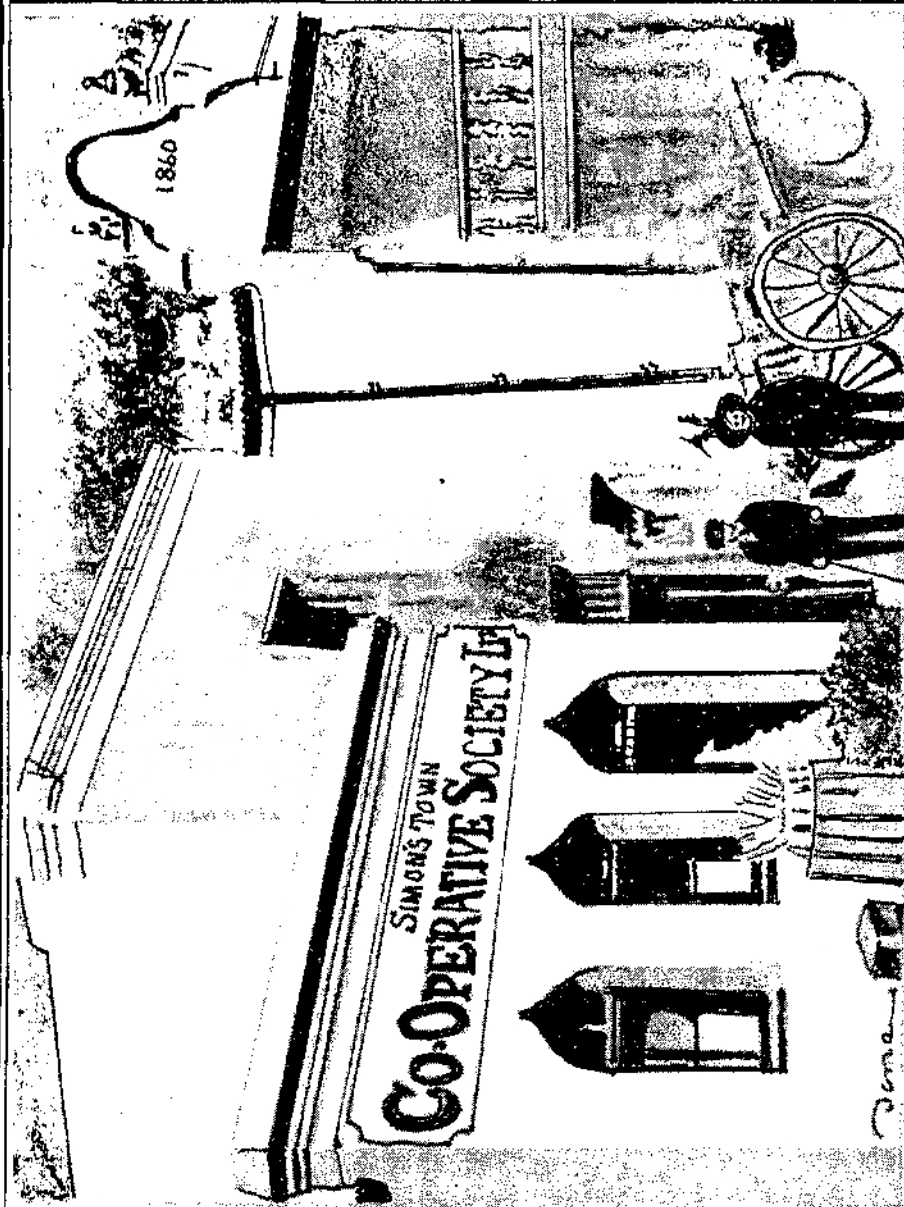


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Historical Simon's Town, definitely Edwardian, say 1908 - Iona Loxton

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St George's Building & Simon's Town Co-Operative Society



The collection of buildings that are known today as St George's Hotel Building stand on part of an estate called "Constantia" which dates back to 1749. The Constantia estate was a large piece of land in the centre of Simon's Town and was sub-divided in 1806. The frontage that you see today was constructed in 1903 and tied together the remains of three separate buildings, the new lodging being named "Hugo Chambers" after its owners. The slope of the road made it necessary to have the balcony on two levels, which was only aligned when the front was modified in the 1920's.

The early plans of the building show thick walls running back from the street; walls some 2ft/600mm thick - these would have been outside walls of the old buildings. Where the hairdresser now is was an opening into a rear yard and where the bottle store manager now has his office was a cartway into the stables at the back. For a time a bakery operated out of this back yard too. On the extreme left of the building (now occupied by Foschinis) was the Tap Room where beer would have been sold.

For several years between 1903 and 1967 the building became a hotel, trading as the "St George's Hotel", but the Hotel Grading Law of 1966 imposed conditions that could not be met and the public rooms on street level were converted into shops (that is when the teak doors and windows were removed), and the first floor was rearranged into flats. This same fate befell the British Hotel, the Alfred Hotel and the Central Hotel, all of which were built or remodelled at the turn of the century when the presence of the Royal Naval Fleet ensured a healthy demand for shore accommodation from Officers and their families.

The Simon's Town Co-Operative Society, whose building is seen in the foreground, sunk without a trace, but "Dawood's" now occupy the site. Behind the cart is the original frontage of the Sartorial House built in 1845, the present frontage being added much later.

The signwriting over the door, where a barber's pole stands, says "Lizerbrum Breech Maker First Floor Up". The Barber's shop was later run by George de Freitas.

Editorial

The cover is a drawing based on a photograph of unknown date; I guess Edwardian, probably 1908 or thereabouts. The clothing is a useful lead - phone me if you have a better date. Elsewhere in this issue is a photograph of the same scene as it is today.

Isn't the new library a joy to behold - but PLEASE, no coffee machine as suggested by Wilf Nussey; what next: sandwiches etc. and then crumbs and coffee stains on pages. For heaven's sake NO!

We have a small committee (Tony Robinson, Peter Johnson, Reg Loxton) progressing the establishment of a Section 21 company. As mentioned before, the prime objective is a vehicle for raising money to fund important needs of our community. The first project on the drawing board is pay parking on Jubilee Square - the editorial in the July issue of Snoektown Calling gives details of manage-

ment structure and objectives. It will be seen that the ramp road, between Jubilee Square and Cole Point parking, forms an integral and vital component of the management plan.

