted - but only for access.

I don't want to read how a child on a bike was killed by a speeding motorist in Ross Road West. Nor do I want to hear the words: *It was only a matter of time.*

## Diary of a FARMER'S WIFE OR An everyday story of Camp folk

WELL, I did think Spring had sprung - daffodils blooming, sickly lamb reviving in the Rayburn and clucky hens everywhere - but now I'm not so sure.

A vicious frost has massacred many an unwary potato and precocious lettuce in other peoples' gardens and polyhouses and I was grateful our garden is dug but not yet planted.

Then came icy winds that find every possible way into our house. Our pups Sam and Floss seem unconcerned - they delight in the wind, playing happily at *Chase My Tail* and *Hunt the Bone*, the latter, a favourite with generations of pups, explaining the dearth of flowers in our garden.

The horses are in for delousing but in this gale I am the one that would get deloused, so they will have to wait.

Jody, also known as "The Donkey", needs her feet trimming and I am dreading it. Not

only are they the worst I have seen for for shape and crackability but she weighs a fair old bit and loathes being touched. Giving her a pedicure is like wrestling an agile elephant. And it always ends in tears - mine.

Lambs are still appearing; our Merino has quite a few and the young ewes and mainflock are doing well. To my delight and most other people's disgust the Jacob ram is throwing sooty black lambs. (A blue raddle shows where he has been, while it's red for the Merino.)

In the garden 'rough piece' (to distinguish it from the not-quite-so-rough piece) we have three pet lambs including a Merino-cross A.I., Sheila, and Tina, found by an R & R. lad.

The third is Lofty who needed stomach-tube feeding and a lot of TLC when found. He has the longest body and legs of any lamb I've seen and it was three days before he could hoist his rump into the correct position.

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# LETTERS

WRITE TO Penguin News with your views and comments. The Editor reserves the right to shorten letters for legal or any other reason he considers valid.

## Times have changed, so lay off the police, Bill!

HAVING learned I am one of the few that didn't vote for Bill Luxton I feel that at least one person should highlight what I consider to be the disgraceful outpourings of his personal view that appeared in his election speech.

I, along with a large proportion of the Camp voters applaud Bill's positive views on tracks, Argie-Falkland relations, the 200-mile economic zone etc.

Bill will make a great ambassador for the Falklands on the international scene being seemingly relaxed and composed in these circles.

However, I do find his views on the police, especially because they come from someone with a big personal influence in the Islands, unacceptable.

Nobody likes the police's high profile. It is a big change from the

old days. But it is no longer the old days.

Today, temptation abounds and traffic has increased dramatically with a lot of heavy vehicles.

Who can remember, before the war, people stealing vehicles and smashing them up; pinching cassette players from Rovers; or breaking and entering.

The police have changed to combat the change.

If there is a need for 24-hour policing it means a three-shift system and there must be a minimum number to work this, plus enough to absorb holidays, illness etc.

The number is only statistically bad because it is calculated against such a small population.

The Police department isn't perfect - what Government department is? But if laws are made - and I think I am right in saying they have all been passed by our own Councillors - why start wimping

when you suddenly find you have to conform to them? Bill really stooped to an all-time low when he criticised the breathalser and almost seemed to condone drinking and driving.

I am sure Bill has never considered the possibility that the breathalser has helped the medical department.

Not only are doctors no longer bothered when they are busy, but no longer are they asked to point an accusing finger at someone who might even be a friend.

A gadget does not discriminate. The breathalser makes people think twice before drinking and driving. Drinking and driving is never acceptable. Let's not wait for statistics to prove this.

Lay into the Argies, drive roads through East and West, Bill, but if you want to come into town and party - hire a taxi.

**RICHARD STEVENS**  
Port Sussex

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Aged 25, Miss Lee lists her hobbies as "general."

Miss Joyce Smith,  
P.O. Box 897,  
Cape Coast, Ghana.

Miss Smith is 23 and her hobbies are cooking and dancing.

Miss Silvia Shirley,  
P.O. Box 1057,  
Cape Coast, Ghana.

Miss Shirley is 24 and her hobbies are exchanging gifts, travel, music and marriage.

## Nice place you have here - but where can I park?

STANLEY is a fast-growing town. And it is growing naturally which means that one day it will become a really super place.

Not many towns boast a sea view for nearly every home.

So why don't the city fathers (and mothers) take advantage of the fact that they are still on the ground floor and create adequate facilities for parking before it is too late?

I am told Stanley has one of the highest ratios of vehicles to head of population in the world and already there are parking problems.

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## FALKLAND FINANCE

by NORMAN BLACK

# Bank joins computer age

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In the years intervening, rapid economic growth has taken place

and standards of living have been affected by increased prosperity, rising wages and an influx of grant aid.

With the introduction of the Fisheries Conservation Zone, one of the natural resources around the Islands is being protected and has led to a huge boost in earnings for the Falklands.

In recent months there has been

a surge of interest in mortgages - both for new housing and that which is currently available.

It is important that with such a flurry of activity going on that the bank continues to respond to the needs of its customers both in providing finance and professional advice and assistance.

It is also necessary for it continuously to review its operations to maintain an efficient and effective

service to the public and to look at the products it has to offer and identify any new ones that it can introduce.

At present, the Stanley bank still uses hand-written ledgers and statements. However, it will shortly be undertaking a computerisation project aimed at introducing improved services by next March.

It is hoped improved technology will improve the bank's services and lead to better delivery and response times for customers.

New telephone arrangements will start shortly. This will be particularly useful in dealing with the farming sector, where, because of the geographical spread and present poor communications it often takes a substantial amount of time by correspondence to resolve a query.

Now the bank looks forward to being able to pick up the telephone and resolve in a matter of minutes matters that have previously taken weeks.

## Bells ring out for bride Leann

THE cathedral bells rang in Stanley on October 14 when Leann Whitney married Colin 'Tooty' Ford.

Given away by her father, Dennis, Leann wore a beautiful floor-length white satin gown with a long train set off with panels of lace.

The high neckline was also set in lace while the leg-of-mutton sleeves were satin to the elbow and lace to the wrist.

A three-quarter length veil

was held by a spray of white flowers while her bouquet was of pink roses and fern. The three bridesmaids were Michele Binnie, friend of the bride, and Donna and Tania Ford, Tooty's nieces.

Michele wore a pale pink puffball style satin dress with a bow at the back and three-quarter length sleeves. Her white hat was set off by a pink rose. She carried a bouquet similar to the bride's.

Both bouquets were arranged by Mrs Iris McPhee.

Donna and Tania wore identical white lace tiered dresses trimmed with pink and pink and white flowers in their hair.

Best man was Tooty's brother, Robert.

Later some 40 guests sat down to a supper prepared by Tooty's parents, Mr and Mrs C. D. Ford.

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# Smith a mighty man is he

THE Falklands top darts player, Colin Smith, added yet another title to his ever-increasing total when he took the £150 first prize in the 'Three Bars' championship.

He had already proved victorious in the 1989 'Witte Boyd' and 'Governor's Cup'.

His triumph in this latest tournament came after a thrilling encounter with Gary Hewitt who lost earlier to Smith in the 'Witte Boyd'.

Smith's overall record of title wins in all major competitions is unrivalled in Falklands darting history: he has nine outright victories and two runners-up positions to add to his further 10 League titles of various categories.

This season he remained unbeaten in League games winning an incredible 91 legs from a possible 96 to clinch the title for the second year in a row. (He was runner-up in the five previous seasons). Colin also won the Individual Knockout tournament for the third time in succession.

The breakdown of his major title wins is most impressive:-

**GOVERNOR'S CUP:** Champion 1981, 1987, 1989.

**JOHNNIE WALKER:** Champion 1983, 1987, 1988. Runner-up 1985.

## Patrick Watts takes a farewell look at the 1989 darts scene

**THREE BARS:** Champion 1987, 1989.

**WITTE BOYD:** Champion 1989. Runner-up 1988.

**INDIVIDUAL KNOCKOUT:** Champion 1987, 1988, 1989. Third 1981.

**LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP:** Champion 1988, 1989. Runner-up 1981, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987.

**BEST INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE:** (Aggregate of all 100s, 101 plus three-dart finishes etc.) Champion 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989. Runner-up 1981, 1984.

While, understandably, Smith's latest performance in the 'Three Bars' individual knockout tournament attracted most attention, his opponent in the final, Gary Hewitt, also produced an excellent display in a competition that probably produced the highest standard of dart playing ever seen in the Falklands.

This was in no small way attributable to the appearance of a

group of very good players from Mount Pleasant.

Two of the military players, Steve Martin and Simon Grindley reached the semi-final and it required a supreme effort by the two local players to prevent something that has never happened in Falklands darts history - an all-serviceman final.

Both Gary Hewitt and Colin Smith later admitted they had had to "go up a gear" to hold off the challenge. Their opponents also, quite naturally had to contend with a partisan audience.

It would not be frivolous to say that several recent big tournaments have lacked some sparkle as the local lads, Smith, Hewitt and the Ford Brothers have tended to monopolise the events, becoming rather complacent.

The 1989 'Three Bars' championship made them all search for their best form and, as it transpired, both Smith and Hewitt were equal to the challenge on the night.

It is difficult to recall a game in the Town Hall where a player has scored two tons in a row and still lose. But that is what happened to Grindley in his semi-final.

If ever the advent of matches being played over 501, coupled with a straight start and double finish, needed a boost locally then this tournament provided that thrust.

Spectators, commentators and players watched enthralled as the final eight players produced a standard rarely seen in the Islands.

All the players later remarked that playing over 501, as opposed to 301, gave them the chance for several big scores before they had to start adjusting for a double finish.

In the first semi-final Hewitt quickly established a 2-0 lead in the best-of-five-legs game, winning the first in a moderate 24 darts but taking the second in a brilliant 15. His scores were 125, 100, 180, 78, which left him with 18. This he scored with a 9, 1 and double 4.

Hewitt then went "off the boil" allowing his opponent back in the game. Martin seized his chance to take the third leg in unspectacular fashion (30 darts) and the fourth in just 20, knocking up a ton and a 95 *en route* before leaving himself with 62 which he scored with a splendid treble 10 and double 16.

The fifth and deciding leg was another excellent game with Hewitt holding the edge all the way with scores of 85, 121, 81, 60, 60, and 79, leaving himself with 15 which he scored in two darts with a 7 and double 4.

Martin's ton came just a little too late to matter.

In the second semi-final both players produced some massive scores and Colin Smith had to be at his best to overcome Simon Grindley by 3-1.

Smith narrowly missed a 15-dart first leg, hitting a 25 when needing a bull. He eventually went out on double 4 in 24 darts having earlier scored 100, 140, 80, 60 and 96.

Grindley played superbly to take the second leg in 22 darts with scores of 100, 100, 60, 60, 60, 53 and 52 before going out on double 8.

Smith took the third leg in 20 darts with some more spectacular scoring . . . 60, 140, 85, 60, 118 and 22 before completing with a double 8.

The fourth and, as it transpired, final leg again saw both men hit massive scores. Smith (43, 60, 100, 100, 83 and 99) leaving 16 which he scored with double 8. Grindley, meanwhile, had notched up 100, 100, 60, 60, 60, 39, 37.

The final was another great match with Gary Hewitt coming back from one leg down to square it at 1-1, but his brave fight back ended then and there for Colin romped away with the next three legs leaving Gary just out of reach on each occasion.

Gary's second leg performance included another maximum of 180 and this coupled with a score of 140 gave him the game in 26 darts.

Smith took leg three in 21 darts and legs 4 and 5 in 19.

#### FINAL PLACINGS:

- 1st Smith - £150
- 2nd Gary Hewitt - £80
- 3rd Simon Grindley - £40
- 4th Steve Martin - £40.

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## PATRICK WATTS '89 Darts Extra

### Sybella makes the top after 11 years

SYBELLA Summers must have thought she was destined never to win a major individual title, but 11 years after appearing in her first final, she won the Ladies' Tournament this year.

And she showed her happiness when she threw her hands high in the air to acknowledge the crowd's applause.

Top woman player of the season and favourite for the tournament was Joan Middleton surprisingly lost in the quarter-finals to Nora Smith, mother of champion Colin.

Nora then went out to Shel-

ley McKay, while in the other semi-final Sybella Summers turned back the challenge of Petula Clark.

Petula had caused a major shock in the quarter-finals by defeating Margaret Goss of Horseshoe Bay but she found Sybella on top form in an entertaining semi-final.

The overall standard of the tournament was high and the prize money reflected the interest there now is in women's darts.

Sybella took home £100, runner-up Shelley £50 and the two losing semi-finalists £25.



### A spring wedding for Stephanie

OCTOBER 21 is a date Stephanie Coutts and Brian Middleton will never forget. For that is when they were married at Stanley Cathedral by the Rev Nicholas Rundle.

Most of the large number of

family and friends who attended received a good share of the rice and confetti as the strong Spring winds haphazardly redistributed the offerings.

Later, a dance at the town hall lasted until the small hours.



### 'Rescue' at the pool

STANLEY'S long-awaited swimming pool is still not open, but on October 22 the public went along to see what it will look like when they are finally allowed in.

A steady stream of visitors looked at the water hopefully and peered into the dressing

rooms. Most people seemed to be genuinely impressed. And when they had gone away future lifeguard Emma Reid was put through a mock test - part of her training before she can work at the pool.

Here she is 'rescuing' one of her friends.

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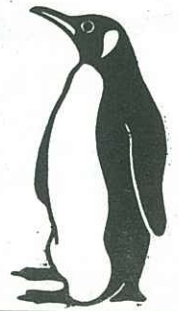
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## IS THIS THE LAST

### *Gas leak stops the Royal occasion*

IT was business as usual yesterday for the disappointed staff at Falkland House, the Islands' prestige new offices in London's Broadway.

All trace of the escaping gas that had caused such trouble and ruined the Royal visit on Wednesday had been dispersed.

Then, the ceremonial opening by the Duchess of York had had to be cancelled when police sniffer dogs detected the fumes emanating from a damaged main outside the building.

Immediately, that part of the road fronting the office was closed (although the public were still able to use

St James's Park Underground station which is opposite).

The Duchess had already left Chelmsford, in Essex, where she had had an earlier engagement.

Mr Lewis Clifton, the Falkland Islands Government representative in London had been due to meet the Duchess. Among 70 other disappointed VIPs were the Governor and Mrs Fullerton and Cllrs Norma Edwards and Harold Rowlands.

It could take more than six months to arrange another Royal date. Meanwhile the Falkland Island flag flies defiantly from its new masthead.

## VISIT OF AES?

THE Falkland Island Company confirmed this week that it was seriously considering ending its charter of AES, the Islands' main cargo ship link with the UK for 17 years.

Said Terry Spruce, the company's Islands manager: "We are considering withdrawal. The company is always conscious of cost. There will be a new vessel to carry the pre-Christmas wool clip and another, larger, ship to run the second and third wool voyages."

Neither of the two new ships has yet been named as negotiations are still in progress.

Recently, the AES - owned in Denmark but registered in the Bahamas - has been dogged by bad luck. On this trip in Stanley her

No. 3 winch began to spurt oil and had to be shut down during repairs - as was No. 4 winch to which it is connected.

This was expected to cause an 18-hour delay.

Earlier this year AES was delayed when she went to the assistance of *Asifa* and had to tow her. Later, the AES broke down and was longer in dry dock than expected.

Her crew consists of three Danish officers, a Spaniard, two Chileans and a Colombian. A Dutch sailor signed off at Stanley.

She normally carries about 1,000 tons of cargo. This trip she had two houses aboard.

AES is chartered by Darwin Shipping, a subsidiary of FIC. The initials stand for A. E. Sorenson, the name of the original owner.

## Marching along to £1,000



TODDLERS turned out in force to meet the seven soldiers who marched from MPA to Stanley to raise more than £1,000 for Stanley Nursery School.

Leading the squad was Sgt Kevin Ormond, master-chef at SAD, whose three-year-old

daughter, Terri-Anne, attends the school.

With him were L/Cpl Steve Jackson, Ranger Ian Taggerty, Driver Rob Ford, and L/Cpl 'Higgy' Hignet from SAD; L/Cpl Graham Morris from the MT unit at MPA and L/Cpl

Daren Morgan stationed at Stanley hospital.

The marchers were met outside St Mary's Catholic Church with balloons and a big banner.

But the soldiers, lying on the presbytery lawn recovering were almost too tired to notice.





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*Penguin News* regrets that for reasons outside its control it will be possible to publish only one week's television programmes in each of the next few issues. It is hoped that this situation will be put right in the New Year

### FRIDAY, November 17

- 6.00 COUNT DUCKULA
- 6.20 BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY with Sarah Kennedy.
- 6.45 BANANAMAN
- 6.50 MAGIC OF DAVID COPPERFIELD who attempts to unravel the mystery of the Bermuda Triangle.
- 7.30 CORONATION STREET
- 7.55 HORIZON A technique that will revolutionise doctors' work, the environment and the purity of food.
- 8.45 BROOKSIDE
- 9.30 CHINA HAND Film in which David Soul searches for missing gold.

### SATURDAY, November 18

- 6.00 POP SPOT
- 6.30 NOEL EDMONDS SATURDAY ROADSHOW
- 7.15 ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL
- 8.05 RUSS ABBOT gets involved with the Barrats of Wimpole Street.
- 8.35 MURDER SHE WROTE Jessica investigates the murder of a gem dealer
- 9.20 FFIZZ
- 9.40 THE EQUALISER
- 10.25 SATURDAY MATTERS Sue Lawley meets Edwina Currie, Dorothy Lamour, Kathryn Grayson and Van Johnson.

### SUNDAY, November 19

- 3.45 SPORTSNIGHT includes boxing (McAuley v Penalosa) and Rugby Special.
- 6.00 SCARECROW AND MRS KING
- 6.45 HIGHWAY Harry Secombe visits Hereford.
- 7.15 EASTENDERS Halloween at the Vic.
- 8.15 BLANKETY BLANK with Les Dawson.
- 8.45 HOWARD'S WAY
- 9.35 BLIND DATE hosted by Cilla Black.
- 10.15 HALE AND PACE
- 10.40 INSIDE STORYT New series starts with story of how Britain's secret service was hoodwinked by the KGB.

### MONDAY, November 20

- 6.00 SCOOBY DOO
- 6.20 SPORTSMASTERS
- 6.45 THE CHART SHOW Non-stop videos.

- 7.30 CORONATION STREET
- 7.55 FRESH FIELDS
- 8.20 TANAMERA: LION OF SINGAPORE The price of forbidden love.
- 9.10 THE ROBBIE COLTRANE SPECIAL
- 10.00 NAKED VIDEO Batmania special in which the jokers get their revenge on the Caped Crusader.
- 10.30 WORLD IN ACTION In-depth current affairs.

### TUESDAY, November, 21

- 6.00 THE SNORKS
- 6.10 BEADLE'S ABOUT
- 6.35 THE KRYPTON FACTOR
- 7.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
- 7.30 DAD'S ARMY helping with the harvest.
- 8.00 THE BILL
- 8.25 DES O'CONNOR TONIGHT
- 9.15 CASUALTY.
- 10.05 BLACKADDER GOES FORTH
- 10.35 FILM '89 Barry Norman reviews *The Rachel Papers* and *The Cook, the Thief, His Wife and Her Lover!*

### WEDNESDAY, November 22

- 6.00 LOST IN SPACE
- 6.50 NEWSVIEW For the week ending November 18.
- 7.30 CORONATION STREET
- 7.55 RAPIDO
- 8.25 CHALLENGE ANNEKA
- 9.05 'ALLO 'ALLO Rene and staff undertake to rescue the British airmen
- 9.35 CONFESSIONAL Final episoder.
- 10.25 THE PLANETS Mars.

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

- 6.00 THE BODYMATTERS ROADSHOW
- 6.30 DOCTOR WHO: The Curse of Fenric
- 6.55 BOB'S FULL HOUSE
- 7.30 TOP OF THE POPS
- 8.00 THE BILL
- 8.25 TOP GEAR Motorcycle Show special.
- 8.55 SQUARE DEAL
- 9.20 SARACEN
- 10.10 SING COUNTRY from the Festival of Country Music, Wembley.
- 10.40 SCENE HERE BFG magazine programme

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## Jelly Tots choose committee

STANLEY'S Jelly Tot club for mothers and toddlers held a general meeting on October 30 to agree a constitution and elect a committee.