At this writing, eventual success appears promising. Early in the New Year a public meeting will be called to present, debate and approve the concept.

In this issue there is an extra crossword puzzle - very difficult, but interesting, to keep you occupied during the festive season.

I am told that the new liquor store at the 7-Eleven in Glencairn is a fait accompli: nothing more can be done. One wonders how we find ourselves in this awful situation. Where were the public meetings to debate the issue, prior to the award of the licence



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to establish the business at this particular site? Surely the Police Forum should report on what is to have happened?

Finally there will be no Snoektown Calling in January; the printers will be on holiday. Meaning, I will not receive your letters, with all the happiness during the festive season - and be careful out there.

Cheers,
Reg Loxton
Editor
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Down the Historical Mile

Mr. Pretorius announced that he had approached matters to bring to the attention of SLAQ concerning the position of all matters dealing with traffic.

Finally, the matter of those red brick stripes across the main road, opposite Jubilee Square. Now Mr Chairman, why the sudden decision to lift the brick and fill up the space with tarmac? Well, I have been heard authority from a usually reliable source, who doesn't want his name mentioned, that the red bricks were needed for the driveway of the Deputy Mayor's Residence. So the bricks were taken from Simon's Town - who cares about Simon's Town?

Secondly, Mr Chairman, the town and rather glad of the closing of the part of road between Jubilee Square and Cape Point parking. Well, Mr Chairman, after a long debate among the folk that hang around the Square, it was concluded that it was a personal matter with our Council for Aesthetically Pleasing the-



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tell you, Andrew Hooper says, Alderman Holness got such a fright she must have jumped at least two metres into the air, and when she came down to earth again, she let fly with some strong language. Andrew Hooper said he was really startled and astonished.

So you see, Mr Chairman, the closing of the ramp was quite to be a personal matter with Alderman Holness.

because she was given a fright by a motor-car one day when she was walking down the ramp. Andrew Hooper says that is all.

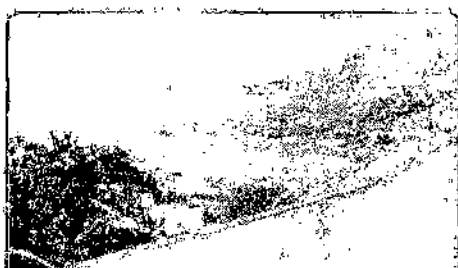
Alderman Holness was halfway down the ramp when a big Mercedes came up behind her and gave a big blast of its horn. I

Wet, said the Chairman, there's lots to think about, including the approach of Christmas, and folks this isn't thing too much during the festive season. Besides, this was a meeting of the AE.

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News from Simon's Town Civic Association

The Future

The farcical gymnastics of our local politicians will spread disruptive waves right across the everyday administration of public affairs here. It could be a long time before they settle. Ultimately those who will suffer are the voters and ratepayers - always the first to be trampled in the rush for the gravy train. Party affiliations make no difference: people are at the bottom of the priority list.

If there were any doubt about this, it was ended by Information Counsellor Nicki Holderness gave to the STCA committee at its last meeting.

As it stands now the Constitution prevents the members of a party in provincial government from crossing the floor because of the proportional representation system. The central government intends to change that (what's the point of a constitution?) to en-

able the NNP in the Western Cape to divorce the Democratic Alliance and wed the ANC.

The DA will very probably contest that every step of the way in the courts. It could take a long time.

Meanwhile, back in the Cape Town Metro, everything is slowing to a crawl. A new ANC/NNP provincial government might well reverse the city structure from an executive council and sub-councils to an executive mayor and ward committees. DA appointed officials could be fired for replacement by protégés of the new regime.

The insecurity is already making lower-level staff quit in droves. Senior city officials don't know what their futures will be and are reluctant to exit. The political jockeying among them are waiting to see whose hand will favor to jump on. Big money is at stake: executive committee members and chairpersons of

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sub-councils are paid R25 000 a month.

If the officials hired by the present city council have their contracts aborted, the payout will be roughly R35 million, says Councillor Nicki. This is on top of the R77 million debt in contracts the new town entity inherited. Decisions are not being taken. Matters large and small are left hanging, shoved to the bottom of the in-basket.

Among them are the Seaforth beach parking, the development of Disco Valley for the Red Hill residents and others, and the Boulders Park.

Boulders may seem trivial in the context of our huge new metropolis but it is not. It is so big an attraction it creates two seriously expensive problems: traffic and parking, and penguins.

The spectacular growth of traffic and the need for parking in a once-quiet urban backwater is a major management problem. So is the growth and potential spread of pen-

guins to adjacent areas and their impact on public beaches and residential areas.

Answers need to be negotiated with the Cape Peninsula National Parks, says Councillor Nicki. Boulders draws nearly R4 million a year and about R5 million is needed to resolve the traffic and associated problems. But until the city's political future is sorted out, little can be done.

And Councillor Nicki herself?

She was an independent for her entire municipal career and only in the last city election stood for the DA because there was no provision for independents.

She would like to go back to being an independent she says (the caucus meeting takes only 50 seconds) but feels morally obliged to stay DA because it's what the voters chose.

Traffic

If Lewis Carroll were still writing he would find fertile ground for a new Alice adventure in the Cape Peninsula traffic planning.

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The STCA (and no doubt other civic bodies) has been beset by controversy over traffic schemes in recent months and in trying to get to the bottom of it has sunk ever deeper into a mire of planning.

Dirk van Niekerk, the STCA's Roads and Traffic member and an experienced engineer, recently attended a meeting titled "Main Road and Ou Kaapse Weg - Road Capacity Study" and came away puzzled and concerned.

The report discussed at the meeting looks at all sorts of ideas for improving the volume and flow along these two vital routes - some old, some new, some hair-raising - but nowhere, he found, was it linked to a holistic master plan for the Peninsula road system in its entirety.

That, he was told, is because it is only for "special events" like the annual cycle and marathon races. Carroll would admire such woolliness.

Is there a master plan? No. Well, maybe. But nobody seems to know where it is. Or if it is.

There is a new city traffic plan to be introduced in December, says Councillor Nicki, but how effective it will be is questionable. This is the one that includes the master traffic plan for Simon's Town that includes closing the much-debated slip road from Jubilee Square to Cole Point.

We will have to wait until then to see if it revives that extremely rare species the traffic cop.

In the meantime the city roadfolk have obligingly kept us entertained. It was the year before last when they exuberantly blocked traffic to lay attractive red-brick paths across St George's Street to Jubilee Square, at a reputed cost of R40 000.

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the first place. Or because the city's short of red bricks. The cost? Don't ask.

The Navy

On a more positive note, Simon's Town is about to get a major boost in people, activity and business.

The Navy is reducing its Durban base to a station and moving most of the personnel and warships here. Two strike craft and about 120 people with their families are already on the way and more will follow, with the move expected to be complete by next April.

This is in addition to the new warships the government has bought which will come here for fitting and commissioning, providing hundreds of new jobs and a much-needed shot in the arm for local enterprise, if it can seize the chance.

The influx will create a big demand for housing which, in turn, may just prod the authorities into fast-forwarding plans for

projects like the Dido Valley development.

There are two other important naval developments. One is to revive the lovely and historic old Palace Barracks seriously damaged by Public Works Department neglect and vandalism.

The idea, with private enterprise backing, is to turn it into a maritime training centre open to students from all over the world, complete with a computerised bridge simulator able to replicate almost anything on a modern ship's bridge.

The other, reports Bill Rice, our dockyard watchdog, is that a proposal for the future use of the East Dockyard has been made.

It is that the dockyard, State-owned property, should be run by Arutscor, which as a parastatal operating on a commercial basis is best equipped to do so, and that it be used half for the Navy and half for commercial shipping.

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gation must be made. The final report is expected to go to the Minister of Defence for decision about mid-2002.

The Navy's Big Simon's Town clean-up day last month was foiled by foul weather. Instead it will be on December 13 and will include a parade by the Navy Band and dockyard choir and a fire engine through town to Da Gama Park and on to Ocean View.

Library

Our library in its new premises has received widespread praise and has become so popular as a place to relax and read that the Friends of the Library have been asked to install a coffee machine.

The Simon's Town Art Group will use some of its ample wall space to exhibit local work.

The formal opening will be on December 5 by Councillor Nicki Holderness.

The old library building will become avail-

able for public use after the Magistrate's Court has returned to its own premises, damaged recently by fire.

Old Trees

The Environmental Advisory Committee is compiling a list of old and historic trees in Simon's Town, of which there are apparently many, and will plot their positions precisely on a map using the geo-positioned satellite (GPS) system.

The STCA believes this could be an ideal project for our local schools to tackle and will take it further with the FRC.

That Liquor Store

Much heat and angst has been generated by the advertised opening of a liquor store at the Glenbairn Heights shops.

The STCA has come under flak for circulating a petition from objectors for those who wanted to support them. Perhaps we should explain we did so because the store own-

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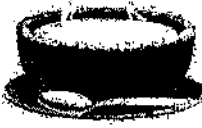
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are already had their own petition going and because we are obliged to assist open discussion of issues. Our chiefy because we were informed the municipality had promised never to permit a liquor store there. The last information, if now emerges, was wrong. But - yes this is the real issue - the licence was brought in through a legal back door by transferring an existing one from elsewhere in Simon's Town. It was NOT out of the list of local opinion, as it should have been. Like it or not, residents have been slighted.

The decision now lies with the Upper Board which will hopefully weigh opinions from all quarters including the Community Police Forum and the SAPS.

Simon's Town Festival

The annual New Festival, very successful since I began a couple of years ago. Will be from March 21 to 24 next year and the organisers hope to make it bigger and better

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Will Nussey

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No, this is not a LSD (Look-See-Decide) trip! I am a Simon's Townian and a South-African and I will return on 1 July 2002. I will be contactable via E-mail at the fol-

lowing address docvan@qedl.co.za, so feel free to contact me directly or leave a message with the girls and they will E-mail it to me. Please keep in contact and keep the practice alive.

I love my practice in Simon's Town as well as the wonderful people of this village, but this is an opportunity I cannot let up on. I might even come back cleverer (if at all possible) and improve the level of medicine in Simon's Town even more. Please rest assured that the practice will keep up the standard that you have become accustomed to. Feel free to E-mail me when the need arises and you feel that you wish to discuss something with me personally.

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Abbey. Hopefully when I return, we can arrange a Simon's Town Première of the composition.

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Steven

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Ward Councillor's Report

1. **The South Peninsula Spatial Development Framework** was commissioned by the Cape Metropolitan Council in 1996, and further extended by the South Peninsula Municipality. The study now incorporates the Draft South Peninsula Sub-regional Plan and the Extension Study.

The study is intended as a tool for guiding and directing sub-metropolitan investment, spatial planning, and development patterns and initiatives. As an overall assessment of the former SPA area, it attempts to define the issues that need to be addressed, sets out the goals and principles for land use control and management of development and prioritises local authority action.

It deals with land use, transportation, infrastructure, housing and economic development issues that affect the study area, hence public participation and acceptance are ex-

tremely important.

The Planning and Environment Portfolio Committee referred the document to a meeting of all the councillors of the South Peninsula Administrative Area for review and discussion. This group recommended that further public participation was essential for validity of the plan.

A copy of the study dated August 2001 is available in the library.

2. **The Peninsula Urban Edge** was adopted by Council in August. The purpose of defining the urban edge is to:

- Contain urban sprawl
- Protect significant environments and resources within the urban fringe
- Re-orientate expectations of continued outward expansion of the urban area
- Promote a more compact, efficient and environmentally sustainable urban form
- Rationalize infrastructure and service de-

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livery to designated and consolidated urban areas.

The study identifies three components of the urban edge, namely the Urban Edge Line, the Urban Transition Zone and the Non-urban Zone.

Fire protection is one of the policies for the Urban Transition Zone. The policy states: "Appropriate fire protection measures against wild fires must be developed and applied to all new structures in the UTZ. Owners of existing structures should also be encouraged to install fire protection measures.