The officers, who will hold their positions until the annual general meeting next July, are:- Chairperson, Christel Mercer; Secretary, Marilyn Hall; and Treasurer, Stella Prindle-Middleton. Other committee members are: Sharon Zuvic-Bulic and Vanda MacDonald.

Two trustees, appointed for a period of three years, were:- Lorraine McGill and Phyllis Rendell.

Members also put on record their thanks to Doug Legg for his 48-hour effort in the Scrabble marathon.

# Arthur Turner sent to gaol for 3 months

ARTHUR Turner, a well-known Island horseman and Sports Day competitor, was gaoled for three months at Stanley on November 1.

He had pleaded not guilty to causing Jason Davis actual bodily harm at Stanley on Friday, October 27 in Philomel Street.

Mr Kevin Kilmartin, defending, said that late on the Sunday night, Davis had started to beat up Turner's sister, Andrea, and both had ended up in hospital for treatment.

Andrea suffered bruises and a scarred knee. Davis had a broken hand.

Arthur Turner arrived in town the next day and heard what had happened. However, he agreed to do nothing that might jeopardise

his position in regard to a suspended prison sentence. (Imposed for a previous assault on Davis causing actual bodily harm)

On the Wednesday ExCo recommended that Davis be deported. This, said Mr Kilmartin, gave the police power to take someone into custody. However, although the decision was taken on the Wednesday, the Governor did not sign the order until late on Friday and it was not served on Davis until after the weekend by which time the two men had met.

"In the circumstances", said Mr Kilmartin, "Mr Davis, walking the streets of Stanley, was a provocation to a number of people, not just Mr Turner."

He submitted that Turner was wrong, Davis was wrong and that the police, Exco, the Governor and the Attorney General's department had all made mistakes.

Confirming the previous three-month sentence and sentencing Turner to another three months to run concurrently, Senior Magistrate, "Mrs Rosie McIlroy, said Davis's hand was bandaged at the time of the incident "and we can safely assume Turner saw that."

Mrs McIlroy went on: "I believe Mr Turner when he tells the

court that he did not intend to hit Mr Davis when he stopped him.

"I believe him when he says he thought Mr Davis was going to strike first.

"But I do not, cannot, believe that the amount of force used was necessary in his defence."

She doubted Mr Turner's evidence when he said that when Davis had walked away from the fight there was nothing wrong with him.

That was not the doctor's view. Turner was a strong, fit young man. Davis was smaller, thinner and had injuries to an arm and hand.

The blow he allegedly struck did not harm Turner.

On the other hand, Dr Cunningham found that Davis had a loose tooth and a swelling on both sides of the neck.

"The only conclusion one can draw from the facts," said Mrs McIlroy, "is that Mr Turner hit Mr Davis not once, as he claimed, but a good number of times, and therefore any defence he had under the self-defence rule is not valid."

Mrs McIlroy also reprimanded Mr Kilmartin, saying she would not have the Governor or the Attorney General's office criticised in her court.

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## Time factor beats B-test driver's claim

WHEN Neil McKay appeared at Stanley charged with having drunk more than the prescribed amount of alcohol when driving, he said he had had his drink after leaving his vehicle but before the police breathalysed him.

The senior magistrate, Mrs Rosie McIlroy, said that in a case of this sort the onus of proof shifted to the defence. McKay had produced no corroborating evidence.

According to a British Medical Association report the Breathalysers would register after between 30 and 90 minutes and the reading would increase for quite a period of time.

Any mouth alcohol that may have been present would, accord-

ing to the authorities, have been dissipated within 20 minutes.

Therefore the case was proved. McKay who was working as a sheep shearer in Goose Green was a valuable member of the Camp community, said Mrs McIlroy. He seemed to think that the police were "after him".

McKay was disqualified for 12 months and fined £200

## Christel is commissioner

CHRISTEL Mercer, chairperson of Stanley's mother-and-toddler club, Jelly Tots is to be the first Commissioner of the newly formed Guides and Brownie association in the Islands.



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## Practise what you preach

IT IS far too early to comment on the ability of our new councillors.

However, one thing is clear. After a speech at the swearing-in ceremony criticising the way information on public matters was disseminated, the councillors themselves make no attempt to keep all the Press informed about what *they* do.

Two of them are now in UK; a meeting was held before they left and a report given to local radio. So far, so good.

However, local radio is not the only medium for spreading news in these Islands.

Why were the rest of us not informed.?

Do the elected members seriously wish to keep the public fully informed of what they are doing (as indeed Cllr Rowlands seems to think proper)? Or are they interested only in forming a small cabal answerable only to themselves and certain chosen members of the media?

They have started off on the wrong foot - all of them. But it is not too late to get back into step.

## Playground

SOME want play-streets; some want an adventure playground; some think today's children get too much given to them anyway.

But the fact remains that unlike children in Camp who have plenty of space in which to run around and make a noise, those in town do not.

Obviously something must be done for them. The swimming pool is a help for some age groups but they have still got to get there and traffic in the capital is becoming heavier and heavier. And more dangerous and more dangerous.

Once again it is a question of cash. Let us hope it is a matter that will be resolved soon.

# Find the treasure for £500 reward

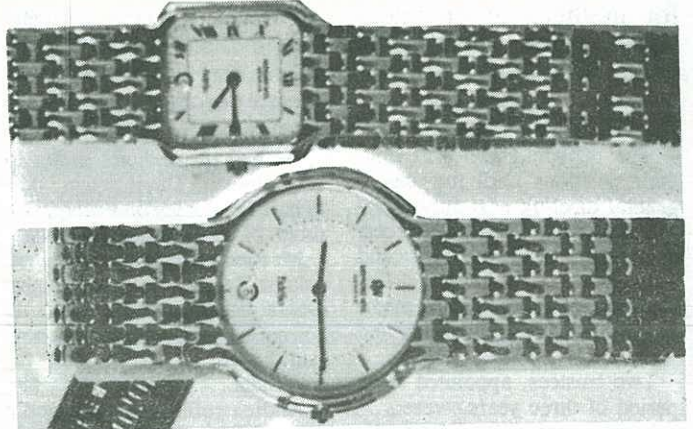
STRICTER security checks are facing all people leaving the Falkland Islands and all outgoing mail is being X-rayed.

This is part of the intense police effort aimed at solving the country's second largest robbery - more than £8,000 worth of jewellery from the Gozomie Box gift shop at Mount Pleasant airport.

The two watches shown here are similar to two of those taken. They are worth around £400 each.

And each has an expandable gold bracelet.

Among other pieces stolen were: two-strand cultured pearl bracelet; three-strand cultured pearl bracelet; gold pin brooch with one pearl slightly off-centre; single cultured pearl pendant on gold chain; heavy gold chain; pearl cluster earrings; blue pearl earrings; pearl brooch in the shape of a



bunch of grapes. These were all by Mikimoto.

A bracelet and necklace made of square flat pieces of gold inlaid with emeralds and made by Attwood Sayer are also missing.

You should also look out for a black crewneck pullover with a Mohair label.

Investigations are being carried out by the Special Investigation Branch of the Royal

Military Police and the Falkland Islands police.

The reward, offered by Kelvin International Services who own the Gozomie Box, is for information leading to the conviction of the thief or thieves.

If you have any information, phone the SIB on Military extension 6328 Or 6738; or ring Stanley civil police on 27222

## Stanley's 'twin' sends a present

AN ornamental paperweight was presented to the Governor, Mr William Fullerton, on behalf of the mayor and townsfolk of Whitby, Yorkshire, Stanley's twin town in England.

Carrying the gift was Sgt C. S. Tonnar who comes from Whitby.

In her letter to the Governor, the Mayor of Whitby, Cllr Dorothy Clegg, said she looked forward to more regular correspondence "with yourself and the people of Port Stanley."

## Two hurt in accident

TWO people were taken to the King Edward Memorial Hospital in Stanley last Sunday following an accident between a motor cycle and a Land-Rover at the junction of John Street and Villiers Street.

However, neither Paul Phillips nor Eva Clarke were detained.

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# STANLEY SWIMMING POOL OPENS QUIETLY . . . TO A HECTIC RUSH

## Plans for adventure on town's Snake Hill

A CAMPAIGN to turn Stanley's Snake Hill into an adventure playground for children is now under way.

A group of interested people - Angela Moffat, Moira Buckland-James, Judy Summers and Margaret Butler - is already checking the viability.

Infant and junior school pupils and teachers have been approached and all are reported keen and coming up with ideas.

It is hoped to fund the venture from business inside and outside the Islands and as a community project.

QUIETLY, almost surreptitiously, after all these years, Stanley's swimming pool opened to the public at mid-day last Monday.

But although the opening may have been low-key, the action certainly was not.

Excluding the schoolchildren from classes Junior 3 and Senior 1, nearly 150 people paid for a swim and of those, 14 bought season tickets.

The children filed down the roads to the pool carrying their FIC plastic shopping bags stuffed with towels and costumes, their eyes alight with excited expectation.

So great was the rush that the superintendent, Jim Fairfield, who was due to go off duty at

3pm, had to stay on until 8.30 to maintain essential lifeguard cover.

"It was pretty hectic," said his wife, Alison, who helps to run the pool. "But we are absolutely delighted."

But Jim's problems did not end at 8.30. A faulty boiler that involved having to lower the water level before replenishing it again, kept him at the pool until after 3am.

Earlier, he and his staff had worn out six wire scrubbing brushes in their efforts to have the pool open by Monday.

That their efforts were all worthwhile was easy to see. Said one happy swimmer: "I really enjoyed it. The water was just right and when I was in the changing rooms I wasn't hit by howling draughts."

Many of the children, too, came back for another go during the public session.

So, at long last, Stanley swimming pool has opened and proved a winner. Early next year, David Wilkie will open it officially. It has been a long haul since the idea was first mooted in a Stanley parish magazine . . . in 1917.

## Schools board members named

THE new Education Board will be made up as follows:-

From the Council, Kevin Kilmartin (chairman)

also representing Camp and Gerrard Robson (Stanley); parents, Mrs C. Mercer (under 12s) and Mr L. Harris (over

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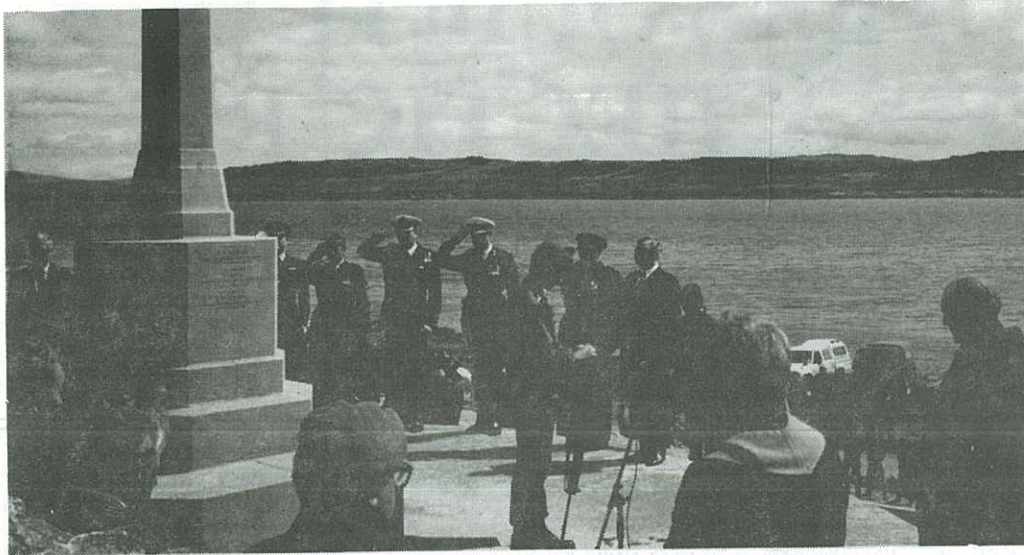
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# We shall remember them



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SERVICEMEN and women from all branches of the armed forces, together with members of the Falkland Islands Defence Force, Guides, Brownies, Scouts and Cubs, paraded at the Cross of Remembrance last

Sunday to commemorate Armistice Day.

The service was conducted by Canon Gerald Murphy of the Church of England and Father John Dorran, one of Stanley's Roman Catholic priests.

Wreaths were laid by the Chief Executive and Acting Governor, Mr Ronald Sampson; the Commander, British Forces, Falkland Islands; members of the armed forces and representatives of such organisations as the Red Cross.

The Last Post and Reveille were played by Sergeant Bob Purvis, Drum Sergeant of the Green Howards, who comes from Whitby, in Yorkshire.

On Saturday, Father John had accompanied 150 members of the Royal Engineers Field Squadron for a service



Drum Sgt Purvis

at the Sapper Memorial on Sapper Hill. The men marched from the Catholic Church.

## Happy Holidays in the Falklands

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# Selling the islands just for the love of them

'I'M AFRAID it's a bit Dickensian,' apologises Mrs Merle Christie as she leads a somewhat intricate way up stairways and along twisting passages to the Falkland Island Association offices in London's Greycoat Place.

Mrs Christie is the association's honorary secretary and she runs the office.

Assisting her are two part-time secretaries, Mrs Kay Hellier and Mrs Gwenda Jones, working on a job-share basis, and an honorary membership secretary, Mrs Joan Martin.

Major General Alan Mills still looks after the books although he has retired as honorary treasurer - a job now carried out by David Powell.

The purely voluntary association sees its job as keeping the Falklands in the public eye, helping the islanders to make their wishes about their future known and providing a back-up service to enable them to do this.

There are about 700 members in the UK although surprisingly few ex-patriate Falkland Islanders have joined.

The association is a direct descendant of the Falkland Islands Emergency Committee formed in 1968 when, even then, proving that things don't change, there were fears that Anglo-Argentine talks might lead to a transfer of sovereignty.

At first it acted like a volunteer Falkland Island Government office dealing with political matters, lobbying and advising on immigration and trade.

Gradually, however, since the opening of the official government office in 1982 it has transferred most of its activities. Now, it is more a private Public Relations operation - its major effort being dedicated to producing the quarterly Falkland Islands Newsletter.

Getting this out can be a major job for such a small organisation. Once Major Ronnie Spafford has edited and prepared the journal and the printer has delivered, it is all hands on deck for the 48-hour job of seeing that each one is correctly addressed and circulated. Nearly 4,000 copies are distributed.

Another useful job carried out by Merle Christie and her team is the fielding of questions that the busy government office really has not the time to answer.

These cover a wide range - from schoolchildren asking for stickers and prospective teachers asking what to wear when they arrive, to a letter from an anxious Iranian surgeon who wanted to see all the information available on the Islands.

But perhaps the most fascinating of them all was the one that set Merle Christie off on an investigation like a real-life private eye.

Last January she received a letter from a man who signed himself 'Bluey' Mottershead. 'Bluey' is the secretary of the old wartime 158 (Bomber) Squadron, RAF, and wanted the association's help in tracing a mid-upper gunner from the Falkland Islands who was stationed with the squadron at Lissett, East Yorkshire, just before the war ended.



Merle Christie . . . Private eye, public relations

The gunner's name was Stephen Courtney. It took Mrs Christie much time and many telephone calls . . . and although she did not actually locate Mr. Courtney, she did the next best thing.

She discovered he was the half-brother of Don Bonner, the governor's chauffeur in Stanley.

She also discovered that Mr Courtney had been born Gleadall but had changed his name.

One of the association's big dreams at the moment is to re-establish the Falkland Islands Exhibition as a permanent display at the Commonwealth Institute in London

But such ideas cost an awful lot of money, says Mrs Christie. And as always, money is in short supply.

Nevertheless, the association has been able to chalk up quite a number of good deeds to its credit. It organised the famous Marplan poll that demonstrated once and for all to the world that the Falkland Islanders wish, overwhelmingly, to remain British.

It has, too, published some useful pamphlets, most notably *The Way Forward* which was sent to every parliamentary candidate before the last general election.

The association also helped to form the The Falkland Islands Foundation, a charity with almost the same aims as the National Trust in Britain, being concerned with wild life and the conservation of historic buildings and wrecks.

It was also instrumental in creating the United Kingdom Falkland Islands trust which has sponsored scholarships and agricultural research in the Islands.

The association, too, was responsible for the appeal in 1982 to assist the Islanders after the conflict and the balance of the money left over

has provided a substantial contribution to the new swimming pool.

One of the association's less successful ventures, through no fault of its own, was in 1978 when it formed the South Atlantic Fisheries Committee, which represented not only the entire British fishing industry, but many consumer organisations as well.

A plan for British commercial fishing in the South Atlantic was put to the government who commissioned a study - only to take no notice of it once it was published.

The association was founded by an informal committee chaired by Mrs Christie's husband, Mr E. W. Hunter Christie, the current chairman of the publications committee, who is a well-known London barrister specialising in maritime affairs.

Mrs Christie became involved when the Argentines invaded. She went to work in the office in order to take some of the load off her husband's shoulders.

In fact most of the present committee seem to have become involved in a rather haphazard way. General Mills, for example, knocked at the Christie front door as soon as the conflict started to ask if he could be of any help.

Others called in at the office.

Mrs Christie visited the islands in 1987 and was able to make contact with her opposite number in Stanley - Mrs Velma Malcolm who is honorary secretary of the local branch of the association.

When the swimming pool is officially opened next year, members of the association will be invited to the ceremony. They will be able to see the facility to which they have contributed so much and meet the islanders whose interests they have worked so hard to promote



A SHIP'S bridge looms above the buildings of the FIC jetty, an ungainly black hull rests alongside the pier: the *Black Pig* is preparing to sail once more. Now, having been laid up for six years, she resembles a scrap boat. Her dirty decks clogged with boats, buoys and cables hardly seem worth a second look.

But not so many years ago, just after the conflict, it was a very different story. For then, her ungainly hull was looked out for by the people of Camp as she appeared on the horizon laden with goodies. For many she was the main link with Stanley and the outside world.

Today, Campers still regard her with affection and nostalgia. Officially she was *HMS Falkland Sound* but to the world at large she was, and always will be, the *Black Pig* - named after the flagship of that redoubtable, if somewhat incompetent pirate, Captain Pugwash, whose exploits used to be recorded on children's television.

It's Steve Beldham who is putting some pride back into the old girl. He has just bought her and plans to use her as a workshop for ship repairs - the fishing fleets being obvious customers.

Steve has been involved with ships more or less since 1977 and his experience includes welding on a Channel ferry, repairing a big boiler on a Polish vessel and fixing up the deck of a British trawler in Holland.

A few weeks ago, in Stanley, he was part of a team of seven workers welding the last Coastel to the barge that was taking it to America.

Steve arrived in the Falklands in September, 1983, attracted by a friend's account of life in the South Atlantic.

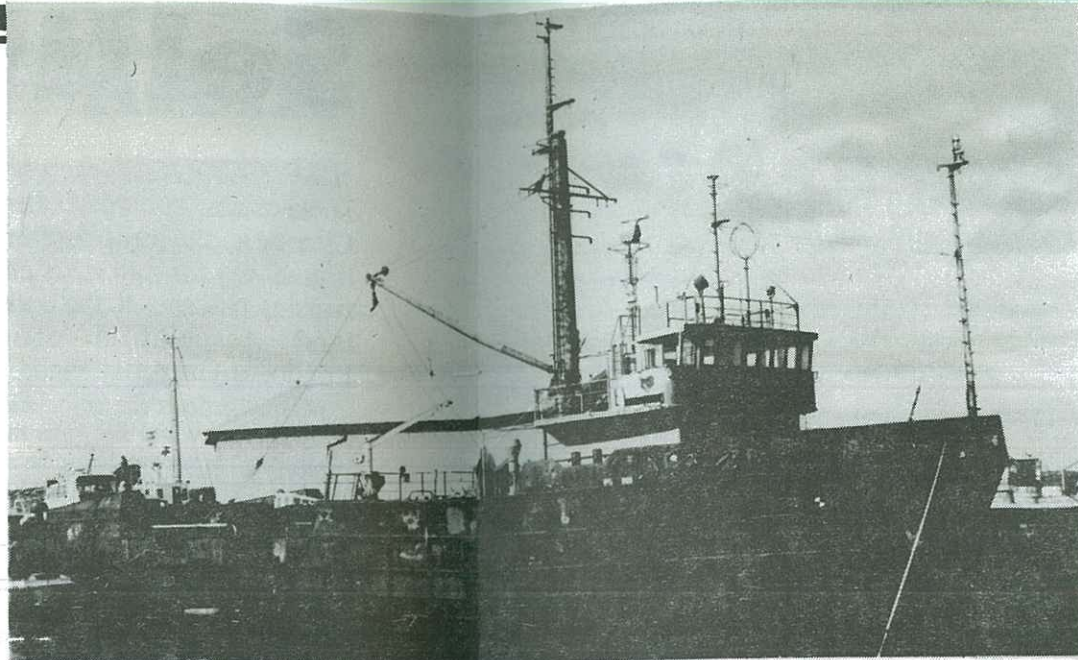
After working for two years at Bluff Cove farm as a general hand and mechanic, he is now living in Stanley.