Arising out of the fires of January 2000 which burnt in excess of 2000 ha of vegetation and several houses including several in Simon's Town, the Ukwaka Operations Firestop campaign was launched. The Natural Interface Study is one of the initiatives of this campaign. It aims to implement the following objective:

- To develop policies and codes with regard to risk management and forest water management relating to development along the Urban/natural interface.

The study includes:

- The review of existing fire risk management measures and tools used by local authorities and of national and international best practice.
- Demarcation of a special fire management zone on the urban side of the natural interface zone.
- Development of guidelines and criteria for development in the special fire management zone covering on planning layout and design of engineering services (e.g. storm water, fire hydrants and roads) to accommodate the flow and effects of fires.
- Installation of the special management zone as an overlay zone into the new land use management system.

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between land use planning and development and fire risk had not been sufficiently understood. Nor had the link between alien growth infestation and storm water runoff. The result is that a number of planning layouts on the slopes of the Peninsula Mountain Chain actually hamper the fighting of veld fires and increase the risk to lives and properties in those areas and also lead to flooding of properties built in natural water courses.

There are a number of landowners in the interface zone who do not manage their properties with due regard to these elements. This includes the Council and the State.

The Natural Interface Study will focus on:

- The definition of criteria and management options for a special fire risk management zone on the urban side of the interface and the development of guidelines to be used with existing planning, environmen-

tal and engineering procedures.

- The compilation of guidelines for new developments based on an assessment of the risk of fires, post-fire flooding and erosion in urban areas and in the special fire risk management zone.
- The assessment of storm water capacity in existing developments in the special fire risk management zone in case of removal of invasive alien vegetation higher up in the catchments through burning or alien clearing.
- The integration of new guidelines into current land use management, building control and engineering functions of the City.

All the above studies and plans will result in policies and practices which shape our environment for years to come. Public awareness and participation are essential. This is our future.

3. Seaforth Beach and Parking:

Plans for this area will be presented at the Boulders' Open Day on 29 November 2001.

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Management of the Council property is to change with the retirement and resignation of certain officials. It appears that there will be no charge for entrance to Seaforth Beach this year, and possibly no charge for parking because of parking problems.

Nick Holderness
Ward Councillor
Ward 68 City of Cape Town
Simon's Town, Red Hill;
Seaborough; Kommetjies
Ocean View; Fish Hoek South

Property Watch No 34

November 2001

Details of applications currently being dealt with by the South Peninsula Administration are:

1.1 Eri 60 Simon's Town: Land Use Departure application on behalf of Wiston Scholes. No change from Report No.33.

1.2 Eri 2295 Simon's Town (Boulders Beach Guest House): Application to rezone from General Residential to Business. No change from Report No.33.

1.3 Eri 1130, 193 Queens Road, Simon's Town: Application for a Land Use Departure to convert Residential House to Medical practice. No change from Report No.33.

1.4 Eri 95 Cairnside: Application to subdivide into portions. No change from Report No.33.

1.5 Eri 825 Simon's Town (Military Way Bayview): Application to subdivide into two portions without formal access to one of them. No change from Report No.33.

1.6 Eri 2212 Glencairn Heights: Application for Bed & Breakfast establishment. No change from Report No.33.

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1.7 **Erf 2464 Forest Hill:** Application for subdivision into two parts. No change from Report No.33.

1.8 **Erf 3590 Simon's Town (Quarry Road):** Application for proposed rezoning, subdivision and departures change of zoning from general residential to single residential for five dwellings (attached) and 7 additional garages. Surrounding owners have requested certain conditions which have been accepted by the new owner. No change from Report No.33.

1.9 **Erf 3477 Simon's Town (Goede Gift):** Application for the proposed subdivision into four portions. Access to the site is proposed by means of a driveway excavated over municipal erf 941 and ramped over Quarry Lane down to a level 3m. above the site (existing steps connecting Quarry Lane to Goede Gift to be replaced contiguous to the ramp. No change from report No 33.

1.10 **Erf 30,** (50 Fairbairn Street, Glencairn Heights): Application for departure from height restriction.

1.11 **Erf No 4403 Simon's Town (88 Dorries Drive)** Application for departure from single residential, to convert existing accommodation into "granny flat" and to reduce building line from 4.5 to 1m.

Other Property Matters

2.1 **CFM 983 Wildschutsbrandvlei:** Application for Land use departure to permit arts and crafts shop, pottery studio and sales outlet and a place for curio sellers. No change from Report No.33.

2.2 **CFM 1404 Wildschutsbrand Farm;** Application for Land Use Departure for the establishment of a restaurant and tea garden, an African arts and craft market and overnight accommodation. No change from Report No.33.

2.3 **Erven 2204 Glencairn Heights; 3321 Glen Marine:** Applications by Ericsson S.A. to permit the installation of Cellular Communication Base Stations and Antennas in Golconda Street and Seemeu Street. No change from Report No.33.

2.4 **Erven 2904, 3333 and 3117, Simon's Town:** The offer of R81 000 for Erf 3333 was withdrawn and the property is still open for sale. No change from Report No 33.

2.5 **Vodacom** application to erect cellular transmitter mast in Da Gama Park. No change from Report No 33.

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Hamid passed away in 1975 and Ramon in 1983. Hazak (Jacky) continues to run the business together with his wife Saberszen and his children.

The Central Supply Store has played a leading role in the development of the business community in Simon's Town and has been a contributor to, and supporter of, projects such as the NSRF, The Crane Initiative and the Community Police Forum.

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Cathrynne Salter-Jansen

Station 10 N.S.R.I.

Statcom Dave Roberts

Thankfully November 2001 has produced no callouts so far and our Coxswains on duty days and some nights have been carrying on with the important on-going task of crew training. This occurs, even on days when the South Easter is pumping in False Bay, as it is want to do at this time of the year.

Now you fellows out there who know a lot about boats and such things and who sit on your porches with a G & T and mumble to yourselves about these young fellows in the N.S.R.I., "pushing that boat to beyond it's limits into the weather!" Just bear in mind that this boat is specially designed to oper-

ate in heavy weather and usually the calls for assistance come when weather conditions are not at their friendliest and those Coxswains know the limitations of their craft, they know their service relies on public funding and they are also very aware that their crews need to be trained even in the hairiest of conditions.

So! Come on chaps, give them a break and give them your support in all the ways you can because it may be your favourite nephew they are off to rescue from a visit to "Davey Jones"!!

The Shorelink Committee recently organised a very interesting event when it entertained as guests at it's monthly meeting Mick and Margaret Testoni from the R.N.L.I. Lifeboat Station at Aldeburgh in Suffolk, England. Aldeburgh is situated between the larger centres of Lowestoft to the North and Harwich to the South on the East Coast of Suffolk

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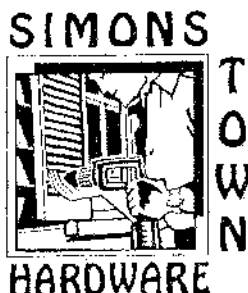
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Mick presented the chairman Phil Ferreira with the Aldeburgh boat station crest which had been suitably inscribed. Thereafter all adjourned to the Faise Bay Yacht Club who had kindly allowed us the use of their facilities to have a cocktail type reception where we were all afforded the opportunity to chat to Mick and Margaret. The evening passed all too soon after Phil had said some words of thanks and given Mick a Station 10 crest to take back to Aldeburgh. It is wonderful to know that we have made some excellent friends in U.K. and if any of our young or older crew members were to find themselves in Aldeburgh they would only be made all too welcome by these fine people.

It is always sad when one has to lose a good friend but when that friend is also a young, keen and useful volunteer crew member it becomes doubly so. Such is the case with young Brad Yeatman who has been involved at Station 10 since he was 10 years old, doing the odd cleaning task and being a helping hand while he patiently waited until he was 16 when he could become a learner crew man.

All this finally paid off and a year ago on turning 18 he was officially inducted as a crew member. So one could say that Brad served a long apprenticeship and now he is a fully qualified crew member who has done all his seamanship tasks and has completed his level three First Aid course. Brad came to love the sea and boats through contact with his grandfather who had been a S.A. Naval diving instructor and

one time Recce Commando member. Brad had also been a member of the Fish Hoek First Sea Scout Troop where he rose to troop leader and Senior Scout which in themselves are achievements. He has recently completed writing his Matric Exams and is confident that he has passed.

What is really bad news is that Brad Yeatman, this very promising young lad, is going to England to join the British Army. Not only will he be lost to Station 10 but also to South Africa.

Station 10 has been thrilled to be the benefactors of a bit of largesse from their neighbours the False Bay Yacht Club in the form of a winch which has been semi-permanently loaned to them. This will be put to good use and we are grateful and thank F.B.Y.C for their kindness.

A further happening that has thrilled us even more is the arrival of a son to our married crew members Paul and Olivia Alexander on Sunday 25 November. Congratulations

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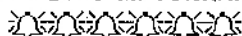
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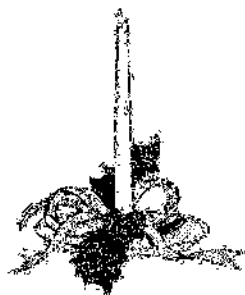
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to you both. Paul certainly perhaps be more relaxed, and I am sure Olivia is over the moon! Maybe Station 10 will benefit in the long run and give brother Alexander crew member.

Well with the festive season just on the horizon we ask all who go down to the sea in boats to take the extra bit of care out there so that we don't need to come to your aid as much as we are prepared to do. Lots of love and good wishes to you all.

*Yours aye,
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2001 has been a difficult year for many of our members especially as the demand for accommodation was depressingly low during the winter months from May to August. In addition the effects of the unbelievable disasters of 11th September in New York and Washington DC have been felt to varying degrees throughout the world. While it is perhaps too early to assess the consequences of these unprecedented, dire events, on the local level the number of visitors (especially from Europe) to our town has risen steadily in October and November but it is too early to judge whether we will enjoy a bumper Christmas season. Sadly this year there seems to be a marked decrease in the numbers of South Africans re-

quiring (or able to afford?) holiday accommodation - perhaps a reflection of hard economic times and even possibly the uncertain situation in Zimbabwe.

On a more positive note, the highlight this month has been the week-long visit of the magnificent sailing ship "Dufken". Constructed in Freemantle, Australia, she is a precise replica of a Dutch vessel which mapped part of the Australian coastline in 1606.

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Staff at the Information Bureau were kept very busy arranging accommodation, airport collections and day tours - we were sad indeed to say farewell to the lovely ship and its friendly crew.

As usual December will be a hectic month in the town ending with the traditional New

Year Party on Jubilee Square. Tickets are now on sale at the Tourism Bureau and the Stron's Town Museum and cost £140 per person. Good news - This year St George's Street (opposite Jubilee Square) will be closed to traffic and this will allow more space for dancing than last year.

The Navy Band will once again play at the Christmas Carol Service held at 8pm on Jubilee Square on Saturday 18th December. There will be a collection in aid of St Luke's Hospice.

Another highlight will be the popular show

"Murrissa" at the Stron's Theatre in the West Dockyard from 12 to 15 December. To reserve seats phone 769-2465.

In recent months Peninsula Tourists have acquired several new members - welcome to the Duggie and Mike Walker-Wells from Natal where they ran "The Outpost" a well-known B & B establishment for a number of years. Their elegant new B & B south of Simon's Town which is also called "The Outpost" has superb views across Table Bay and is an invaluable addition to the list of accommodation available in Simon's Town.

There are also four exceptionally attractive new self-catering establishments all offering sea views - Frankie & Pauline have "Agave" a pleasant one-bedroomed apartment in Forest Hill and have survived their first clients. David Bruce owns "Baygon" a spacious bright flat overlooking the Glencairn valley - also with one large bedroom with bed for two adults. It has a full kitchen space

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The most spacious new accommodation is "Bluebay View" an exceptionally attractive three-bedroomed family home in Seaforth, which is owned by Wendy and Matthew Walton. A striking feature is the large timber deck with panoramic views right across False Bay.

Peninsula Tourism has great pleasure in welcoming these new members all of whom offer a very high standard of accommodation. One last welcome is to Sandy and Leon Strydom of "Albatross" in Simon's Kloof. Although they've been members for a year, it has been as absentee landlords paying occasional visits from Johannesburg, but now Leon has retired and they have moved into the upper part of their lovely home. They

had not even unpacked their boxes before we persuaded them to accommodate a German couple.