He spent some time in Europe looking for a suitable ship - one was found in Holland but the first purchaser, an African fishing company without funds, suddenly came up with the money, so he came back to the *Black Pig* project.

He is restoring her and is determined to have her on the move again soon.

"There is a lot of expertise and knowledge in the Islands," says Steve who has received many offers of help

THE good ship *Black Pig* (right) has found its own niche in Falklands history. Here FRANCOISE de la BERNARDIE, herself a sailor, investigates the past, the present and the future of the ship with many names - *Yehuín*, *HMS Falkland Sound*, *Black Pig* - and tells of the man whose ambition it is to refloat her... and of that invisible crew member whose only record is a note in the galley.



## Somewhere a ship's captain must be wondering what has happened to his ship



The reality: Still a long way to go before all its shipshape and Bristol fashion... Some of the mess Steve must clear before the ship can be ready for sea

# The Black Pig and ship's ghost



The dream: Steve on the bridge of *Black Pig*

## prepare for yet another exciting life at sea

locally. "People are fed up with massive economic failures involving ships and so look favourably upon the *Black Pig* venture which is done locally and privately without aid of any kind."

After the initial shock at the current state of the ship which had been heavily

vandalised, Steve spent 10 days surveying every corner and started work with four or five friends.

Things are now moving along. One of the 950hp German-made MWM twin engines is already running after six years of silence.

To make up or adapt the missing parts took four people a full week's work.

Steve did not inherit any papers and the mass of Spanish, German and British spare parts dumped in a corner has yet to be sorted out. And this is where his three years' accumulation of equipment comes in handy. As anyone who has had to fix up a boat without any chance of new parts will know, a junk yard is paradise.

A generator installed by the Royal Navy is in working order. Two more will be needed but should be easy to find.

There are the essential controls on the bridge, two good anchors and the hull is sound - so what's a bit of rust when the steel is 15mm thick?

The nine cabins, galley and head are beginning to look viable again. Every day brings its share of good surprises (a locker full of chain in good condition) or bad news (another locker full of oil that has leaked from a vital part). All in all, moral is high on board.

Built in 1967 in Hamburg, the 900-grt ship started her career in Germany. She was then found in Singapore in 1973. Later as the *Yehuín* - a Patagonian Indian name? - she was run by GeomatterSA of Buenos Aires as an oil rig supply ship in the South Atlantic, bringing crew changes, food, fuel, water and cement.

These supply ships were sometimes called mud boats as instead of cement

they occasionally carried bentonite, which, when mixed with water makes a sort of mud used to pour down the wells and hold down the oil.

The year 1981 saw *Yehuín's* involvement with the Falklands. On March 6, a FIGAS pilot on a normal run from Stanley to Lively Island via Beaver and New Islands with a party of Royal Marines on board spotted her tucked away in French Harbour on Weddell Island. He landed the plane near enough to read the ship's name, then reported the incident.

HMS *Endurance* sent a plane to investigate and found the captain's excuses of radio trouble and being blown 400 miles off course in heavy gales unconvincing.

The ship was ordered to sail immediately and disappeared for a year. Officials wondered whether she had been testing the British ability to de-

tect strange ships in Falkland waters.

One afternoon in early May, 1982, *Yehuín* suddenly reappeared in Port Stanley, none the worse for having run the British blockade.

"She just moored alongside the government jetty and unloaded," recalls John Smith. "She was carrying numerous containers and the aft deck was awash with the weight of her mysterious cargo."

The owner-captain - "a pleasant rogue" according to one Islander who met him, had elected to stay on board under the Argentine navy's orders rather than have his ship commandeered and taken from him. Unfortunately for him, shortly after his arrival he fell from the bridge and broke his back. He spent some time in hospital and was flown home two weeks before the conflict ended. (Is he still wondering what happened to his ship?)

On June 15, 1982, she was captured intact and taken over by a crew from *HMS Fearless*. Renamed *HMS Falkland Sound* she operated for a short time taking water and stores to ships in Berkeley Sound and ferrying troops to the *Canberra* for return to the UK.

Then, for two years, she sailed up and down the harbours as a dustbin boat gathering garbage from the accommodation ships and dumping it far away in the ocean: an undistinguished but important job.

Painted black all over and decked with the house flags of each of the ships, the foul-smelling craft came to be known fondly as the *Black Pig*. She

flew her own house flag, displaying a black pig, of course, and only missed a black pig figurehead to resemble her much-feared pirate namesake.

From 1984 to 1986 things were not so good. Captain Pugwash would have been furious. For the good ship *Black Pig* was laid up at Navy Point and visited only by vandals.

FIC bought her in 1986. Towed by the tug *Lively* to her current mooring, she has not moved for three years. She has been used for storing fuel and as a dock for small boats.

Then, in August this year, Steve rescued her from a possible bleak ending as a practice gunnery target.

He proposes to keep the name *Black Pig* - although he looks nothing whatever like Captain Pugwash.

Steve loves the challenge and fun of his new project and goes about his business undeterred by the invisible ship's ghost.

Ghost? Apparently it does exist. I am an incurable romantic and went aboard full of expectations. However, it was morning and I gather the ghost does not like daylight.

Little is known of his history. An Argentine crew member named Perez is known to have hanged himself somewhere aboard. But the only trace of his presence is to be found on a list in the galley, detailing, among other names: Perez - coffee - 2 sugar.

Perhaps one day a screaming cook will let fly a pot of stew and, thanks to Perez' ghost, the crew will have to go hungry.

As a mariner, the sight of a static ship saddens me and I hope that soon we shall see the *Black Pig* back in full splendour sailing off... perhaps for South Georgia? Good luck, Steve!

Too heavy to steal or vandalise... the propellers, at least, are still intact and frame Steve as he goes about his business of restoration





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# Diary of a Farmer's Wife

OR AN EVERYDAY STORY OF CAMP FOLK

## Just how many lives does a baby chicken have, I wonder?

A DETERMINED little black hen has just hatched 11 out of 14 self-set eggs - a lovely colourful assortment of yellow, black and stripey bundles of fluff, all hell-bent on escaping the maternal clutches (if you'll pardon the pun).

I spend half my time blocking off exits that would defy a black beetle and yet still they appear triumphantly on the wrong side of the run, accompanied by squawks and shrieks from mum.

One particularly noisy outburst alerted me to the fact that Floss the dog had a chick cradled between her paws. She was lying there admiring her trophy when I let out a war whoop that sent her scurrying for cover, new-found friend between jaws.

Rapidly adopting reverse tactics, I told her what a clever dog she was and conned her into bouncing back, tail furiously wagging, to deposit her prize unharmed in my hands. Now thinking of training her as a gun dog.

That same chick obviously has a death wish as it was later rescued from our cats, Cleo and Proper, when a good 50 yards away from mum.

Not sure how many lives chicks

have, but that little chap must be running out fast.

And still the wind blows . . . but at least it's been dry and the shearers are getting a good start to the season. With sub-division, the number of sheds to be visited is increasing, making the logistics of travel and the like more complicated. Perhaps it's more interesting for the gangs now that they spend less time in one place - only they could say.

The two pups helped to bring in the mutton yesterday - great fun for them as they are both as keen as mustard.

They conveniently forgot the "down" command, dropping as

and when they themselves saw fit.

Eventually the Boss and I grabbed a squirming, enthusiastic bundle each and let matronly Fly get on with the serious work.

Sam and Floss live in our porch - heaven for inventive pups with all those wellies, boots, brooms and assorted jackets to be tackled and subdued.

The Boss can frequently be seen hopping round the garden in search of a missing boot, muttering sweet nothings. (At least, I think they are sweet nothings).

November 7

Just returned from a weekend break with friends - a short splashy boat ride and Rover trip away.

Bought a nice mare to swell our small troop (now deloused by the way).

Good to see how another farm is developing with the various problems of house, gardens, shearing shed and the rest being gradually overcome.

Had an excellent beach bonfire to roast Mr Fawkes and found that flattish rocks thrown on to embers make satisfying clouds of sparks - homemade fireworks.

Next day we had a barbecue - a huge feed washed down with hot toddies and wine.

An early start this morning got us home before breakfast all the better for our break.

## Some shopkeepers really want to have jam on it

BECAUSE I believe in the equality of the sexes and a fair distribution of the workload, I do most of the washing, ironing, dishes, vacuuming, while my husband does most of the shopping and cooking and the children do little bits of everything.

It's because I don't do much shopping that I've probably taken longer than most people to realise things are not all they should be on the food front.

I suppose it's been the gradual progression towards tedious meals, empty cupboards, uninspired freezer and only milk and lettuce in the fridge that eventually prompted me to ask: Why?

Why had I not eaten cornflakes, Special K, Crunchy Nut, tasted fresh orange juice, Double Gloucester, Flora, indulged in ice cream, frozen chips or a packet of crisps (other than the foul out-of-date ones) for absolutely ages?

I was promptly told by my husband that there was precious little on the shelves in the shops and the situation had been like that for nearly two months.

Undaunted, I pursued the matter.

I argued that there was a ship into the Islands every month. Why wasn't this facility being utilised?

I admitted that there had been times in the past when shops

## WOMAN ABOUT TOWN

carried less on the shelves and folk still got by. Did that mean we should strive to improve standards?

I suggested folk were earning more and spending it. They wanted to eat healthy and have variety of choice. Were shop managers out of step with current trends in the Islands?

A bit of forward planning or market research wouldn't go amiss.

I pointed out that just because folk were earning more they didn't want to be cheated out of it. And if 99p for a jar of jam wasn't a rip-off, what was?

(Can the shop in question justify that price? Allowing for freight charges and generous mark-up I consider 63p more than enough for a jar of jam).

Thoroughly disillusioned by Stanley shops, I went to the Church Bazaar and stocked up on pastries, cakes and biscuits.

### KNITTING KITS



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# Pressure on £ cuts wool prices

## MARKET COMMENTARY

THE US dollar opened the week higher and better than anticipated US employment data.

This reduced the short-term chances of the Fed (Federal Reserve Bank) easing interest rates.

Sterling opened higher against major currencies following the sharp falls caused by political uncertainty. And overall, the US dollar showed a slight weakening against the £.

Locally, the international movements made little impact. Deposit rates are easing but expected to stay around the same level.

The US producer price index will be released soon and this may give the situation impetus.

MORE wool money is arriving in the Islands but prices have dropped due to pressure on sterling coupled with a drop in demand.

Meanwhile several new commercial projects have started locally or are due to start shortly.

These include the opening of a photographic printing and developing business, the consideration of a dry-cleaning business and the purchase of a small boat for general lighterage.

Several other projects await the results of the forthcoming (first season) fishing licence allocation.

On the consumer side, lending continues to be steady with vehicles and personal expenditure topping the list.

There is a growing demand,

too, for housing with both new and old stock in demand. Home improvements and extensions also continue to be popular.

Since our last issue, the local bank's UK general manager, Mr John Davidson and the director, City office, Mr Robin Christie, visited the islands.

Mr Davidson is Standard Chartered Bank's most senior official to visit the Falklands and his arrival reflected the importance of the bank in the Islands.

Various meetings were held, some with local businessmen, government officials and local representatives of the fishing and agricultural sectors.

The visitors also went to Goose Green, further trips to camp being hindered by lack of flights.

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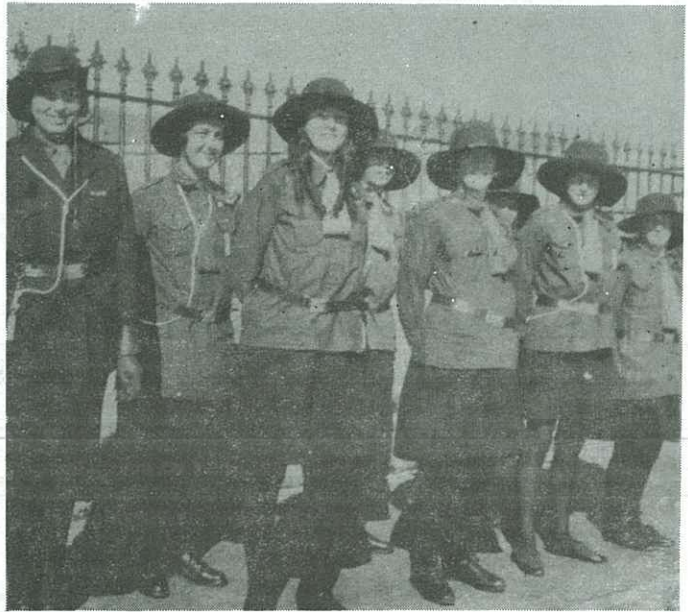
# LETTERS

WRITE TO **Penguin News** with your views and comments. The Editor reserves the right to shorten letters for legal or any other reason he considers valid.



## Recognise yourself?

IN OUR article about the new Girl Guides Association which appeared in the last issue of *Penguin News* we said non-one seemed to know when the last Brownies or Guides existed here. Now Mrs Betty Miller has written to tell us - and enclosed two photographs to prove her point. She says: "The first troop of Girl Guides was formed and run by Mrs Marjorie Williams (of Estate Louis Williams - i.e. Waverley House) and Miss Alice Felton in 1929 and carried on by Miss Betty Felton from 1930 until she married in 1933." Miss Betty Felton is, of course, Mrs Betty Miller now. The pictures show a picnic at Hell's Kitchen, Sapper's Hill, and Church Parade in Stanley, 1930. Are you in the picture? Let us know.



## These roads are meant for driving

I THINK the *Woman about Town* has got it wrong. Firstly, G. Forbes is constructing new roads. Secondly, children should be taught *not* to play on the street. The real and theoretical drunk driver and speedster are being controlled by the police. What the woman really wants is a "play park for children at the west end of town", better equipped than the one in the centre and with a "long, smooth surface(s)" for bikes and things.

What we need first are new roads. *Woman about Town* appears fortunate enough to live close to the racecourse and the common for her children to play on and in future her children will have the concrete areas around the "new hostel" for their bikes, once the construction of the road is completed. I have and am raising my children on a hill

in town . . . they play in the yard. Gold stars for Cable & Wireless. Those without phones on line should give them a break - all right?

The Governor is into the clean up Stanley bit. I agree. I try to keep my property as neat as possible given the time and situation. So let's have the FIG clear their trash off their land.

Start with the shed and things on Ross Road West, the Industrial Triangle, Hillside Camp, along by the by-pass, Ross Road East along the waterfront, around the YPF and the biggest mess - Megabid.

Not only trash removal is needed. The removal of rusty sheds and fences or their rehabilitation, too. That takes time and money.

This applies to the private sector as well. The two-edged sword is required: house improvement grants to help the willing and fines to encourage those that are not. I agree with Mrs Potter. I told the

Planning/Building Committee that I thought *all* applications for office and commercial premises should be required to have car park areas.

This police thing is the talk of the town. Mr Luxton's speech; Richard Stevens' letter. The courts seem to have been very busy recently with several drink-related offences. More skulking? Better detection? Fire where there is smoke? GILES MERCER, Stanley.

## PEN PALS

*Penguin News* has been receiving letters from people seeking pen pals in the Falkland Islands.

If any reader would like a pen pal, please contact the office.

Apart from the Ghanaians featured in our last issue, we have a 20-year-old Norwegian lad willing to write to anyone "between 0-100" and a mother of two teen-agers whose hobby, appropriately enough, is wildlife.

This lady comes from Mill Hill in North London.

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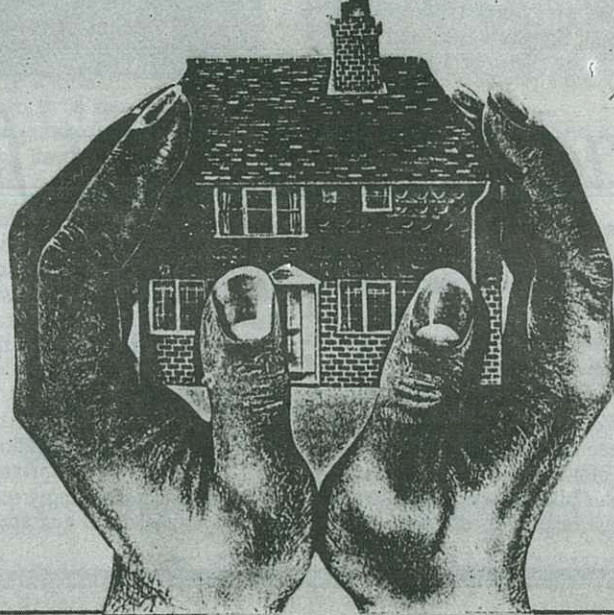
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## Goose Green triumph for Kevin

KEVIN Clapp justified his pre-championship support by winning the Goose Green individual knock-out tournament. He beat Tony McMullen 3 - 1 in an exciting, if not spectacular final.

June McMullen who led the Ladies' Individual table all season easily won her final by beating Liz Shepherd 3 - 0.

Clapp turned back the anticipated challenge of former Governor's Cup winner Ian Clarke when he won their quarter-final clash 2 - 0.

He had expected to meet Goose Green's Number 2 player, Brian Hewitt, in the semi-final. Surprisingly, however, Brian went out 2 - 1 to young Jason Alazia who then went on to win a leg from Tony McMullen.

The other quarter-final produced something of a surprise when Brian Aldridge beat John Lee 2 - 0 before going down by the same figures to the tournament champion.

# Soccer buoyant despite cash flow problems and prospect of short season

THE soccer season looks like starting very soon. And everyone is keen.

The annual general meeting which usually attracts half-a-dozen members this year pulled in 20.

The club accounts were presented by treasurer George Summers and showed that the cost of running football in the Islands is outweighing the income from donations and subscriptions.

A fund-raising scheme is now being put together and, hopefully, this will keep the club going.

Despite a generous offer of sponsorship from three companies, the cost of footballs, nets, shirts, shorts and socks increases every year.

With the new school about to be built on the soccer pitch, players are resigned to the possibility of



a short season.

Nevertheless, they are looking forward to the new pitch which will be built in conjunction with the school and will have a six-lane running track skirting the perimeter.

So the traditional area for playing local soccer will be maintained. Furthermore, a syn-

thetic surface means it will be possible to play football 10 months of the year.

The advantages this will offer, particularly to schoolchildren, are enormous.

Meanwhile, plans are going ahead for this season and the popular *Marrs Knockout Cup* which offers military units a chance to play in Stanley is expected to be the highlight once again, although the local team who reached the final last year will also be anxious to retain the *Shield* against HMS Endurance.

Patrick Watts will again run the Stanley 1st team in addition to taking up the duties of chairman. Gary Tyrell remains as secretary and George Summers will again look after the club's financial affairs.

Adrian Lowe, Glen McIlvray and Glen Ross were also elected to the committee.

The prospect of extending the *League* competition to four teams instead of the usual three is being discussed, while subscriptions have been raised to £10 for adults and £3 for schoolboys to keep abreast of rising costs.

## Will wins prove a handicap?

MAL Eglon, skipper of the fuel vessel *Oil Mariner* is in grave danger of having his handicap severely pruned.

He has just won the last two major events on Stanley golf course.

Eglon shot a round of 66 to triumph in the *Merchant Providence* cup, an 18-hole stroke play competition for which the prizes were presented by Laing-Mowlem-ARC Joint Venture, the companies that built the Mount Pleasant airport complex and military barracks.

In the 18-hole *Stableford Kelvin Cup* contest, sponsored by Kelvin International Services, Eglon had just one point to spare over Jim Stewart and Robert Titterington who tied for the runner-up position with 38 points each.

But Stewart was awarded second place after a countback.

Oddly enough the first three home in the *Kelvin Cup* were similarly placed in the *Merchant*

*Providence Cup* which at one stage was threatened with abandonment when a 20-minute squall of sleet and hail hit the 25 players out on the course.

After some time, the first local players are emerging on the prize list with Tony McMullen of Goose Green being "nearest the pin at the 16th hole," while John Teggart has impressed during practice and should soon be among the prizes.

Kelvin International who have supported the club since its rebirth after the conflict, not only provided the prizes for the competition it sponsored, it also put on a superb buffet at the Colony Club for the players and their families.

Several women have now got the golfing bug and have joined Eileen Davis who, for some time, has fought a lone battle. Nikki Summers, Shirley Dey and Jenny Cox have all recently hit the prize list with Mrs Davis.

## Johnnie wins our T-shirt £5

WINNER of what to do with the unfunny T-shirt was Johnnie Blyth of Stanley.

Johnnie's entry was one of the few printable ones we received. And we did stipulate *clean*.

He wants the T-shirt displayed in the West Store or Post Office and under the words: "I was sentenced to four months in the Falklands!" he wants to add: "Where there is freedom of movement (and) NO pollution; car bombs; letter bombs; ambushes; shootings; muggings."

Johnnie's fiver will be on its way as quickly as possible.





**INTER-SERVICE RUGBY**

# Army and RAF draw in high wind

THE contest kicked off at 10am in conditions more suitable for speed wind-surfing than football.

However, it was soon apparent that the weather would not deter either Army or Navy and after only 20 minutes the Army ran in a neat try.

But after only a few minutes of the second half the Navy equalised. However, the Army back row could not be contained and their work at the coalface released their backs who crossed for two further unconverted tries to bring the score to 14 - 6.

Then it was the turn of the Navy against the RAF. After their success in the Inter-Service sevens, the RN believed they could beat the RAF again. But the Air Force forwards dominated the Navy backs, denying them possession. The final score was: Navy 10 RAF 20.

by **PETTY OFFICER GES LAKER**

In the final, between the Army and Air Force, it was obvious from the start that no prisoners would be taken.

The Army, with the wind in their faces managed to keep the RAF's half-time score to 8 - 4.

As in the last game, every time their backs ran the ball they looked like scoring.

However, a change of tactics by the RAF denied the Army backs any possession as they mauled, rucked and rolled their way up the park. In the end, the clock was on overtime and the referee waiting for the next infringement when the Army grabbed an opportunity and crossed to level.

However, the conversion was charged down and the game finished in an 8 - 8 draw.

# Stars at night are big and bright, deep in the heart of Stanley

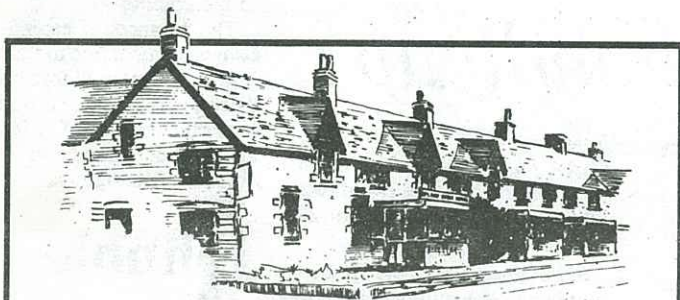


STANLEY'S May Queen, Daniella Watson pressed a plunger and . . . *whoomph!* . . . the town's Guy Fawkes bonfire burst into flames. Ex-pats from the UK, used to standing around in soggy playing fields and damp back gardens waiting

impressed.

As the fire began to fire more than £2,000 worth of fireworks went off in 12 minutes. It was a spectacular display and all over before the children became bored or cold.

It was all organised by John and Wendy Teggart who are already preparing for next year.



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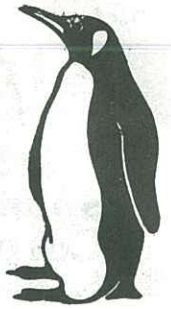
A SCENE at the cathedral bazaar held in Stanley Town Hall. Organised by Miss Viv Perkins, the event raised £3,875.

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## PETROL AND DIESEL COST UP



*Major Tony is at MPA to help . . .*

A GUNNER major is the new Civil/Military Liaison Officer at Mount Pleasant.

Major J. A. (Tony) Bleakley (pronounced Blakely) is on his second tour in the Islands. Last time he was responsible for land operations.

This time he is the point of contact for any civilian who has a problem with the military or feels the services might be able to help him.

Sometimes Major Bleakley is dealing with complaints from a landowner, at others he is organising assistance at a lamb marking or with farm fencing.

"Our task," he says, "is to defend these Islands. And if you have a military presence accidental problems are inevitable.

"My job is to help and advise and foster understanding and mutual trust."

Major Bleakley will be here for a year. His last posting? Cambridge University where he was taking his Master of Philosophy in International Relations. The subject of his thesis was "The Use of Military Power in South Africa." He is already a BA.

His extension at MPA is 4236.

PETROL and diesel prices have gone up. An extra 5p went on a litre of petrol on November 20.

An extra penny goes on a litre of diesel from today.

This is the first increase in petrol prices since Stanley Services took over distribution a year ago.

The rise has had to come because the MoD, who are the only wholesale suppliers in the Islands have put up their price to Stanley Supplies by 4.3p gallon.

The final price to the public is controlled by a formula which is part of a general agreement between the company and the Falkland Islands Government.

From today, diesel is back to 20p a litre - the price it was when Stanley Services took over the distribution.

This price is also controlled by the company - FIG agreement.

A spokesman for Stanley Services said that until an oil depot is built which could be supplied from the sea the company would have to rely on the MoD for supplies.

"However," he went on,

"There are plans to build an oil depot near FIPASS.

"This would allow the company to source the products at the most competitive prices and would undoubtedly link in with the company's bunkering operation which takes place in Berkeley Sound."

The spokesman was keen to stress that since Stanley Services had started to distribute fuel in the Islands the MoD had always been "helpful and very co-operative."

*Penguin News* understands that when the depot is in operation it would be possible for whoever is buying the island's fuel to shop around on the international market for supplies.

## Bomb men called to Camp fire

STANLEY firemen who rushed to deal with a fire at Cortley Hill called in bomb disposal experts when they discovered the blaze was close to old Argentinian positions which may have contained live ammunition.

Such a call is routine in such a situation. No live ammunition was found.

Firemen reached the fire - on the other side of the valley from Wireless Ridge - within 20 minutes.

They used the water from Stanley Harbour using three pumps and 26 lengths of hose. Each length is 25 metres.

Said Chief Fire Officer Marvin Clarke: "We got there just as it was about to roaring off."

## STOP PRESS

EYNON (Page 5)

Stanley Trawlers awarded short term loligo licence

Eynon said: "I am happy with the outcome although it's been a lot of work to get it.

"But I'm back in action again."

## FAMILY IS DEPORTED

A MOTHER of three children, including a girl of seven, is being deported from the Falkland Islands. The children will, therefore, have to go too.

Richard Cooke, a former project manager on the Jersey Estate has been asked to leave the country. His wife, Sandra, has been told to go.

Mr Cook says that none of the family has broken any law and that he stands to loose about £25,000 as a result of having to move. He intends to pursue the matter further on arrival in the UK. Mrs Cooke was formerly Mrs Sandra Villalon.

A senior Government spokesman said the deportation was the result of a peculiarly difficult domestic situation and had only been actioned after much heart-searching.

**OUR TELEPHONE: 22684**





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The British Forces Broadcasting Service

*Penguin News* regrets that for reasons outside its control it will be possible to publish only one week's television programmes in each of the next few issues. It is hoped that this situation will be put right in the New Year

### FRIDAY, December 1

- 6.00 COUNT DUCKULA
- 6.20 THE REAL GHOSTBUSTERS
- 6.40 A.L.F. Comedy with an Alien Life Form.
- 7.05 CLOSE TO HOME
- 7.30 CORONATION STREET
- 7.55 AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS. New documentary series with Nigel Palin taking the place of Phileas Fogg.
- 8.45 BROOKSIDE
- 9.30 FRUIT MACHINE Film in which a runaway witnesses a murder.

### SATURDAY, December 2

- 6.00 POP SPOT
- 6.30 NOEL EDMONDS SATURDAY ROADSHOW
- 7.15 ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL
- 8.05 RUSS ABBOT features the 'World Chess Championship'
- 8.35 ONE DAY IN THE LIFE OF TELEVISION Insight into one day's activity behind the scenes.
- 10.25 SATURDAY NIGHT CLIVE Clive James looks at other people's TV

### SUNDAY, December 3

- 4.10 SUNDAY SPORT Rugby: Barbarians v All Blacks. American football.
- 6.00 SCARECROW AND MRS KING
- 6.45 HIGHWAY Harry Secombe visits Morecambe Bay.
- 7.15 EASTENDERS Intruder at the Vic.
- 8.15 IN THE HIGHEST TRADITION In Battle: The British soldier fights for his mates and his regiment and never forgets those who do not return.
- 8.45 HOWARD'S WAY
- 9.35 BLIND DATE hosted by Cilla Black.
- 10.15 SPITTING IMAGE Exclusive Parliamentary coverage.
- 10.40 INSIDE STORY Children's dreams.

### MONDAY, December 4

- 6.00 SCOOBY DOO
- 6.20 SPORTSMASTERS
- 6.45 THE CHART SHOW Non-stop videos.
- 7.30 CORONATION STREET
- 7.55 FRENCH FIELDS
- 8.20 TANAMERA: LION OF SINGAPORE

- 9.10 THE TROUBLE WITH JOAN COLLINS The star tells of her best and worst times
- 10.00 NAKED VIDEO How to create fusion in your living room
- 10.30 WORLD IN ACTION Parts of the Berlin wall come tumbling down.

### TUESDAY, December, 5

- 6.00 THE SNORKS
- 6.10 BEADLE'S ABOUT
- 6.35 THE KRYPTON FACTOR
- 7.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
- 7.30 DAD'S ARMY The one where the German pilot gets stuck on the town clock.
- 8.00 THE BILL
- 8.25 DES O'CONNOR TONIGHT Guests include Freddie Starr.
- 9.15 CASUALTY.
- 10.05 BLACKADDER GOES FORTH
- 10.35 FILM '89 Barry Norman reviews *New York Stories*, *Great Balls of Fire* and *Parenthood*

### WEDNESDAY, December 6

- 6.00 LOST IN SPACE
- 6.50 NEWSVIEW For the week ending December 2.
- 7.30 CORONATION STREET
- 7.55 RAPIDO
- 8.25 CHALLENGE ANNEKA
- 9.05 'ALLO 'ALLO
- 9.35 MOTHER LOVE
- 10.30 THE PLANETS Is there a planet beyond Pluto?

### THURSDAY, December 7

- 6.00 FIRST OF THE SUMMER WINE New series tells of Compo, Wally and Seymour when young.
- 6.30 DOCTOR WHO: The Curse of Fenric
- 6.55 BOB'S FULL HOUSE
- 7.30 TOP OF THE POPS
- 8.00 THE BILL Nothing goes right for P.c. Edwards.
- 8.25 TOP GEAR
- 8.55 A QUESTION OF SPORT
- 9.25 SARACEN
- 10.10 FLOYD'S AMERICAN PIE New series about food.
- 10.40 SCENE HERE BFG magazine programme

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# Situation vacant in Stanley

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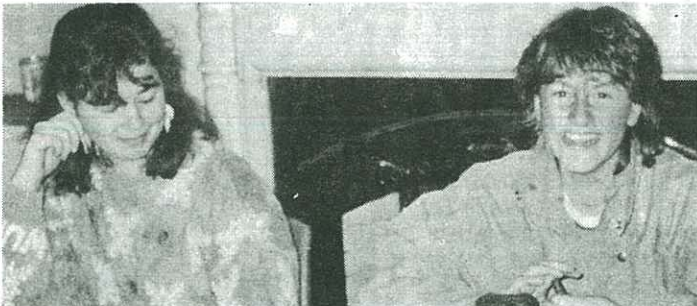
MEET 11-year-old Tracy Evans, the voice behind the radio commercial advertising Stanley House open day which raised £284 on November 18.

Tracy - from Saunders Island - is no stranger to this sort of thing. She once appeared on a video that was shown on John Craven's Newsround on BBC television.

The script for the commercial was written by the deputy head of Stanley House, Lorraine McGill. Tracy was tutored by Sheila Summers.

But despite her good clear voice, Tracy has no intention of going into acting as a career.

Tracy: Voice of Stanley House



Alison Alazia of Fox Bay East and Amanda Forster of Bold Cove

Anglo-United, the current owners of the Falkland Islands Company, are seeking a chief executive to be resident in Stanley.

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One man who will not be applying is Mr Terry Spruce, Stanley manager of FIC, who heard about the advertisement just 48 hours before it appeared in the *Financial Times*.

"It's not a surprise offer," he said, "when you take into consideration the background of Anglo. The possibility of the company being run from here was discussed during the recent visit of Mr Muirhead."

"I would assume the Chief Executive would report direct to the board of Anglo which would mean on the spot control instead of going through someone in the UK and then on to the board."

### Swim trophy

A TROPHY for the swimmer making most improvement during the year has been presented to Stanley swimming pool by McAdam Design.

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## How the licences were allocated

Finfish		
COMPANY	LIC	MONTHS
Okeanski Ribolov	two	9
Stanmarr	one	1
SAFCO	one	5
Dalmor	one	3
Gryf	three	7
ADAPI	two	10
Fortuna/ANAC	two	8
ANAMER	six	17
ASPE	one	5
Beauchene	two	7

Illex		
COMPANY	FLAG	LIC
Okeanski Ribolov	Bulgaria	1
CTC	Japan	8
Fortuna/JDSTA	Japan	3
JBG/KSJ	Japan	12
Marr (FI) KSJ	Japan	21
Witte Boyd/OSA	Japan	29
Marr (FI) Daewang	Korea	2
Berkeley Sound/FIKO	Korea	8
Fortuna/KOSAC	Korea	7
JBG/KOSAC	Korea	7
Witte Boyd/KOSAC	Korea	6
Southern Cross	Korea	2
Dalmor	Poland	4
Gryf	Poland	4
Odra	Poland	5
ANAMER	Spain	1
ASPE	Spain	1
JBG/FCF	Taiwan	4
Southern Cross/FCF	Taiwan	3
Witte Boyd/FCF	Taiwan	8
Fortuna/Go-Rising	Taiwan	6
Marr/Go-Rising	Taiwan	6

Loligo		
COMPANY	FLAG	LIC
SAFCO	Britain	1
Stanmarr	Falklands	1
SWB	Falklands	1
Kastor	Greece	2
Federpesca	Italy	2
CTC	Japan	1
RVNZ	N'lands	1
Dalmor	Poland	1
Gryf	Poland	1
Odra	Poland	1
ADAPI	Portugal	3
Fortuna/ANAC	Spain	1
ANAMER	Spain	7
Argos/ARCOMAR	Spain	2
ASPE	Spain	1
S'dore & Fishery	Spain	1
Polar	Spain	1
Southern Fisheries	Spain	1

## £350 givent to youth project

RAF Mount Pleasant Charities Committee is to give £350 to the Falklands Youth Committee, chaired by the Governor's wife, Mrs Arlene Fullerton

The money will go to a special project for 15-to-25-year-olds.

Meanwhile gifts bought with money raised by the MPA Ladies Luncheon Club have arrived.

Stanley Nursery School has received exciting-looking instruction kits from the Early Learning Centre while the Infant/Junior school now owns some large construction sets.

The Seniors have fine new sports trophies.

# Eynon bitter over fish licence refusal

LOCAL fishing companies are reasonably pleased with the way this season's licences have been allocated.

Says John Cheek, of the Association of Falkland Islands Fishing Industry: "It's progress towards what we would like - 23 to 24 per cent have been granted to local companies which is an improvement - but we would like to see at least 50 per cent.

"We would like to see more money coming in without expenditure by our exchequer."

Mr Cheek also feels that the policy laid down for the granting of licenses is ambiguous and that this can lead to ill-feeling and unnecessary disappointment.



Eynon ... disappointed

In fact, the Association is taking up the case of South Atlantic Marine Services run by David Eynon.

SAMS' subsidiary Stanley

Trawlers had a licence last season but was refused one for this.

So sure was Mr Eynon of receiving a licence that he had a Norwegian vessel - *Juvel* - ready to sail on a time charter.

Part of the agreement with the Norwegians was that he should provide 25 per cent of the crew - which, he says, could have included Falkland Islanders.

Mr Eynon is bitter about not getting a licence.

"The policy is weak and wishy-washy," he says. "It says 'strong emphasis will be placed on Falkland Island involvement in the fisheries' - yet mine is the only company to have been involved either indirectly or directly right from the beginning."

## Welcome to Anne Boye

THE Falkland Islands Company says the Danish ship *Anne Boye* will replace the *AES* for the pre-Christmas wool run.

*Anne Boye* is "fractionally bigger" than *AES* and will sail from Shoreham in the UK.

## Councillors learn the Shetland way

BACK from the UK after the disappointing non-opening of Falkland House are Cllrs Norma Edwards and Harold Rowlands.

But their journey was not all wasted. Part of their time was spent in the Shetland Isles where they were able to study how another small island community dealt with the problems and benefits of sudden wealth.

"They handled their money so well," says Mrs Edwards. "They set up a trust fund from which a great many things of benefit to everyone were funded.

"Although it's too late for us, now, for the fishing, if there is going to be oil here we can learn a lot and I feel we should keep up contact anyway.

"They were very open with us. The vice-convenor of the council, Willy Tait, used to work in the whaling industry in South Georgia."

The two councillors met interested MPs - both for and against the Falklands - and liaised with the Foreign Press Association. They also visited Imperial College where most of the fishery research concerning the protection zone is carried out.

Mrs Edwards was also very impressed with the work of the Falkland Island Association (profiled in our last issue).

"They are doing a marvellous job for us over there," says Mrs Edwards. "They are the best PR of all and they need all the support we can give them.

"But they do have money difficulties and I do feel that we on the Islands should help them as much as we can - particularly with their magazine."

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### Voice of the Falklands

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## A school by any other name

WE seem to have hit a slight semantic problem out here in the Falklands.

In his interview with *Penguin News* the Governor described the new senior school to be built in Stanley as a "Rolls Royce" of schools.

Of course, it is not for *Penguin News* to put words into His Excellency's mouth, but for "Rolls Royce" we understood him to mean "bloody nice"

However, Governors cannot use phrases like that.

But whatever he may have meant, his remarks have upset the local educational establishment and we have a strong letter on the subject on our Letters page.

But what does it all mean? Does it matter by which label the school is described?

Surely the point is that someone, somewhere, had the good sense and foresight to order a school of which the current generation can be proud and in which future generations of Islanders will be able to learn without feeling they were second-class citizens in some old shack.

This is a time for celebration, not a semantic squabble. You have only to turn to our centre spread in this issue to see that this new school deserves more than hard words.

*Penguin News* has been thinking hard about all this and has come to the conclusion that perhaps it is not a Rolls-Royce school, nor a damn (whoops! Sorry) good school, but a Re-built Official Location for Learning and Science - or even a Really Ordinary Youth Centre for Education.

After that, we gave up. Perhaps some of our readers can think of a better name? We will send a tennor to the best suggestion

# Prynn fears for Islands' future

## Giles is the first home from Chile



**GILES** Mercer checks out the first house kit to be imported into the Islands from Chile.

The building will be put up on his Unaydid Avenue estate.

Says Giles: "I'm very happy with it. It may not be as well engineered as some of the UK kits but it is certainly much sturdier. And everything is included - the wash basins, paint, even the paint brushes. There are no extras."

He hopes it will be the first of several such homes. "Once we have the first one or two up they should take only about six weeks each to complete," he says.

Giles calls his road 'Unaydid' because, he claims, he is the only builder in the Islands not to have received government aid.

PETER Prynn, author of the famous report detailing the various options open to the Falkland Islands after the arrival of the fishing money was back in Stanley recently.

This time he was retained by Anglo United, the new owners of the Falkland Islands Company, to discover how the company fitted into the community both socially and economically and how the community regarded the company in the same areas.

The sort of questions he was asked to investigate were whether there should be local shareholdings and whether there should be a local board.

Anglo United also wanted to know whether the company should be more responsive to local desires

His report should be ready in a few weeks.

Before going home, Mr Prynn slipped into the *Penguin News* office with a dire warning about a



ILLEX SQUID

possible downturn in the Falkland Economy.

He was particularly worried about the Illex squid. "It looks to me that the Illex fishery could collapse within the next year or so," he declared.

He had little faith in voluntary restraint agreements outside the protected zone where fish was being Hoovered by unscrupulous vessels.

"There has got to be government to government agreement about fishing levels in the future," he said.

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One might almost (well, *almost* almost) begin to feel sorry for any Argentine soldier rash enough to try his chances.