In conclusion, I must thank Dr Reg Loxton for so generously allowing us space in "Snoektown" to provide regular news about tourism. My advice to him for 2002 is to avoid any purple-headed persons or government ministers in his path - take a wide detour, Doc. Thanks also to Bureau staff Thorn, Fazlin and Beverley and to Staff at Peninsula Tourism Head Office in Muizenberg for their support throughout the year.

A bouquet to Simon's Town Publicity Association Chairman Dave Hurwitz and our marvellous committee especially to Cherry Dilley and Jean le Roux from the Museum.

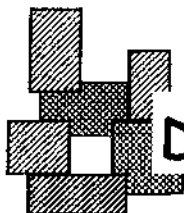
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A Tanganyika Diary

Part II

The Wadumbo are gentle people, good-tempered and friendly. Except for the rare occasion when a man has drunk too much palm-juice and brandishes a paddle, there is no violence. They help each other in times of need, and have helped us and accepted us as members of the community.

Old pointers: will they truly be forgotten. Evara Mtefu Mzuri, the Mwenzi, Kristof and I find by next year? Or will we become a legend, a story about the Wazungu who lived among them for a while? For sure, I shall remember them for the years, long after I have forgotten their language.

April 26 1954

An interesting footnote concerns Christopher. On the voyage south I was sitting on deck, CD on my lap and Lord on his yellow banyan seat to the deck chair.



An old gun nearby snored and sniggered "disgraceful". I thought he was expressing disapproval of Christopher's taking pages from the paperback I was trying to read, but the cause of the irritation was, he said, that this European child was speaking the native Lingo - worse, that I was speaking, a white woman, the Lingo right back.



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"Do you know," I said to Sailor when he turned up from wherever he'd been, "our child speaks only kiSwahili?" So we set about teaching our little boy some basic English phrases, like Good Morning and Thank You, which he enthusiastically repeated - but with a strong Airican accent. We found this very puzzling.

We arrived in Durban one Sunday morning and were driven down to Uvongo by the welcoming committee. Lunch was ready and a hired high chair was waiting for Christopher, its tray covered with nursery rhyme cloth and set with spoon, fork and bowl. "Don't fuss," Sailor said as Aileen hovered. He spread part of the Sunday Times on the floor, put CD down on it and placed a bowl of rice laced with butter between his legs. Christopher happily scooped up handfuls of his favourite chakula, while Aileen threatened to have the vapours.

June 30 1954

Johannesburg

I fear our families find us rather odd, and after a few weeks of our company will be glad to see us leave. Sailor has accepted an AE & CI sponsored research fellowship to the University College of the Gold Coast. We're due to leave shortly, flying Pan Am.

Kwisha Kabisa - The End

Simon's Town Community Police Forum

PARTY TIME

The Police Forum extends an invitation to the community to join our local policemen and women, and their families at a braai to be held on the fifteenth of December at the Navy Sports Fields, Martello Road (opposite IMT). Captain du Pisanie, Station Commissioner, is a man with a fearsome reputa-



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tion when it comes to braaivleis. He will provide the coals so all you need to do is to arrive around 4pm with your meat, drink, chairs, umbrellas (hopefully for the sun) and utensils. All ages are welcome. It's a great opportunity to meet your protectors. The Forum has provided meat for the police contingent (and that includes all the law enforcement agencies - Navy, Traffic, SPM Law Enforcement and Parks Board) but doesn't have resources to feed the entire town, so please bring your own.

We look forward to seeing you there.

POLICE RESERVISTS WANTED

The Police Service is severely handicapped by manpower shortages. However, Simon's Town has authority to recruit 10 Reservists. The Community Police Officer is a Reservist, and we are pleased to advise that our Bobby on the Beat has also now been accepted into the Reserve.

Reservists are only required to undertake a

minimum of eight hours duty per month, which is hardly onerous. In the early months of service new recruits will be used in the Charge Office, to familiarise them with the procedures and to allow experienced officers to get out on the streets.

The work is voluntary, and applicants should be physically fit, aged between 21 and 60, and proficient in at least English (but preferably bilingual). There is no gender or race discrimination. Training consists of nine modules, upon completion of which Reservists will be permitted to accompany regular officers on patrol.

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PLEASE JOIN US

We think that a lot of people are under the impression that the Forum is a closed shop. It isn't. All the citizens of Simon's Town are eligible for membership, which can be acquired by simply coming along to our monthly public meetings. There is no membership fee, no application form. You are welcome to attend, to raise concerns and participate in the process. It is a public Forum, with an elected committee who, in addition to the monthly public meeting (which is held on the last Monday of each month, excluding December) hold an Exco meeting once a month. Committee members are currently Dan (Blackie) Swart, Tony Robinson, Dorothy Medinski, Manu Choudree, Peter Law and Capt. Du Pisanio.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Congratulations to Ian Howes on becoming the new chairman of this important body. We hope we will see you at our meetings Ian, and look forward to co-operating with you. We would like to add our good wishes to John Page, retiring chairman, who has worked hard for NIW and put in many years of valuable service.

FOOTNOTES

*Rumour has it that the much promised, long awaited, additional bulletproof vests will soon be with us. We are grateful to Martin Smolders for the donation of these expensive but vital pieces of equipment, donated by Chubb to the Forum.

* We have also heard that our Bobby has been so admired by English visitors in particular, that he has received an invitation to visit the Metropolitan Police in London, all

expenses paid.

* Manu has come up with a new word Gococo - sounds a bit like a nightcap, but it is going to turn into a crime-fighting plan. There'll be more about that next year.

* There has been an arrest in the case of armed robbery at Glencairn, and others for a spate of Simon's Town housebreakings.

* Be aware that breakings and theft out of motor vehicle are currently on the increase.

*Keep your eyes and ears open and phone the police if you see something suspicious - please.