For, if the phrase had not such deep-rooted Gilbertian overtones one could, in all honesty, describe Major General Paul Stevenson OBE as the very model of a modern major general.

He is brisk, gives an immediate impression of top-brass efficiency that only the military can - yet is obviously very concerned with what a civilian personnel officer would call man management.

One of the main failures of the Argentine army, he believes, was poor junior leadership that took no care or interest in the ordinary soldier . . . "Nobody looked after him."

General Stevenson was commissioned into the Royal Marines in November, 1948, and joined 41 Commando, later moving to 45 Commando.

From 1963 to 1965, however, he was deeply involved in such athletic pursuits as the modern pentathlon, the biathlon and cross-country ski-ing. He went to the Tokyo Olympics as the modern pentathlon team manager and a reserve competitor and later managed the British biathlon team at the World Championships in Norway.

In 1965, he became Officer Commanding Royal Marines in HMS Mohawk until joining the Marines depot as adjutant in 1968. The year 1971 saw him at the Royal Military College of Science and Army Staff College, Camberley.

He then spent three winters training in Norway before going to Northern Ireland and Crossmaglen where he earned an MBE.

Next, he worked as Amphibious Operations Officer in HMS Bulwark and was promoted major on the last day of 1975.

The following April he became a staff officer at Commando headquarters, Plymouth, concerned with mountain and Arctic warfare and in October, 1978, was appointed the Marine member of the Directing staff at the Royal Naval College, Greenwich. This was followed by a period with 3 Commando Brigade headquarters and with UK Land Forces headquarters.

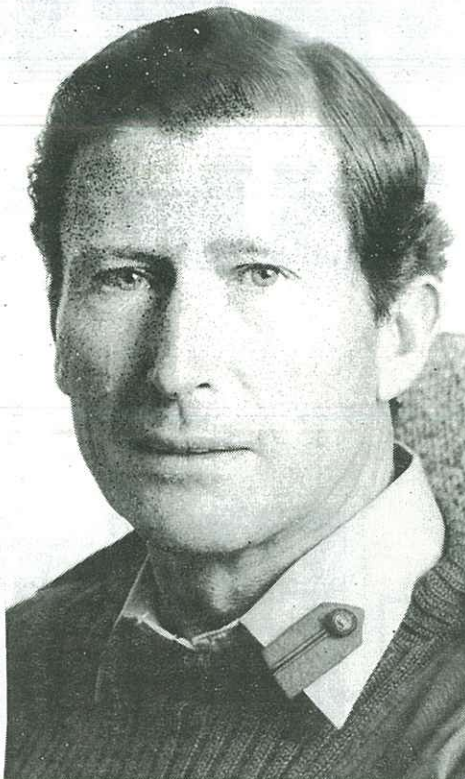
Next thing, he was here in the Falklands as Jeremy Moore's chief planning officer.

Just before the main push, he found himself in a small hole in the ground at Fitzroy. That hole, he maintains, still exists.

He remembers Stanley as "chaotic", knee-deep in Argentine soldiers and equipment. His overriding thought about the enemy was how dirty they were . . . "They did not appear to have

any lavatory training." At Stanley airport he found the situation unreal - the Argentine soldiers, abandoned by their officers, were lying in filthy squalor, their only shelter being

# A man determined to deter aggression and guarantee self-determination



Major General Paul Stevenson OBE  
... Enthusiastic about Falklands

tin sheets. "Yet the officers were strutting about with little black malacca canes. There was a complete breakdown in junior leadership."

After leaving the Islands, General Stevenson spent six months with the British military advisory and training team in Zimbabwe.

In May, 1983, he took over command of 42 Commando and undertook another emergency tour in South Armagh the following summer when he was appointed an OBE.

In 1985, he was appointed Chief G3 (Ops/Trg) at Commando headquarters where he stayed until going to Rome where he attended a NATO Defence College course.

In May, 1987, he joined the Department of the Commandant General, Royal Marines, as the Director, Manning and Personal Services.

He had been attending the Royal College of Defence Studies before coming to the Islands for the second time.

And of his duties here, he reckons he has just enough resources to be effective. "But I wouldn't be happy if I lost anyone - even a cook."

Obviously he would like more. Any cuts would be unthinkable.

He is enthusiastic about the sort of training that the Falkland Islands have to offer . . . for the infantry, almost unequalled. Junior leaders

out in Camp can do their own thing and there are plenty of opportunities to practise basic skills. The terrain, too, is great for character building.

And for the air force there is the chance to practise low flying.

It was at the Swearing-in ceremony after the General Election that General Stevenson reiterated the role of the British forces here in the Falklands. Their job was "to deter external aggression to these Islands, the South Sandwich Islands and South Georgia."

He then went on: "We are totally committed to that, and by we, I mean the crews of the submarines, surface ships, army forces and those who fly the aeroplanes and all those who support them, serving in either Mount Pleasant or in one of our out-stations.

"We are totally committed to your defence."

The general is also very keen on developing good relations between the military and civilians. In his first two months he visited at least 10 Camp homesteads and he and his wife intend to visit many more.

He is on record, too, on the subject of mountain tops. "We shall also take every step we can in the subject of civil/military relationships to try to work on the access to the mountain tops but I regret that in a year we are not going to solve those problems.

"It is a bone of concern, I am sure, to those who are the landowners . . . and it certainly is to us and we shall do our best to try and develop more permanent ways of reaching the tops other than churning up the ground . . . If I had more helicopter hours and more money I'd be able to do it more quickly."

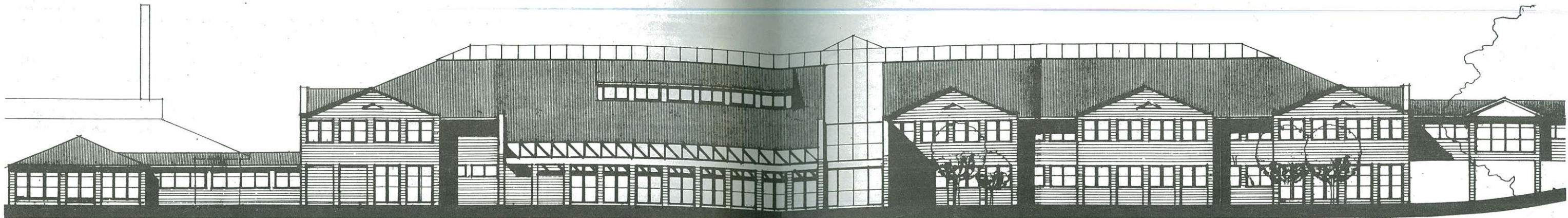
His own enthusiasm for making the military part of the community is reflected in a directive that all men, during their time on the Islands, should get off base and spend their time on an R & R project "doing something worthwhile in the Islands."

General Stevenson is also a great supporter of the Falkland Islands Defence Force. "We could do with considerably more of them," he says.

And he goes on: "I believe the FIDF deserves the support of the Islanders and the military and to that end I shall certainly be seeking support to increase the facilities in the Drill Hall . . . so that their excellent weapons and equipment can be used to the best effect."

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# Reading' Riting and 'Rithmetic with kiln and a darkroom too

HERE it is. Stanley's new senior school, ready for occupation early 1992.

At the top of the page is the architect's drawing of how it will look from Ross Road, while the main illustration shows a plan of the ground floor.

The school will be able to cope with 200 pupils, with an option to extend to take another 100 if necessary. It is expected to have a life of at least 50 years, serving the whole community and not just the school pupils.

On the teaching side, it will not only provide a wider range of education for the children enabling them to study the national curriculum to fifth form level so that they can go on to the UK for A levels, it will also offer better facilities for grown-ups seeking to improve themselves with further education.

Public events, it is hoped, will be held in the school, making use of the specially-designed multi-purpose hall.

But it is probably the Islands' sports fans who are most looking forward to seeing the project completed.

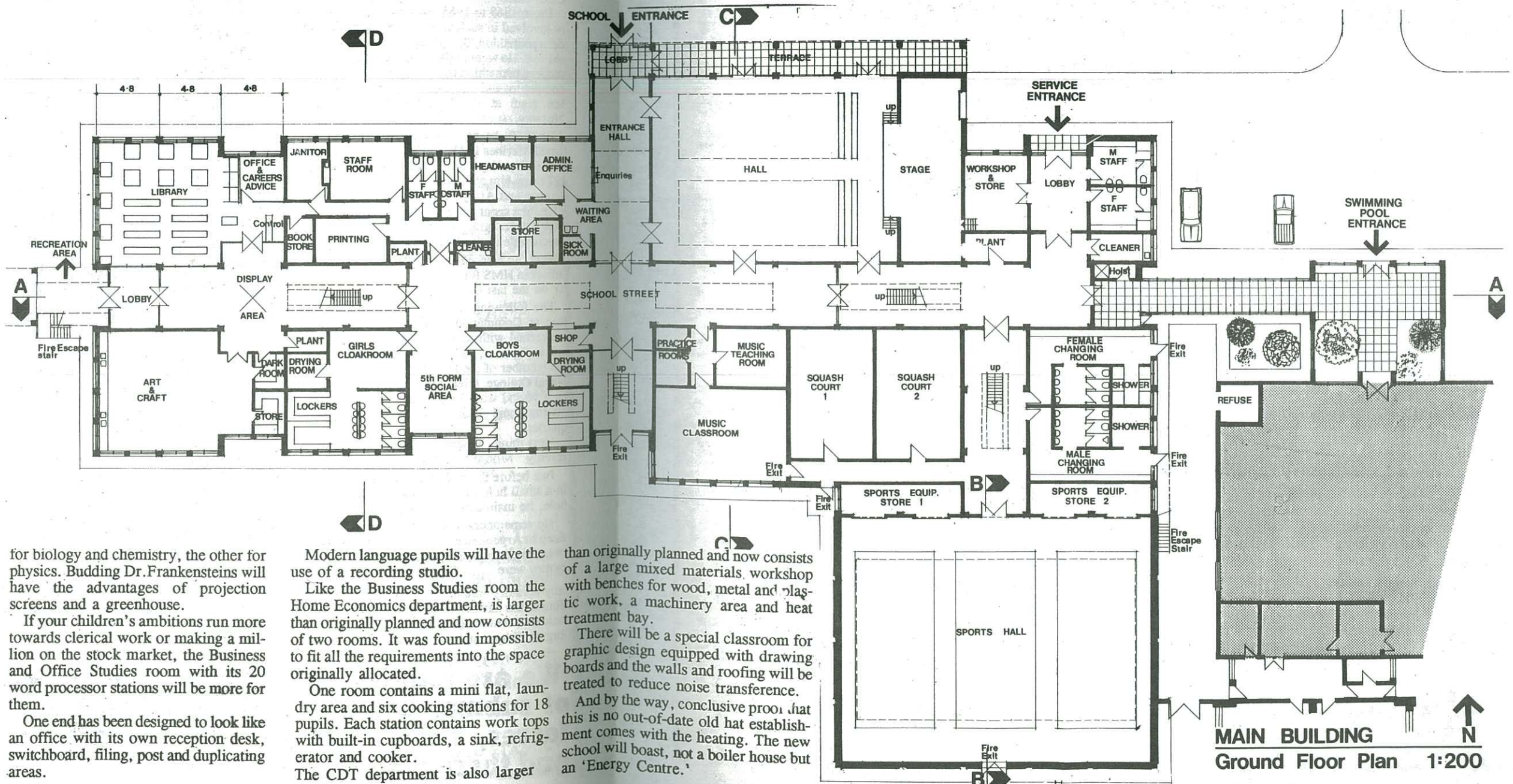
There will be both indoor and outdoor sports facilities, including squash courts and an all-weather football pitch surrounded by a running track.

The sports hall will contain a spectators' gallery.

Bookworms, too, should really enjoy school from early 1992, for the library in the new building will be capable of holding 7,000 volumes.

The Art & Craft room, for the creative among us, will contain a kiln and a photographic darkroom while the Music room will be big enough to take a choir or orchestra of up to 40 players - or even a brass band.

There will be two laboratories - one



for biology and chemistry, the other for physics. Budding Dr. Franksteins will have the advantages of projection screens and a greenhouse.

If your children's ambitions run more towards clerical work or making a million on the stock market, the Business and Office Studies room with its 20 word processor stations will be more for them.

One end has been designed to look like an office with its own reception desk, switchboard, filing, post and duplicating areas.

Modern language pupils will have the use of a recording studio.

Like the Business Studies room the Home Economics department, is larger than originally planned and now consists of two rooms. It was found impossible to fit all the requirements into the space originally allocated.

One room contains a mini flat, laundry area and six cooking stations for 18 pupils. Each station contains work tops with built-in cupboards, a sink, refrigerator and cooker.

The CDT department is also larger

than originally planned and now consists of a large mixed materials workshop with benches for wood, metal and plastic work, a machinery area and heat treatment bay.

There will be a special classroom for graphic design equipped with drawing boards and the walls and roofing will be treated to reduce noise transference.

And by the way, conclusive proof that this is no out-of-date old hat establishment comes with the heating. The new school will boast, not a boiler house but an 'Energy Centre.'

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# Steve jibs at authority



STEVE Beldham has a grievance. And, judging by the size of his protest, it must be a large grievance. For he drove his big mobile crane along Thatcher Way in front of the Secretariat and left it there - but not before he had summed up his case in one succinct message of four words and scrawled it on the jib. "What about my land?"

Steve's complaint is this. Some time ago he was sold land for use as a scrapyard. Then the Government changed its mind and decided he should move as the area was now wanted for

housing.

The Government said it would find an alternative plot and pay for the moving. But it hasn't. And Steve wants to plan his life. At the moment he can do nothing as he does not know if, or when he has to move.

He does not want to move at all, but says: "If I have concrete evidence of housing being built up to the boundary, then for the sake of the view and children's safety I'll go."

And has his protest had any effect? None whatever.

## Fotoreal airings



by GERARD ROBSON

**BARELY** a month has passed since Election Day.

Yet already it seems like forever, mainly because of the newness of it all.

It has been a busy time for all of us - official meetings of Exco, Standing Finance Committee and Legco mixed with innumerable not so official meetings

There have also been the various board and committee meetings we have inherited.

Probably the most difficult part of Council work at present is trying to acquire a working knowledge on all manner of different subjects.

I have certainly discovered that my knowledge on subjects I thought I knew something about is not as comprehensive as I thought.

The chasing down of hard facts is time-consuming but necessary and at the same time satisfying.

The opening of the councillors' office with a research assistant will no doubt help enormously. I am confident that a central point for councillors will be welcome for both them and their constituents.

This office should be up and running fairly soon.

This article is by way of a trial run but will hopefully be the first of many. I would like to think it will give as many people as possible an insight into what I would loosely call our "affairs of State" or, alternatively our "state of affairs."

In conclusion, I would like to say that a lot of work has gone into the last month or so - a lot behind the scenes by a lot of different people and I am hopeful that the present momentum can be continued in the long term to the advantage of the whole country.

In the next issue I hope to write on specific issues and am open to suggestions for topics. I cannot promise your pet subject will be included, but the possibility is always there!

# MPA's Red Baron strikes again

THE Falkland Islands' most belligerent red-backed hawk - the Red Baron of MPA - has claimed another victim.

He and his mate now have a tally of two confirmed 'kills' and a number of probables.

The latest casualty was a visitor from the UK who, despite

warnings, was given a summary clip round the ear when approaching the Baron's end of the airfield.

The Baron and his mate have chosen a suitably aristocratic residence on a navigational beacon which is constantly patrolled by his own squadrons of low-flying Phantoms and Tristars.

No-one is quite sure how the

breeding is going as no-one has been able to get near enough to find out. Approaching the nest has proved impossible.

The RAF has proved most understanding over the matter and all birdlovers in the Islands thank them.

Red-backed hawks can be dangerous and will protect their nests with vigour. Another recently attacked two men trying to climb up to its nest near Port Sussex.

The latest person to be hit was attempting to take photographs of one bird when the other flew at him out of the sun and gashed his cheek.

And be warned. This bird usually goes for the eyes and head.

## Court will hear of glass incident

A MAN is to appear in court in Stanley following an incident in Fox Bay Village.

It is understood that an argument ended with one man receiving injuries to his face caused by a broken glass.

## A warm smile, but a Chile greeting



SOME of you will know the voice of Willie Meno Calondo, but few will have met him.

For Willie is the schoolteacher at Puerto Eden on Isla Wellington in the Patagonian canales some 400 miles north of Punta Arenas on the coast of Chile.

But he is also a radio 'ham' and when he met John Reid from Pebble Island recently, he spoke of talking to stations in the Falklands. He particularly mentioned "Lucy".

So come on, Lucy. Perhaps Willie would like a picture of you.



# Who owns our Islands?

LIKE many people in Stanley I would like to buy the house in which I live.

But because Government have seen fit to put a ludicrous price on property, I can't afford to buy it.

I won't go into details or drag up old arguments; they were discussed at some length at a public meeting and broadcast on the radio.

(Unfortunately *Penguin News* wasn't around at that time - the debate would have looked good in print.)

## WOMAN ABOUT TOWN

No details, I promised, except to say I was unconvinced by the Financial Secretary, Mr John Buckland-James's question and answer session in *Government*

*News*, when he tried to justify the high prices.

Hopefully the issue will be sorted out next Exco.

What I am presently concerned about is . . . If you want to buy your house but need a mortgage, the chances are it won't be a Government mortgage any more but a Standard Chartered Bank mortgage. And if you want a loan for improvements, extensions, etc., the chances are it will be a Standard Chartered Bank loan.

And if you want to buy a farm or land in Camp, the chances are that Standard Chartered Bank will provide the mortgage for that too.

Pretty soon, Standard Chartered are going to own a fair share of the Falkland Islands. They could even be replacing FIC as the new landowners which will leave Falkland Islanders with as much control over their own destinies as they had before 1982.

Any monopoly is bad news (and the bank isn't the only one), it puts ordinary people at the whim of the big boys.

Until this unhealthy situation can be remedied by an alternative bank or building society, Government will have to stop putting more and more business Standard Chartered's way and should, instead, continue in its original role, offering mortgages and home improvement loans.

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# LETTERS

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## Woman About Town should check first

**Our new school is no flash 'Roller'**

IT WAS with regret that I read *Woman About Town* in your issue of November 17.

Regret, may I say, in that prior to this article no enquiries had been made of the writer or the West Store manager as to the facts concerning the shortage of foodstuffs, especially cereals and other short-life products.

We can give many reasons for the shortages but they all look like excuses for not having the items in stock.

The major reason for shortages is the size of the population. With it being small, any slight variation in supply or demand is of paramount importance and with many of the items mentioned if larger stocks are ordered they are out of date before the next stock arrives.

If stocks are brought in each month, then the costs increase as the orders are even smaller and many suppliers would not deal with the orders as we would fall below their minimum order requirements.

Costs for delivery of the goods to docks would be very similar even though the quantities would be far lower.

This would mean a rather large increase in the price of goods across the counter.

It has been the very nature of the place that being so small it soon gets around that a certain item is running short which then results in 'panic' buying and that item disappearing rapidly from the shelves.

If we were to order goods as soon as it was noted that our stock of an item would not last, it would be an absolute minimum of two months before new stocks could arrive, even if the urgent order connected with the sailing of a ship from the UK.

We are so much in the hands of suppliers 8,000 miles away and it is only well after a boat has left do we find out that an order has not been placed on board.

An example of this occurred with cornflakes and other cereals.

Originally they were not loaded on the AES due to the dock strike.

They were then transported to another dock for loading on *Jenka* (which brought the remainder of the cargo shut out of AES by the dock strike) but the transporter mislaid the lorry containing the cereals.

As soon as we realised it was not on the *Jenka* we placed an urgent order for an MOD vessel but the supplier did not deliver on

time for loading. The result was that on the last AES we received three orders - the original one, the MOD vessel one and the normal order for the AES.

Jam at 99p seems to the *Woman About Town* to be a "rip-off" (quote). I wonder how she is comparing prices, maybe with a UK supermarket where often jams and other products are sold for less than we can purchase direct from the manufacturer through large discounts for vast purchases.

By the way, the original cost at the factory for the jar of jam in question was 53pence and on to this must be added delivery to docks plus wharfage UK plus freight plus insurance plus wharfage, Stanley, before any mark-up is added.

I am sure that many other retailers in Stanley have the same problems as to delivery of goods, especially if some of them arrive in the islands damaged and contaminated.