*We expect temporary accommodation to arrive in December to house the Magistrates Court. We understand that the fire was the result of an electrical fault. *

Tony Robinson
(The other one)

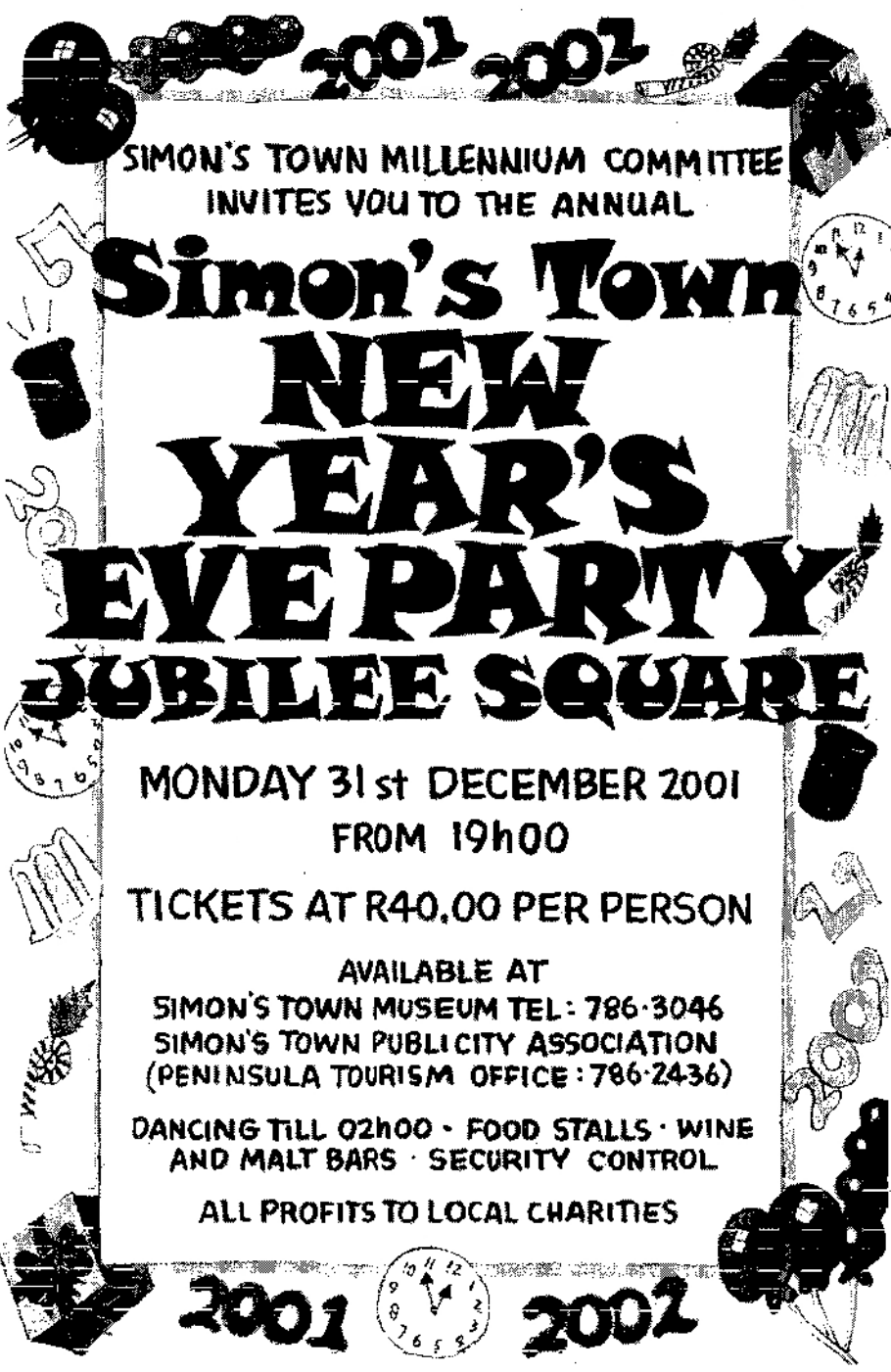
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Glencairn Heights Anti-Crime Meeting

On 13 November 2001 approximately 60 residents from Glencairn Heights attended a public meeting after the positive response from 250 for the residents.

The meeting was to discuss the security proposal by Chubb. The majority of people at the meeting were in favour of paying for security however there were residents who felt that they had sufficient security and that they were not in favour of the paying option.

Approximately thirty residents have undertaken to go door to door to discuss the merits of the proposed service, and on the date some a plan of action will be instituted.

Please support the collective effort to make our area safer as fragmented efforts stand very little chance of success.

Mary Choudree

From the Bosun's Chair

Happily many of our Shuckee residents will have seen the recent visitor here from the distant past, the replica of the Dutch Square-rigged ship "Mayflower".

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tures 4 knots under sail when in the uniform of a brass walking pace.

Now, you might say, I suppose it is but what was the hurry back around 1500 anyway, you get bit and by voyage and on month after you arrive, no radios, no pollution, what a total pleasure and me back shortly!

Whilst in Simon's Town she was berthed in the docks just behind Cable Restorer and later could be seen high up on the service lift where she had a bottom clean and zealous paint application.

Happily the Rock 1 October season opened. On Thursday the 22nd, but up till the time of writing the Game Doctor has been with the waiting. Meaning that two seals have ventured down to Cape Point to catch their quota.

Recreative she however is hampered by a strong South-easter and diving and draggy operations is possible.

One of the great pleasures in life is to be able to under the soaring wings of Cape Point on a quiet day (we do never then see occasional) evading perhaps fifteen minutes or so for the pleasure to get comfortable in your seat, the many son who's whistling and calling overhead, one feels so far from the stresses of civilisation. Thereafter? You had better believe it...

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The Night Sky

December 2001

In the early evening Sagittarius, the Archer, is seen setting in the west, which is followed by Capricornus, the Goat, Aquarius, the Water Carrier, and then Pisces the Fish.

Aries, the Ram, which is the first constellation in the cycle of the 12 signs of the zodiac is next. There come a number of very bright constellations which dominate the night sky. Taurus, the Bull, with bright Bulls eye called Aldebaran is V-shaped and may be seen north-east - as the pathway of the planets called the ecliptic - is high overhead in Summer.