Once again I would stress that Mr David Castle, the West Store manager, can be contacted, as indeed can the writer with any constructive criticisms and suggestions to improve our warehousing and retailing operation.

T. G. SPRUCE  
Stanley manager,  
Falkland Islands Company

IN YOUR recent interview with the Governor he referred to the new senior school as a 'Rolls-Royce' school

As a former chairman of the Education Committee from 1982 - 1988 and having been involved in the planning of the new school, I must take issue with this description.

The school was planned to meet the needs of the community for the next 30 - 50 years. To do this we provided the basic educational requirements for 200 children with the possibility of extending the facilities for 300 children if the demand requires it.

In planning the school we consulted parents and teachers locally. We also took considerable advice from schools in small communities similar to ours in parts of Scotland and Shetland.

There may be 'Rolls-Royce' schools in these areas; however, we took as our model those schools that provided basic educational requirements.

The exceptions to these requirements are the sports facilities provided for both students and the community. We were aware of the demand for a sports complex and to provide it in this way enabled a considerable saving over the provision of a dedicated facility.

The other community activities which will be available will be provided at little or no extra cost in building.

I find the Governor's comment unfortunate. It smacks, probably unwittingly, of that attitude of some towards education prevalent in the Islands up to the 1950/60s which was that improved education would do little good but cause problems by enticing labour away from the farms etc.

J. E. CHEEK Stanley

● BECAUSE of pressure on space this week, several letters have had to be held out. They will appear in the next edition of Penguin News. In future letters will only be printed when the name of the writer is known to the Editor. Such information will be kept strictly confidential if it is the wish of the writer.

## Hello! Hello! Hello! But what are we meant to say next?

NO DOUBT everyone has by now realised the vast difference in cost between our old and much-valued telephone service at £30 a year and the newly installed C & W telephones at a rental of £48 a year with calling charges of 5p a minute.

A way of life for senior citizens, especially the ladies, is now denied them as they can no longer have their half-hour daily chat with a friend or relative.

I mentioned the 'much valued telephone service' and we should record our thanks to all the ladies who have filled the operators' posts over three-quarters-of-a-century.

The first I can recall was a Miss Sigrid Enestrom (daughter of the engineer who came here on the *Great Britain*).

Sigrid's small exchange was situated in a room at the east end of the Chief Constable's quarters. It was later moved to the west end of the building where Sgt Morris has his office today.

It was moved to its present site during the late 30s or early 40s.

The first telephone link-up was between the FIC and Stanley House, the home of the manager.

The expert responsible was a Mr Homer. The late Mrs Liz Perry was living at Stanley House and she told me this story.

Mr Homer said he would go to the office and make the final link-up. Then he would ring on the phone. Mrs Perry was to pick up the hand-set and call: "Hello".

This is what happened:

Mrs P: Hello. Mr H: Hello. Mrs P: Hello. Mr H: Hello.

At this point Mrs Perry replaced the hand-piece, saying: "If he thought I had nothing better to do but say 'Hello' all day, he was very much mistaken."

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## FALKLAND FINANCE

by NORMAN BLACK

# Farm sections joined up

ALTHOUGH UK deposit rates were being quoted at slightly lower levels than in the past few weeks, local rates have been maintained at existing levels.

There was little change in the US dollar/Sterling rate during the period.

One interesting development on the agri-

cultural side is the sale of Waimea to R & M Goodwin.

This represents the first recent amalgamation of two recent sub-divisions.

The arrival of AES brought an increase in retail sales which also began to reflect the coming of Christmas.

## TWO NEW FEATURES FOR THOSE WHOSE HOBBY IS WATCHING

### Sex and GBH - tell it to the birds

HERE is a round-up of new videos available in Stanley. We hope this latest *Penguin News* service will help you to plan your evening's entertainment at home.

#### NORTHERN FLIGHTS

If you want to see explicit sex, robbery with GBH, philandering and all set in remote treeless islands, this is the vid for you.

The fact that the stars are the hen harriers, the puffin, great skuas and many more should not put you off.

Jeffrey Boswell has produced a competent and digestibly sized insight to summer birds of the Orkney Islands.

Were those islands enjoying the austral summer, the lighting, would have been improved.

A good one to see again and again. This video has been sponsored for the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds by S & J D Robertson, one of Stanley Services' partners.

#### FROM THE HIP

Difficult to swallow legal drama. Hero Stormy Wethers (Judd Nelson) could be a fugitive from *Police Academy* films.

The plot is strong and a convincing performance from John Hurt as the heavy who exudes evil while looking like Lester Piggot, makes up for some over-the-top but amusing courtroom histrionics.

Bob Clark directed (over 15).

#### CRIMES OF THE HEART

Greatest crime was not fully to stretch the talents of Diane Keaton, Sissy Spacek and Jessica Lange. Like many plays it lost some magic in the movie.

Some find it a very funny film. Sissy was nominated for an Oscar for her portrayal of one of three sisters who scandalise a Mississippi township.

Bruce Beresford directed.  
(Over 15). **BYRON**

## Mr Yellowlegs Senior makes a flying visit to Mount Pleasant

MAJOR news for bird-watchers is the sighting of a Greater Yellowlegs (*Tringa melanoleuca*) on a creek near MPA by Phil Gregory on November 11. This was a notable first sighting for the Falklands.

Fortunately the bird decided to hang around this particular creek, allowing himself to be scrutinised by other birders, including myself, Alan Henry and Dave Osborne. All of us confirmed the bird's identity.

Photographs taken by Phil will be sent to John Marchant, a guru of waders and shore birds, for final endorsement.

The Greater Yellowlegs is a larger relative of the Lesser Yellowlegs (*Tringa flavipes*) which occurs more regularly as a vagrant - having been seen three times in the Falklands since 1924.

The Greater Yellowlegs breeds in northern North America in 'muskeg' country - scattered trees, marshy ponds and open areas - flying south to winter in South America.

It usually arrives late August or early September, returning home to breed by March.

The Greater is larger than the Lesser, has a different call and a distinctive bill. But the two can be difficult to tell apart, particularly if, like this one, they are not standing next to each other or other birds for comparison.

The creek where Phil spotted the bird seems no different from hundreds of others. The chances are, therefore, that more similar birds are about.

A lack of records is more likely to mean a lack of bird-watchers rather than a lack of birds.

Anyone wanting further details about the Greater Yellowlegs or about bird watching in the Falklands in general should give me a ring at MPA on Military 4261.

Copies of the second edition of the local Birding magazine, *Falkland Islands Birding News* is available on request.

"May your list lengthen."  
**DIGBY MUNNS**

## Signs of recession in the UK

THE US dollar began this week a little firmer in the wake of comments by defence officials that defence spending may be cut and with the easing of East/West tension.

The dollar ended the week lower on expectations that the Federal Reserve Bank (FED) is preparing a softening in monetary policy.

Sterling opened lower on continuing worry over the state of the UK economy.

There are signs that recession appears to be coming and this is reflected in both the pressure on Sterling and the uncertainty in deposit rates.

The latter opened firmly in the past week but dwindled as the days went on. Longer term rates showed signs of a reduction of between a half and 1 per cent over previous levels.



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# MUSTANGS UNBEATEN

**REDSOX 4** (R.Miranda 3, G.Ross)  
**DYNAMOS 2** (D. Hannath, B. Watson  
o.g.)

MUSTANGS remain unbeaten with six points after the first four games in the League Championship, sponsored by Stanley Services.

The committee once again experimented with a four-team league.

The 'pool' system has also been re-introduced. This allows a youngster to guest for another team while retaining his own allegiance.

This should ensure that teams take the field with 11 players while giving youngsters more experience.

Redsox Ramon Miranda opened the season in goal-scoring mood, hitting a first-half hat trick and laying on the fourth late in the game for captain Glen Ross.

Redsox with a strong breeze on



## SPORTS REPORTS by PATRICK WATTS

their backs needed quick goals and Miranda obliged with one from the penalty spot, another with a quick shot on the turn and a third from close range.

Dynamos fought back strongly in the second half with Daren Hannath hitting a good goal and Redsox Boyd Watson putting through his own. The Blues pressed strongly but Ross's late goal sealed a 4 - 2 victory and three points.

**MUSTANGS 5** (G. Clifton 2, T. Spencer, G. Tyrrell, Roy Summers)  
**CELTIC 3** (J. Teggart 2, F. Hernandez)  
**CELTIC's** young goalkeeper, Chris

Jaffray, will want to forget this game.

He twice let long shots pass him and on two other occasions lost the ball which then ran directly into the path of onrushing Mustang forwards for two further goals.

A quiet first half saw Celtic take the lead when John Teggart got clear on the right and centred beautifully for Hernandez to score with a header.

A strong half-time pep talk from Mustangs captain Glen McGillvray set the pattern for the second half and Jaffray was forced to tip a long shot over the bar in the first minute. Gavin Clifton scored twice while Gary Tyrrell's long shot found the net

after bouncing several times. Tim Spencer also scored with a long shot.

Celtic equalised twice through Teggart - once from a free kick from Gonzalo Hobman, Celtic's captain, and again after goalkeeper Lowe had only parried a shot by Rory Coward.

Young Roy Summers went home happy after scoring in his League debut for Mustangs.

**MUSTANGS 3** (G. Clifton, D. Clifton, D. Livermore - pen)

**REDSOX 2** (G. Ross, R.Miranda)  
MUSTANGS had to fight all the way.

Redsox held the lead, went behind, then equalised before losing to a goal by Daren Clifton.

Captain Glen Ross put Redsox ahead from an acute angle but Mustangs equalised when Al Crowie fouled Clifton and Daren Livermore scored from the spot kick.

Gavin Clifton then put Mustangs ahead after a goalmouth scramble, but Miranda scored his fourth goal in two games, breaking clear and firing the ball past Adie Lowe.

The game was decided by Daren Clifton 10 minutes after the restart, although Ross, Paul Philips and Tottie Ford all went close for Redsox.

**CELTIC 6** (J. Teggart 4, F. Hernandez, P. Williams o.g.)

**DYNAMOS 2** (I. Liggett, T. Morris)

THIS game was a personal triumph for John Teggart who ran riot and scored twice in each half to dominate the game which Celtic deserved to win because they never faltered, even under severe pressure.

Two goals in five minutes ensured Celtic's first victory of the season.

Ian Liggett in the first half and Trevor Morris in the second, replied for Dynamos whose defence was often exposed by the speed of Teggart and Hernandez.

## Robert wins despite weather

One regular woman player, Eileen Davies, won the Ladies' prize comfortably from runner-up Shirley Dey.

### NOVEMBER MEDAL

FOR the first time this season unfavourable weather caused several golfers to abandon a competition before the final hole.

Ten of the 25 members taking part in the November Medal pulled out as vicious hail squalls swept across the course.

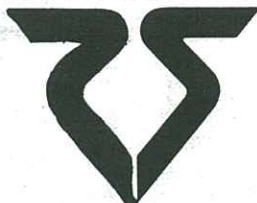
But the weather did not deter Financial Secretary John Buckland-James who soldiered on to win with 65. Alex Smith was second on 68.

with a handicap of 11, mastered the blustery conditions to triumph in the Standard Chartered Bank Rose Bowl competition although his victory came only after a countback from Gordon Forbes.

Newcomer John Teggart snatched third place after equalling the winner's score on the back 9.

SCB manager, Norman Black, said how encouraging it was to see so many new faces. A few years ago a Sunday contest would find just nine or 10 stalwarts but a tournament today attracted between 20 and 30 players, including several ladies.

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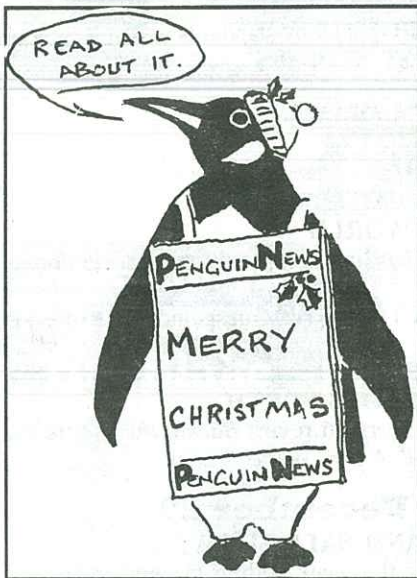


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## DUMP N-WASTE IN ISLANDS - SAYS MP



A WELSH Member of Parliament is to ask in the Commons: "What consideration has been given to the possibility of radio-active waste disposal in the Falkland Islands?"

Dr. Dafydd Thomas, who represents Meirionnydd Nant Conwy, will also ask Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary John Major what consideration has been given to the development of windpower farms and oil exploration.

Immediate local reaction to the nuclear waste dump idea ranged from a laugh of disbelief to a flat "no way".

Cllr Terry Peck was adamant: "We wouldn't allow it within 1,000 miles. Not so long as I live."

And Cllr Harold Rowlands: "Absolute nonsense! Good God! We don't want any pollution here. Conservation is our aim."

John Cheek, director of Fortuna, said: "This sort of thing has been tried on before. Harry Camm who used to own Douglas Station was involved in waste."

"We opposed it then and we oppose it now."

Mike Rendell for the Desire the Right party said: "A number of nut cases have suggested this before."

"Why should the Falklands be the place where this stuff is dumped? If it is clearly unfit for other places - then it is clearly unfit for the Falklands."

### Taiwan drops 10 licences

TAIWAN has decided to reduce the number of licences it holds for catching squid in the Protection Zone by 10.

This will mean a loss of around £1 million to the Falklands.

Chief Executive Ronald Sampson was answering a question from Cllr Gerard Robson at last week's Legislative Council when he dropped the bombshell.

Mr Robson had asked him to explain the criteria used for the recent allocation of licences.

One criterion, said the Chief Executive, was to ensure the conservation of resources and it was for this reason Taiwan had acted.

Later Mr Sampson said: "This is excellent news. Conservation is really important to us. We may have lost £1 million but it must be worth it to us in the long run."

Stanley fishing circles were more cynical. "The Taiwanese have over-fished for their home market," said one company director. "They now have a squid mountain."

"They would normally sell to the Japanese but that market is now frozen and the Koreans buy only from Korean ships."

## No prosecution to follow incidents

INTENSE speculation throughout the islands has been aroused by two recent incidents that may have involved crime.

So *Penguin News* approached the Attorney General, Mr David Lang QC, for clarification.

The first incident involves the allegation that a male police officer raped a female officer.

Mr Lang said that in this case an intensive investigation had been carried out by both civil and service police.

All police documents in the matter had been sent to him - as is usual in cases of alleged rape.

Mr Lang went on: "I decided there was insufficient evidence of rape for a jury to be able properly to convict and therefore decided there should be no prosecution."

"The woman's story may have been true or not, I don't know. There was no independent evidence confirming it . . . I don't make up my mind whether one side or the other is lying - only as to whether the jury would be able

to decide without doubt who was telling the truth."

The other case concerned an incident at Fox Bay Social Club. The Chief Police Officer had consulted him in regard to three alleged assaults.

Said Mr Lang: "Having carefully considered all the circumstances I concurred with the Chief Police Officer's view that a prosecution would not be in the public interest."

*Penguin News* asked if this meant any prosecution would fail.

"My view is that there would have been a conviction in all three cases," said Mr Lang, "But I also have to decide whether such a prosecution would be in the public interest and in this particular case I came to the conclusion it would not."

### TRI-STAR TIMETABLE CHANGING

FROM the New Year the Tri-Star service to and from the UK will be re-timed. This is due to emergency runway work at Ascension Island and the Commander, British Forces, regrets that he has

been able to give such short notice. The new departure times from MPA are: Noon, January 3; 10; 12; 17; 19; 24; 26; 31. February 7. 11am, February 10. Noon, February 14.





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*Penguin News* regrets that for reasons outside its control it will be possible to publish only one week's television programmes in each of the next few issues. It is hoped that this situation will be put right in the New Year

### FRIDAY, December 15

- 6.00 COUNT DUCKULA
- 6.20 THE REAL GHOSTBUSTERS
- 6.40 A.L.F. Comedy with an Alien Life Form.
- 7.05 CLOSE TO HOME
- 7.30 CORONATION STREET
- 7.55 AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS. Nigel Palin drives across Arabia and sails in a dhow.
- 8.45 BROOKSIDE
- 9.30 THE BAY BOY Film in which a 16-year-old witnesses a murder.

### SATURDAY, December 16

- 6.00 POP SPOT
- 6.30 NOEL EDMONDS SATURDAY ROADSHOW
- 7.15 THE SAINT
- 8.45 SURVIVAL SPECIAL Antarctica - The Last Frontier.
- 9.35 WHEEL OF FORTUNE New general knowledge quiz.
- 10.00 THE DAME EDNA EXPERIENCE New series in which the Australian megastar cares, shares and uses the rough edge of her tongue.

### SUNDAY, December 17

- 2.15 CAMPBELL'S KINGDOM Film starring Dirk Bogarde and Stanley Baker.
- 3.50 SUNDAY SPORT Highlights of second round FA Cup matches.
- 6.00 SCARECROW AND MRS KING
- 6.45 HIGHWAY Harry Secombe visits County Mayo.
- 7.10 BANANAMAN
- 7.15 EASTENDERS
- 8.15 IN THE HIGHEST TRADITION Charge of the Light Brigade.
- 8.45 HOWARD'S WAY
- 9.35 BLIND DATE hosted by Cilla Black.
- 10.15 SPITTING IMAGE Summit spectacular.
- 10.40 SONGS OF PRAISE Carols by candlelight.

### MONDAY, December 18

- 6.00 SO THIS IS CHRISTMAS
- 6.45 THE CHART SHOW Non-stop videos.
- 7.30 CORONATION STREET
- 7.55 FRENCH FIELDS
- 8.20 TANAMERA: LION OF SINGAPORE Final episode

- 10.00 NAKED VIDEO Meet a man who has eaten 48,611 potatoes.
- 10.30 WORLD IN ACTION Falling standards in British schools.
- 10.55 CLASSIC GHOST STORIES

### TUESDAY, December, 19

- 6.00 THE SNORKS
- 6.10 BEADLE'S ABOUT
- 6.35 THE KRYPTON FACTOR
- 7.00 TOMORROW'S WORLD
- 7.30 DAD'S ARMY Guarding a captured submarine crew.
- 8.00 THE BILL
- 8.25 DES O'CONNOR TONIGHT Guests include Bruce Forsyth and Tina Turner.
- 9.15 CASUALTY.
- 10.05 BLACKADDER GOES FORTH
- 10.35 FILM '89 Barry Norman reviews *Backto the Future Part II*, *Fields of Dreams* and *A Dry White Season*.

### WEDNESDAY, December 20

- 6.00 THE CANNON AND BALL SHOW.
- 6.50 NEWSVIEW For the week ending December 16.
- 7.30 CORONATION STREET
- 7.55 RAPIDO
- 8.20 CHALLENGE ANNEKA
- 9.05 'ALLO 'ALLO Last in the current series.
- 9.35 MOTHER LOVE
- 10.30 WHOSE LINE IS IT ANYWAY? New improvisation show.
- 10.55 CLASSIC GHOST STORIES

### THURSDAY, December 21

- 6.00 FIRST OF THE SUMMER WINE
- 6.30 DOCTOR WHO: Survival New
- 6.55 BOB'S FULL HOUSE
- 7.30 TOP OF THE POPS
- 8.00 THE BILL
- 8.25 VICTORIA WOOD First of six comedy plays featuring Victoria Wood, Julie Walters, Susie Blake and Celia Imre.
- 8.55 A QUESTION OF SPORT
- 9.25 SARACEN
- 10.10 FLOYD'S AMERICAN PIE
- 10.40 SCENE HERE BFG magazine programme
- 11.05 CLASSIC GHOST STORIES

## WE'LL BE SEEING YOU AFTER THE HOLS

BECAUSE of the Christmas and New Year holidays *Penguin News* will not be back on sale until Monday, January 8 when we hope to publish two weeks of television programmes. In the meantime we would like to

thank all those who have helped to bring the paper back to life - the printer, contributors and the lady who draws our penguins. We wish them and all our readers a really lovely Christmas and happy New Year.



# Marine band plays in Battle Day



ON a beautiful day, the Royal Marine band looked spectacular as it led the Battle Day parade from Stanley Cathedral to the memorial. Earlier it had taken part in the service conducted by Canon Gerald Mur-

phy who was assisted by Monsignor Anthony Agreiter, The Rev. Nicholas Rundle from MPA, Father John Doran and Father Paul Donavon, the padre from HMS Penelope.

The Naval prayer was offered by Commander Bray, the captain of HMS Penelope.

The first lesson was read by the Governor, Mr Hugh Fullerton; and the second by the Commander, British Forces, Major General Paul Stevenson.

At the memorial the Governor took the salute as the band, the FIDF and a contingent from HMS Penelope marched past.

A RAF Hercules and two Phantoms also roared past in salute.

## Government honours Tim Blake



A SURPRISE party at Government House saw Tim Blake of Hill Cove being presented with a crystal decanter on behalf of the Government of the Falkland Islands.

The decanter was inscribed on a silver band round the neck and the presentation - made by the Governor, Mr Hugh Fullerton - was to honour Tim's long and unstinted public service to the community which included 17 years as a councillor.

## Helping others

THE children at Stanley Infants and Junior School raised £150 at a bring-and-buy sale they organised themselves.

The money will be split between Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children, in London, and the Montserrat hurricane appeal.

Mrs Hulda Stewart who was behind the enterprise said it was good to make the children think of others at this time of year.

## FIGAS is flying into the 'nineties

A MIDNIGHT deal in the Upland Goose hotel and Bravo Foxtrot, FIGAS's oldest Islander was sold. By Christmas she will be working on a commuter service in Canada wearing the livery of Air Madeleine. She is seven years old, yet FIGAS obtained \$US 180,000 for her.

"That was considerably more than we had ever hoped for," said FIGAS manager, Peter Milner, "and it reflects tremendous credit on the maintenance staff."

The Canadian airline men had earlier walked into the hangar, taken one look at the plane and made an offer on the spot.

Now FIGAS has taken over the Fisheries job, two new special maritime versions of the Islander have been ordered and will arrive next May.

The planes will be able to maintain dawn-to-dusk coverage, and, says Peter, provide twice the service at considerably less price. Two Islanders cost £900 an hour to run: one Dornier costs £1,500. Other benefits come with spares back-up and versatility.

He says, too, that the pilot situation will soon be solved.

Eddie Anderson is joining Andy Alsop and Chris Francis, while Alistair Gamley will be available on an *ad hoc* basis from the Dornier. Bob May would be joining in January, followed by Derek Clarke on return from training.

On the vexed subject of wage differentials, Mr Milner admitted there was still a large gap between a local pilot's earnings and those of someone brought in. But Government was addressing itself to the problem.

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## Long may this style of Christmas continue

FIRST, a very merry Christmas to you all.

With the great festival only 10 days away, everything in the Falklands seems so delightfully relaxed compared with the commercial hysteria that has been going on in UK for at least six weeks now.

And long may the Falkland way of doing things last.

Dubious Father Christmases in last year's and the year before that's dusty garments smelling (after the lunch break) of beer and dishing out rotten presents to worldly-wise children for a large entry fee to their polystyrene grottos can do little to further the cause of such a momentous occasion as the birth of Christ.

Because of the way the holiday falls this year and because of certain technical problems concerning the publication of television programmes, *Penguin News* will not be back until Monday, January 8.

We apologise for the long gap, but assure you there is a good reason for it.

So, go out, enjoy your holiday and we will see you in January.

And may we leave you with the same wish that Cllr Gavin Short bestowed upon the Legislative Council: *A happy Christmas and skeleton-free New Year.*

## Battle Day

JUST a thought. If the good ladies of Fitzroy had seen the German fleet steaming towards them in 1989 how would they have raised the alarm?

One thing's for sure. They would never have got through to MPA on the telephone.

# UK LETTER

from  
SIR REX HUNT

*MY Government will honour their commitment to the people of the Falkland Islands.*

Thus spoke the Queen in her speech at the opening of Parliament. Such is the quaint custom of our British constitution that it is not the Queen's speech, but the Prime Minister's. Mrs Thatcher writes it: the Queen delivers it.

What is the Government's commitment to the people of the Falkland Islands? Simply that *the sovereignty of the Islands is not negotiable.*

Nothing could be plainer or more reassuring. As long as Mrs Thatcher runs the Government, therefore, you can sleep soundly in your beds.

Since Nigel Lawson's resignation, however, the media have been claiming that Mrs Thatcher's days are numbered. Some maintain she will not see the end of this Government, some that she will lose the next election and some that she will step down after winning a fourth term.

Now I have had sufficient experience of the media to take what they say with a large dose of salt. Far from believing 'It must be true, I read it in the paper, didn't you?' I regard all political reporting as slanted.

When I read that the electorate no longer regards Mrs Thatcher as a credible leader, it is the writer who becomes incredible in my eyes.

Of course I am biased, but I continue to regard Mrs Thatcher not only as a credible leader, but also as the only credible leader of this country.

Despite all the vituperative attacks against her in the media, I know that this view is shared by many of my fellow countrymen and women. So, too, is the conviction that a change of leadership now would be suicide for the Conservative party and disastrous for the country.

A Labour victory at the next election is possible but only if there is an economic collapse. However, I believe that John Major is the right man for Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Incidentally, I also believe that Douglas Hurd is the right man for the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. He was himself a diplomat before entering politics, he knows the ways of FCO officials and - an added bonus - he has a detailed knowledge of the Falkland Islands through his parents who paid several visits there in connection with the Falkland Islands Company.

Reports of Mrs Thatcher standing down after the next election came, allegedly, from her own

## Don't worry, Mrs T will stay in charge

mouth, in an interview with the *Sunday Correspondent*.

Suspicious as usual, I bought a copy and searched in vain for the substance behind the lurid headlines.

When asked, *How long do you want to go on?* Mrs Thatcher replied: 'I have no idea'.

When the interviewer remarked that one or two of her former colleagues had said that it was 'not inconceivable' that she would fight a fifth election, she replied: 'That is nice of them isn't it?'

Finally, when asked directly:

*Do you think that is likely?*, she replied: 'No, because I think people would think it was time for someone else to carry the torch.'

I leave you to draw your own conclusions. If people did *not* think it was time for someone else to carry the torch . . . ?

First, however, she has to win the fourth election, which brings me back to the state of Britain's economy.

It is a grim irony, is it not, that the future of the Falkland Islands could well depend upon John Major getting his sums right.

## TOUGH BUT GENTLE

MORE than 100 people attended the memorial service for Alastair Cameron at Lincoln's Inn Chapel in London.

In his address, former Chief Executive David Taylor said that Alastair - who was Director of Fisheries in Stanley when he died in an accident on the MPA road - had been only 32 when he became Falkland Island Government representative in London.

Fisheries was another pressurised job in which he sometimes had to deal with greedy or unscrupulous people.

Said Mr Taylor: 'His grasp of detail, clear thinking and utter integrity were crucial . . . Under his gentle exterior he could be very tough as some bullies and manipulators who confronted him discovered.'

Ewen Alastair Lindsey Keith Cameron was 37 when he died.

# Christmas Greetings

from

## MALVINA HOUSE HOTEL

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## New Rover for cathedral

STANLEY cathedral's new Land-Rover was dedicated by Canon Gerald Murphy at a special ceremony at the roadside outside the cathedral on December 3.

The Governor, Mr Hugh Fullerton, and members of the Falkland Islands Company were present.

The cost of the new vehicle came from the sale of the old Rover and money given in memory of Canon Murphy's father-in-law, Canon T.L. Livermore.

The FIC paid the freightage. Canon Murphy said he hoped the vehicle would be of use to everyone living in the Islands.

The occasion also marked the last appearance at the cathedral

of lay preacher Major Noel Dawes who is Army Operations Officer at HQ British Forces, Falkland Islands.

Major Dawes who took cathedral services during Canon Murphy's enforced absence in UK has finished his tour.

# Have you any paper history?

A FASCINATING bit of local history has been photographed and placed in Stanley public library.

*The Falkland Islands Magazine and Church Paper* began publication in May 1889 and ran until 1933. It chronicles the social and political life of the Islands during its time and gives a valuable insight into the events and ways of the people of those days.

Unfortunately, several issues are missing from the archives or are too badly damaged to be photo-copied.

Anyone owning any of the following editions is asked to lend them to the Education Department so that they can be photo-copied and added to the collection which

could become a valuable source for future historians:

1893, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1931 the whole year

1894 August; 1895 May, October, November; 1896 January and December.

1898 March; 1899 January, April and June; 1900 January and December; 1901 January.

1902 January, July, December; 1903 February, March, May 1904 January, May.

1912 Missing pages - 13-14, 119-120, 109-110.

1913 March; 1914 April and December; 1926 August; 1928 September.

1929 May; 1930 June to December inclusive; 1932 January to November inclusive.

## Lynne is the champion again

IT WAS ice cream for all at the Stanley Infants and Junior School sports. Even the parents. Stanley Sports Association allowed not only use of the racecourse but the public address system, too. And a great day was had by all.

For the second year running Lynne Forster of Bold Cove and Junior 4 was Champion Girl while Alistair Summers of Stanley and Junior 4 was Champion Boy.

Champion mum was N. Luxton and champion dad, P. Gregory.

House result: 1st Beaver Island 66pts; 2nd Saunders Island 56pts; 3rd Lively Island 47pts.

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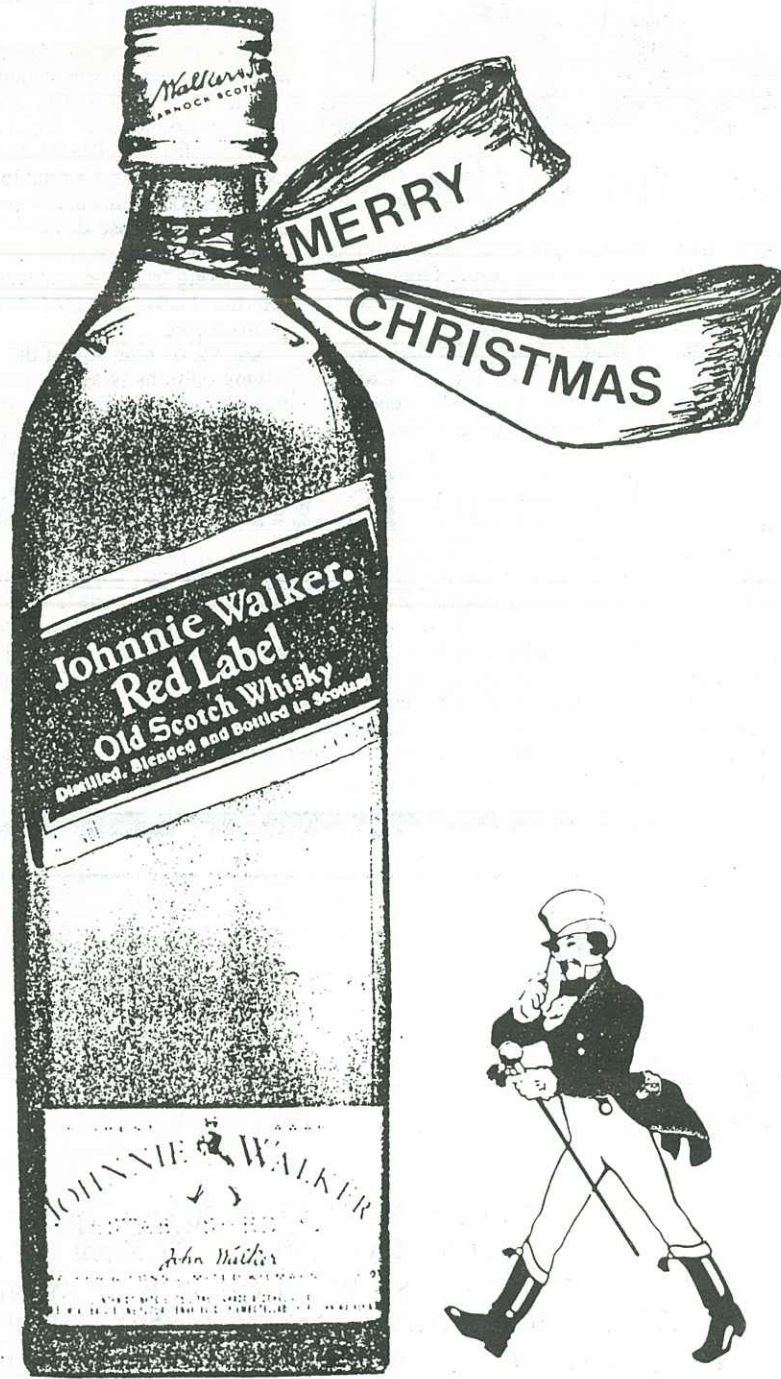
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## Penguin News PROFILE

## SENIOR CIVILIAN NURSING OFFICER

MAY is the important month in the life of Mandy Harrod, 31-year-old Chief Nursing Officer (Matron, we used to call it) at the King Edward Hospital, Stanley.

For May was the month she began her second tour of duty here - the one in which she began dating her future husband Keith Heathman, boss of the Keith Heathman Contract Shearing Gang - and it was also the month, this year, when she became Chief Nursing Officer.

Although born in Coventry, Mandy spent most of her childhood in Bedfordshire before her family moved north to Macclesfield.

At first after leaving school with A-levels, she wanted to be an archeologist - "But I wasn't clever enough" - so she became a chamber maid instead and worked at a posh country hotel while deciding what to do next.

"It was quite an eye-opener," she said. "I used to do the early morning teas and catch all sorts of people doing all sorts of things.

"I suppose I was a bit naive at the time. Manchester United football club used to use the hotel and that was really an eye-opener."

After five months of having her eyes opened by footballers and clients alike, Mandy decided to become a nurse. She trained at the Leighton Hospital, Crewe, then went on to do midwifery at King's College, London.

In May (again!) 1984, she joined the prestigious Westminster Hospital as a sister. It was while there that she volunteered for duty in the Falklands. At first nothing happened. Then, suddenly, she was given just two weeks to pack her bags and go.

She stayed for nine months, then returned home. The next year she was seconded again. But this time she was given less than a week to pack her bags. She stayed from May until July, but was back again in November the same year as a sister.

And how does she feel about being accepted by the Islanders? "Everybody is very friendly", she says. "And I get a good welcome wherever I go. And I feel like an islander. But I think I shall always be known as a 'fuddy duddy person from the UK'" - which is how she was described by a six-year-old in Goose Green.

It was at a Goose Green two-nighter that Mandy first met fiance Keith. She had been appointed attendant nurse at the steer riding and he had been deputed to look after her. "Unfortunately, he took part and disappeared over the horizon and I didn't see him again..."

Their first date was more than a little unusual. Keith picked her up at six in the morning and took her into the camp to load wood. "It was 'jolly heavy,'" Mandy remembers. "And it was in the middle of a snow storm."



## Matron Mandy loses her heart in the Islands

Her wedding, too, must seem more than a little unusual to a girl brought up in the ultra-conventional environment of the UK Home Counties. For when she and Keith marry next month the ceremony will take place in the shearing shed at Estancia farm where Keith's brother Tony is the owner.

It had been hoped that Tony Heathman would be able to marry the couple in what they believed was the tradition of the Camp where farm managers used to officiate at weddings. However, this custom does not apply where communications are good enough to enable the registrar or a priest to reach the settlement - as is the case at Estancia. So the ceremony, next week, will be conducted by Canon Gerald Murphy.

Back in the hospital, Mandy is quick to point out that she is only the *civilian* Chief Nursing Officer and that she has a military counterpart. In fact, although the hospital is run jointly by the civil and military the patients are mixed together and separated into side wards according to complaint rather than status. The staff, too, work together as one team.

So much so in that even the matron lends a hand on the ward if the staff are hard pressed.

"I think I should be expected to help out," she says.

So is there any big difference between nurs-

ing in the UK and nursing here in the Falklands? Yes. In the UK everything is specialised. There are medical wards, orthopaedic wards, surgical wards and so on. At the King Edward Memorial Hospital in Stanley there is one ward for everyone.

Also, there is a much higher ratio of foreigners being treated compared with most UK hospitals. Mandy finds the Taiwanese and Japanese are inclined to stick together and laugh a lot while the Poles and Russians often speak a bit of English and are model patients - "very polite" - although the Russians are not allowed to leave the hospital.

It is the Koreans Mandy is dubious about. "Frankly, they are difficult," she says. "Totally different. They obviously have no respect for women in their culture."

And how is she finding the management side? "It takes time to learn to be a boss," she says. Is she there yet? "It's coming," she replies laconically.

Although she realises she will never be accepted as a true Falkland Islander, there can be no doubt that it is not only Mandy's heart that has been captured here. She is beginning to think and react like an islander. Asked if there was anything she disliked about the Falklands - the weather for example - she just laughed.

"Do you know," she said. "The last time I was home on leave I actually *missed* the wind."



## FALKLAND FINANCE

### Growing trade with S America

THIS week saw the opening of the Islands' first film developing and printing laboratory - Falkland Printz.

The annual general meeting of the Association of Business in the Falklands was held and members aired their views on the problems experienced in the growing trade with South America.

There was particular concern on additional charges and increased pricing.

### Sterling under pressure

THE week opened with the US dollar unchanged but Sterling under pressure from a strong Deutschmark.

There was little impact as a result of the Malta summit and the market showed virtually no reaction following the expected win of Mrs Thatcher in her party's leadership election.

The US dollar - Sterling exchange rate moved in the range 1.5626 to 1.58 during the week.

US dollar deposit rates opened easier with Sterling rates unchanged and this trend continued throughout the week.

There was no movement in rates locally as a result.

**NORMAN BLACK**

### Now Cookes claim eviction

THE Cooke family left the Falklands last week in the midst of a new row.

Mrs Sandra Cooke had been deported and her husband, Richard, asked to leave.

Mrs Cooke took her three children with her.

But two days before leaving they were told to leave their home. Mr Cooke claimed this was an eviction as the Government refused to pay to shelter the family for the rest of their time on the Islands.

## SOME OF THE ANSWERS

CLLR Short asked about plans to extend the television service to all Camp.

Chief Executive Ronald Sampson said there were no firm plans but SSVC were preparing a project. The estimated cost was not to exceed £200,000. If installation costs were met, service and maintenance would be borne by them.

CLLR Terry Peck was told that the total cost of recruiting, housing, salary and transportation of the recently departed Environmental Health Officer and his family was £10,403.16.

CLLR Norma Edwards asked if contract shearers could be given priority on FIGAS flights during the shearing season.

The Chief Executive said this already happened. Only last minute changes or bookings could not be guaranteed.

In another answer to Mrs Edwards he said the Government was not considering the purchase of a mobile stone crusher as one would cost £600,000. The term 'mobile' was relative. Parts of the machine weighed 40 tons.

Financial Secretary John Buckland-James told CLR Ronald Binnie that £32,462 was owed by fishing companies to the Government. He told CLR Gerard Robson that total expenditure of Falkland Tourism had been £2,144,000 while income totalled £360,000.

CLLR Gerard Robson was told there were no plans to establish a Prices and Incomes Board.

The Chief Executive told CLR Gavin Short there were no plans to renew Stanley's sewerage system. However, there were funds in 1991 to extend the output pipes.

# Legco buries Seamount

AT what the Governor, Mr Hugh Fullerton, called "the first real working session" of the new Legco, members decided to cut the country's losses and bury the Seamount scandal.

Only CLR Gavin Short said he saw the Boyd report into the affair as a beginning and not an end. "If these people have broken the laws of our Islands, then I feel they should be brought to justice," he said.

"For surely the law cannot be waived for one set of people and not another."

The feeling of the rest of the members was summed up by CLR Norma Edwards when she said: "I think we could chew the cud for ever more and to no advantage really."

"The only thing you could accuse people of is mismanagement of company books and to do this would take so much money... just throwing good money after bad."

She thought the bill for taking legal action could be £250,000 and enough money had already been lost.

We must learn from what had happened "and hope to God it never happens again - we must make sure it doesn't."

CLLR Terry Peck said the word 'mismanagement' was the understatement of the year... and when one looked at the lack of control and accountability, "the mind just boggles."

"And," he continued, "I still find it very difficult to accept that all these people were making the same mistakes day after day, month after month."

But he could not personally justify spending more money on bringing these people to account.

CLLR Ronald Binnie maintained that a large share of the blame lay with those who employed those at the top. The British Government paid three-and-a-half of the salaries of the four people involved.

"The sorry part of it is that it is FIG money that has paid the bill, not the British Government."

The Attorney General then spoke

One man stands his ground as angry councillors agree not to throw good money after bad



Binnie (left): 'Why us?' Short (above): He stood alone. Edwards: Never again

"so that the public should know what the situation is."

"It is absolutely correct that there have been manifest and widespread breaches of the Companies Act in relation to the keeping of accounts and financial records by those concerned not only with Seamount but also, as Mr Boyd makes clear, in relation to subsidiaries of Stanley Fisheries generally."

"There is no excuse whatsoever for that. The result, of course, has been a lack of financial information to the directors of the company which the Act directed should be available for the proper management of a company."

One councillor, he said, had referred to the fine being £200. That was correct. It is also an offence which carries a maximum prison sentence of six months.

He agreed with Mr Boyd that those responsible were the executive directors of Stanley Fisheries none of whom were in the Falkland Islands.

Furthermore "they could not be brought back against their will for trial here... because those offences are not extraditable offences."

He continued: "Honourable members are absolutely right in pointing out that the cost, even were that not so, of mounting a prosecution would be very considerable indeed. A figure of £250,000 would not, perhaps, be an exaggeration."

Mr Lang went on to explain why the costs would be so high.

"To bring a prosecution of that kind one would necessarily have to look at the accounts and accounting records of all the companies forming part of Stanley Fisheries group and one would have to employ accountants to provide expert evidence of what expenditure and commitments had been duly and properly recorded and what had not."

"That would be a massive exercise and would involve a team of accountants with a very considerable expenditure."



The trial too might be lengthy with the sort of evidence that could occupy many days of expert witnesses, cross-examination and the rest.

There was, too, the possible question of fraud - "whether anybody, to put it bluntly, may have lined his own pocket."

Mr Boyd concluded, on the evidence available to him, that there was no evidence of fraud and Mr Lang agreed with that.

The Attorney General continued: "If it were sought to establish very definitely that there was no fraud then the sort of investigation that would have to be carried out, even if it could be carried out, would be extremely time-consuming and expensive and would require a great deal of manpower and effort."

"And at the end of the day one might come up with the answer I firmly expect, that there would be no evidence of fraud."

Grossly incompetent management did not amount to a criminal offence.

He had considered the question of civil proceedings, but "the object of these proceedings could only be to recover a substantial part of the large loss that has been incurred."

"It is by no means certain in law that such an action could successfully be brought."

"I don't say that it couldn't be but there would be a prospect that any such action might not succeed."

"What one could be absolutely certain about is that the cost of bringing an action of that kind would be enormous in terms of money and in terms of time and diversion of effort."

"It is not a road on which I would advise any person to embark."



Peck: Pollution at sea

## Islands ready for oil slick

FALKLAND plans for dealing with oil pollution were outlined to the Council by Chief Executive Ronald Sampson. Answering CLR Terry Peck, he said the Government could call upon Stanley Services, who, although they had little experience in dealing with emergencies of this kind did have a contingency plan for accidents ashore.

They possessed only a 200-litre stock of detergent and one backpack sprayer.

The Government would also hope to use the tugs Typhoon and Saronic bay, although they were privately owned. The vessels were equipped to deal with any bunkering spills.

The Forces carried a large stock of special equipment at Mare Harbour that could be deployed in Oil Mariner or by helicopter and the Government had been assured that the military would co-operate fully.

An emergency plan had been drawn up.

CLLR Peck suggested that as the Government owned 45 per cent of Stanley Services they should ensure that their stocks of detergent were "realistic".

## Private funds for estate?

THE cost of building 100 serviced houses in the development area east of Stanley could be about £6 million, Chief Executive Ronald Sampson told CLR Terry Peck.

This was an estimated figure. The return to Government would depend on the final valuation compared with building and servicing costs - and, of course, the value of cash discount.

There was a possibility that private funds would be used for the development with Government's part being restricted to services.

A report would be made in due course.

## The regrets of a former Chief Executive

THE following statement received "out of the blue" from former Chief Executive, Brian Cummings, was read to the Council by CLR Harold Rowlands:

"It is a matter of concern to me that I cannot be present in Legislative Council to contribute to the debate on the Seamount report. I would have liked the opportunity.

I would like to apologise in public to councillors and to the people of the Falkland Islands for my part in the Seamount affair. It is a matter of the utmost regret that action and inaction by me may have contributed to the loss of substantial funds through the collapse of the

Seamount joint venture company. That Seamount failed is in itself an indictment of my stewardship.

Mr Boyd conducted the enquiry as he saw fit in accordance with topics for consideration given to him by H. E. The Governor. It is a great pity that a public enquiry was not held as this would have allowed for an open scrutiny of the most significant financial event in the Islands' recent history.

As the former chairman of Stanley Fisheries I find it puzzling as to the reasons why oral evidence was not taken from all persons who had legal responsibilities relevant to the subject of the enquiry. I also find it strange that not one

principal joint venture partner gave evidence. I know for certain that some of that evidence was material.

That Mr Boyd dismisses so lightly the recruitment problems faced in the Falkland Islands and the pressures under which public servants worked is a matter of profound regret to me. My performance was judged solely as a full-time executive chairman of a company when the reality was totally different.

In Stanley Fisheries the need to create a competent and harmonious management team working to a single purpose was paramount. It was not there at the critical time and a major crisis was inevitable."



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## For Norman and June, it's a fast developing business

ONE of 1989's commercial success stories in the Falkland Islands is Falkland Printz - a business for developing and printing colour photographs.

From the moment Governor Hugh Fullerton cut the green tape across the front door in the new shopping centre at Mount Pleasant early last week and declared the shop open, the place has been swamped with customers and film.

Says proprietor Norman Clark who shares the business with his wife June: "It's incredible. People seem to have been waiting for us . . . hoarding film if you like.

"We even had one film in showing the Royal Marine band last time it was here."

It all started when Norman and June spotted a gap in the market, checked their savings, then went for it. They realised that people were just not prepared to wait weeks before seeing their photographs developed; that half the fun is seeing what you have got in your camera as soon as possible.

So they started Falkland Printz where photographers - both amateur and professional - can take their colour films to be developed or printed on site - and their negatives, too. Originally it was intended to supply a one-hour turnaround at Mount Pleasant and a 24-hour service from Stanley.

But things have not worked out that way.

The Clarks are having to pay the price of success. So many customers have been putting their films in to be processed that they have found it impossible to maintain that sort of speed and keep to the high standard of quality they have set themselves.

"And we are certainly not sacrificing quality under any circumstances," says Norman. "Pictures mean a great deal to people . . . weddings, family outings, the kids growing up or sending something back home so the folks can see what you've been up to. It would be quite wrong just to rush through them."

Meanwhile June, too, has been



The Governor takes the tape-cutting scissors from Norman Clark



ABOVE: Members of the Falkland Islands business community pose for the camera at the opening ceremony



LEFT: Governor and Mrs Fullerton chat with Alister Montgomery the engineer from Noritsu (UK)

PICTURE NORMAN CLARK

finding out the true meaning of success. "We had expected that after a bit of time we would employ someone to help us - as the business built up," she said. "But we've already had to get

someone in and we've only been going a week."

The busy shop's champagne-and-all-the-trimmings opening ceremony was also attended by Mrs Fullerton, herself a keen

photographer, the Commander, British Forces, Falkland Islands, Major General Paul Stevenson, and Mrs Stevenson.

Leading members of the Falklands business community and FIDC were also present.

Norman, who holds the British Empire Medal, is a former Royal Marine who first came to the Islands with the services. He and June live on the Jersey Estate in Stanley with their two sons and an Alsatian dog.

**JUNE and NORMAN would like to thank everyone who has helped them to open on time. Their thanks go also to their newfound customers for support and patience during the start-up phase**



# Diary of a Farmer's Wife

OR AN EVERYDAY STORY OF CAMP FOLK

## Doctor? I'm Mickey Mouse and my batteries are flat

LAST time I mentioned the dry weather it rained nonstop for ages, so I will stick to safer topics.

The journeyings of Cable & Wireless personnel are of great interest to most folk in Camp, since their arrival in a settlement signals the start of much-improved communications for people in that area.

The 'good old days' of the R/T will soon be something to be reminisced over and - by the lonely - missed.

The poor conditions of recent weeks have caused considerable problems for the long-suffering operators, especially Eileen, not to mention those of us wanting to get messages through to town.

Bad radio conditions cause many a mix-up in messages, through no fault of the operator concerned.

My favourite mix-up memory will always be that of the two tea services arrived one day, courtesy of FIGAS. It took me a while to figure out that they represented the

geranium pots and saucers ordered some days previously!

The present doctor's hour, or rather half-hour, will soon vanish, to be replaced by phone-in consultations that could well prove more fruitful for the doctors.

At present they have to contend not only with diabolic radio conditions, flat batteries and Mickey Mouse voices but that natural reluctance on the part of patients to discuss their more personal symptoms in front of the entire Islands.

## The very soul of a nation

I HAVE always been a keen supporter of a new senior school for the Falkland Islands.

If it has to be an expensive Rolls Royce one, I'll support that too.

And if it's a smart light airy building of some architectural

merit and it blends attractively into its surroundings like the swimming pool, that's absolutely marvellous.

Judging by the architect's drawings of the external layout I would say "so far, so good."

Internally it's impressive too, except for the position of the Art

and Craft room.

If you dig out last week's *Penguin News* and take a look at the drawings you will probably see what I mean. For those without *Penguin News* at their fingertips, let me explain.

The Art and Craft room is stuck in the southwest corner of the ground floor. Because of the lie of the land in that area the room will overlook rocks and tree stumps and will have precious little natural light.

It should be on the northwest corner of the main building above the library. It should be there so that our potential artists (school children and night class students alike) can be inspired by some of the Falklands finest scenery - the harbour, the hills, the ridge, the amazing skies, the interesting architecture as well as the rocks and the trees and can benefit at all times from the brilliant natural light.

Ask any Falkland artist why they choose to work in a room facing north and how an art room in elevated position, with masses of glass and incredible views of north and west could be nothing short of inspirational.

And then wonder why the geography room was chosen to go on that very spot.

I'm not suggesting the views would be wasted on a geography class but I do think they could be put to better use by a group of aspiring artists.

Artists should be encouraged, nurtured, revered. Artists add colour and character to their community. They are its soul.

My contribution to shearing is the usual bake-in. I should have organised sponsors for every pound of flour used, including the burnt offerings hurled through the scullery window to waiting hens.

I would have made a fortune for charity . . . perhaps the League for Downtrodden Farmers' Wives. (No, I haven't heard of it either, but it could catch on).

The horses are all fat, shiny and lazy but are in for a rude awakening - daughter and friend arrive tomorrow!

Houdini chick has left us for the Great Chicken Coop in the Sky - victim not of his own daring but of a mysterious lurgy that saw off all but three of that brood.

A second clutch of seven has just hatched, plus a late arrival now in the airing cupboard.

I hope this little family are luckier than the last bunch.

Telephone surgery queuing could be arranged on an answering phone with soothing music being played to waiting patients or, even better, a pre-recorded selection of symptom-linked remedies: *Backache? Take one pink pill daily for a week and call back if not better by then.*

Shearing time approaches rapidly. The Boss has started to move the dry sheep nearer to home, in between concreting bits which is half-built. (We will use our neighbour's shed until it is ready.)

He has also done some new cladding on it but after losing painfully two rounds of *Snakes and Ladders* has decided to wait for the rare calm spells of weather - which often mean working in the near dark.

The pups love the concreting bit. If it is finished without paw marks in it I shall be amazed.

WOMAN about TOWN



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# LETTERS

## *We are bankers and not in the business of owning property*

IN the article *Woman about Town* in *Penguin News* of December 1, 1989, I should like to take the opportunity to express my concern over the inaccuracies contained therein.

1. Standard Chartered Bank has not had, does not have now and has no intention in the future of "going to own a fair share of the Falkland Islands". It is in the business of banking not land or property ownership.

2. Although presently the only bank in the Islands we, like any other bank or building society, are required to seek a licence to operate.

We also have to bid for all available banking business (including Government's!). Government does not "put more and more business Standard Chartered's way" as implied in the article.

3. With regard to mortgages, discussions have been held with

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Government and FIDC as to how the bank may assist to extend mortgage facilities to a wider number of people and companies in the Falklands than was previously possible.

It is hoped to turn these discussions into a concrete mortgage scheme very shortly.

We trust whoever wrote the article was not seriously suggesting that this bank reduce its share of business by calling in a number of its loans/advances with the ac-

companying difficulties this would cause the borrowers in the Islands?

We are proud to be serving the public in the Falkland Islands, to be a major employer and to be the *only* bank that contributes to the Government's tax revenues, thus directly benefiting the Islands!

But your columnist is, of course, entitled to his or her view.

**NORMAN BLACK, Manager,  
Standard Chartered Bank,  
Stanley**

### *That jam again*

I WOULD like to thank Mr Spruce for explaining the price of jam. For years we women have been moan, moan, moan about prices - and jam in particular.

If *Woman about Town* had written to FIC, only she would have had the answer. Now we all know.

**LADY ABOUT CAMP**

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# O buoy! The light's going and we must get a move on



A SLIGHT swell was running as the FIC launch *Speedwell* landed a party on the rocks in a small cove. Their job: to help place a light on Mengeary Point.

The day was beautifully calm and it felt like a picnic.

At about 5pm, the big Chinook landed a man before flying back to FIPASS for its 3,500kg cargo.

Five minutes later, the crew, Squadron Leader Byron, Sgt Wright and L/Cpl Cornish, were hovering above the site.

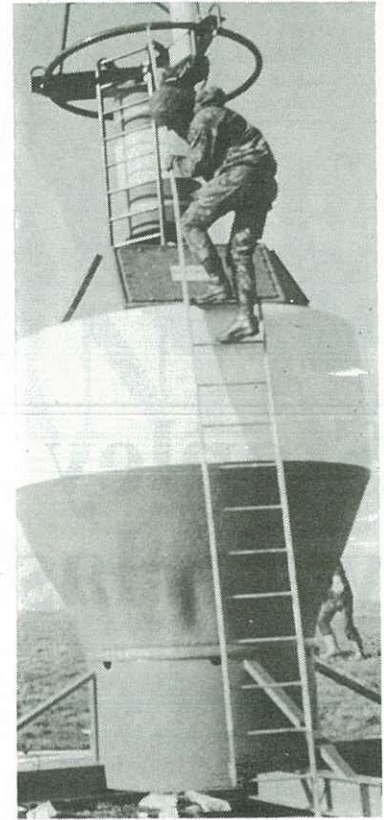
The position had been marked with a white trian-

gle and it took less than 10 minutes to put their load right on target, solar panels facing north. The buoy, 7 meters high and 2.5 meters in diameter, had been lying offshore, but maintenance problems meant it was often out of order.

Then FISHOPPS John Clark and Dave Graham; Les Halliday, harbour master, Taff Davies and Montana Short of Sullivan Shipping and Robin Goodwin and Terry Hawksworth of FIC decided on the Mengeary site, provided the base were sound.

The old bottle shed on the site was demolished and the base of the buoy cleaned with needle guns. Steve Beldham welded on girders to support a maintenance ladder and the whole thing was painted bright orange.

Then it was a case of readjusting the lenses and replacing the old pearl bulbs with new 150w clear ones.



## WATCHING WITH PENGUIN NEWS VIDEOS BIRDING

A CHINSTRAP penguin has been sighted in the Falkland Islands on Saunders Neck.

It was spotted by Sgt Dave Osborne from MPA among a colony of Gentoos on November 23.

Meanwhile the Gento chick at the Saunders and Sea Lions colonies have begun appearing.

The story in our last edition about the Red Baron (the local red backed hawk at MPA) attacking people who approached his nest should emphasise the fact that it is not a good idea to approach nest sites anyway, since this invariably leads to unacceptable disturbance of the bird.

It is, for example, often illegal in the UK and licences are required to photograph many species at their nests.

Finally, please remember that if penguins get up from their eggs because of your approach, you are too close.

There are always scavengers ready to pounce and your presence may have destroyed an egg.

The Gentoos on Bertha's beach look increasingly like Custer's cavalrymen making their last stand. I half expect to see arrows in the sand around them.

Those that are left are brave, stubborn birds. They should be given the space and chance to add their genetic stock to the species.

If you approach slowly and quietly, stopping when they start to move and waiting, you can still get reasonably close.

Then someone after you can enjoy their presence.

DIGBY MUNNS

### ORDEAL BY INNOCENCE

Donald Sutherland stars in Agatha Christie tastefully gory tale set in Dartmouth. Cameo parts by Faye Dunaway, Ian McShane and others.

For Christie fans this is a goody. Who-dun-it rating not so high but an absorbing interpretation with Dave Clark Five music that may jar.

Not to be confused with Miss Marples/Hercule Poirot stereotypes.

### THE DRESSMAKER

Evocative to those who lived in times when Nigger was acceptable as a cat's name.

Liverpool 1944, Plowright and Whitelaw contrasting sisters influencing Jane Horrocks in first fumbles in cinema back row. Strong family drama; *Brookside* could learn a lot from this.

Billie Whitelaw won Best Actress award as Margot but don't let that discourage you. Over 15.

### SCANDAL

Not to be on should the vicar visit. The Profumo truths titillating more than fiction.

John Hurt well cast as the key cat's paw Stephen Ward. Christine Keeler and Mandy Rice Davis are almost forgivable in sensitive, impudent portrayals. Some full frontal exposure could offend.

Swinging Sixties at its extremes - fascinating even if you know how it ends. Great music.

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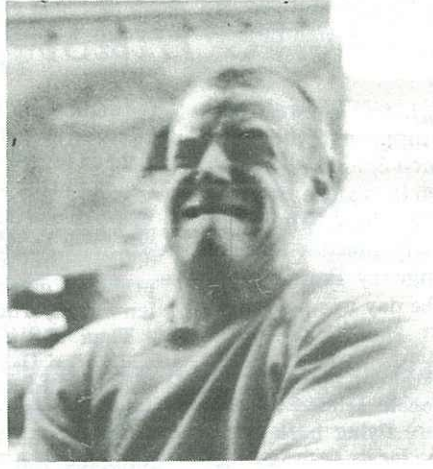
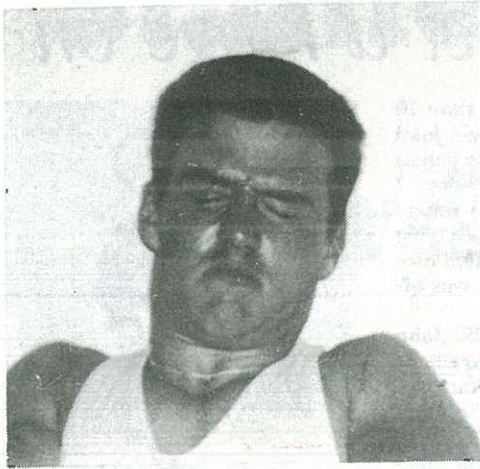
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# JOY THROUGH STRENGTH



**JUST** look at these guys from MPA - they are meant to be enjoying themselves! They were taking part in the Strongest Man in the Falklands contest which was won by Corporal Chris Hill of the RAF. Second was another RAF corporal, Daz Walker and third, Leading Seaman Phil Campbell.

## Stanley triumphant with last-minute goal

STANLEY won the traditional Battle Day first team fixture, narrowly beating HMS Penelope with a last-minute goal by mid-fielder Gavin Clifton.

Gavin with central defender Darren Livermore and keeper Tony Sykes shone on a brilliantly warm and sunny afternoon.

Big Paul Williams opened Stanley's account against the run of play, scoring with a vicious short range shot, following a corner.



Penelope equalised almost immediately

Stanley fell behind early in the second half but more good work by Williams gave Glenn Ross the chance to equalise. Clifton's late goal then ensured a winning start to the season for Stanley.

Both teams then relaxed at

### SPORTS REPORTS by PATRICK WATTS

Monty's where Kevin and Jan are sponsoring the first team this season.

They have presented a full set of red shirts, white shorts and red stockings. A Monty's track suit will complete the kit.

The local club has also received a gift of a full kit by courtesy of Capt Graham Botterill of J. Marr who has close connections with Hull City FC.

The kit, yellow shirts and socks and black shorts - Hull's first team colours - are being used by the second team and by the Mustangs.

### Look out Lookout!

THE Stanley B team kept up their good form following their 4 - 4 draw with the first team the previous week by defeating Lookout Camp 3 - 1.

A deflected shot by Daren Han-nath opened the scoring for Stanley but Lookout equalised before half-time.

A Ramon Miranda penalty put Stanley ahead and Miranda scored the winner with an excellent cross from the left late in the game.

Full marks to the linesman, a member of the Lookout unit, who attracted the referee's attention to a handball in his team's penalty box.

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