Another group of stars which form part of Taurus is the Seven Sisters or Pleiades. Most people are able to identify this constellation, which has for thousands of years, been used as a test of one's eyesight. How many stars are visible to you? Seven? Five? Or more? If

you have exceptional eyesight eight stars may be seen under clear conditions. There are dozens of not so bright stars at this group, which may be seen using binoculars or a telescope.

In mythology they were the seven daughters of Atlas, but one Sterope married a mortal and so faded away. In distant historical times, one of the stars has been reported as fading away. In the poem "Beppo" by Byron, we are reminded of what happened: "Like the lost Pleiad seen no more below". In the Old Testament God convinced Job of his ignorance: "Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bonds of Orion?"

As the stars rise 3 minutes 55.91 seconds, say 4 minutes, earlier each day, the bright Gemini (Twins) on the ecliptic with nearby to the south, Orion is seen. His Big Dog



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Canis Major, containing Sirius, the brightest star in the sky and Canis Minor with Procyon dominate the sky after Orion. South of this is the bright Canopus, the False Cross, the Diamond Cross, the Southern Cross, with the Pointers in Centaurus and Musca (the Fly).

On the northern side of the ecliptic (which is overhead in Summer, opposite Pisces (the Fish) is the Great Square of Pegasus (Flying Horse) and over Aries (the Ram) is the northern Triangle and Andromeda (the daughter of Cepheus). It will be of interest to all who wish to see a new comet this December to be able to identify these stars and constellations.

This evening (22 November) the new comet named Linear C/2000 WN is visible in Aries (the Ram) and is moving rapidly towards Pisces (the Fish). It has a disappointingly short tail which is pointing away from the Sun.

At the beginning of December the comet will be in Pisces, moving at 3° daily away from the ecliptic to the south; in Cetus (Sea Monster) on the 6th and Sculptor on the 16th; Grus (Crane) from the 22nd; until the end of December. In January it will be quite far south in Indus ending in Telescopium at the end of the month.

Comets are very difficult to predict, but it is expected that Comet Linear C/2000 WN will be a naked eye object, magnitude 5, during December and January - at present it is visible using binoculars at 8 magnitude. It will be interesting to know how many will find the comet during the next two months, with or without binoculars or telescopes. It will be visible during February and March using a telescope, unless it disintegrates unexpectedly as our last comet did after going around the Sun!

The Planets

Mercury, magnitude 1.1, is low in the west after sunset in Scorpius. Venus, magnitude -3.9 moving from Sagittarius to Capricorn

during the month, but disappearing into the sunrise on the 3rd.

Mars, magnitude +0.4, is the highest planet after the sun sets and will be seen in Aquarius in the west at this time. It is 4° north of the Moon on the 20th.

Jupiter, magnitude -2.7 is the bright planet seen in the east during early evening, moving from Capricornus in November to Aquarius in December.

The two bright stars Castor and Pollux (Gemini) are a few hours ahead of it in the sky. It is a beautiful sight in the sky after 11pm and may be mistaken for an aircraft coming in to land above Stellenbosch.

Saturn, magnitude -0.4 is the bright planet in the north east above Jupiter. It is a pale yellow colour, being 0.5° south of the Moon on the 1st. As it is tilted we are at present able to see the bright rings illuminated from underneath and is worth finding and viewing with a pair of binoculars or telescope.

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Uranus, magnitude +5.9 is in Capricornus with Neptune, being 4° north of the Moon on the 19th.

Neptune, magnitude +8.0 remains in Capricornus this year together with Uranus being 4° north of the Moon on the 19th. Pluto is not visible.

The Moon

Full Moon is on the 30th; Last Quarter on the 7th. New Moon is on the 14th; First Quarter is on the 22nd.

Perigee is on the 7th when it will be closest to Earth and Apogee on the 21st.

The Sun

On the 1st, Sunrise is at 5:29am and Sunset at 7:43pm. On the 30th Sunrise is at 5:32am and Sunset at 7:57pm.

On the 21st is the Summer Solstice when the Sun reaches its most southerly point on the Tropic of Capricorn and official Summer begins. We will be closest to the Sun during the first four days in January 2002.

Meteor Showers

The Leonids were a non-event in Simon's Town as nothing was seen on the 17th November as had been predicted, which was a great disappointment. The Taurids produced a few meteors on the 12th November. However, one of the local papers published photographs of Leonids seen on the 17th from Japan and the United States, which several people saw and let me know of, for which I was pleased.

Comets

Comet Linear C/2000 WN is visible at present without the long tail associated with comets. At the beginning of the month it is in Pisces; Cetus on the 6th; Sculptor on the 16th; Gaus from the 22nd until the end of the month. At present it is an 8 magnitude object visible only using a telescope or binoculars, but later predicted to be of 5 magnitudes and visible with the naked eye.

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Simon's Town SAPS

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Achievers: Lauren Matthys participated in the "Hoër Afrikaans Tall eksamen" which is open to all learners in South Africa. Not only did Lauren achieve a mark of 80% and higher, she ended in the top 20 Afrikaans speakers in South Africa. The achievement is even more noteworthy considering that the exam is written as a first language and is not even Lauren's home language.

Thapelo Manala's diligence in Maritime studies has led to his winning a study bursary in Denmark next year.

You may now be wondering what the above has to do with a police/crime column: It is to highlight the positive aspects of Simon's Town School, which has an **open** policy with the SAPS, Simon's Town, when dealing with problems which crop up from time to time. The school has never hesitated to allow specific incidents to be mentioned in this column which other schools are scared may sully their name and/or reputation. We at Simon's Town Police wish Mr Florentino and staff all the best in their future endeavours and look forward to maintaining the healthy relations currently enjoyed.

Snail bait poisonings: Information received from a local resident and I quote verbatim "We seem to be in the midst of a plague of snails. The vets have reported a higher incidence of dogs being poisoned by snail bait. *Please be very careful how you place the poison.* Preferably use an animal proof container. Use only within the enclosed boundary of your property and **never** on open ground or sidewalks where any animal can find it". Residents are asked to be careful in their use of snail bait as owners of dogs eating it invariably phone the SAPS wishing to open cases, etc.

Simon's Town Neighbourhood Watch: It is with regret that the Neighbourhood Watch received the resignation of **Mr John Page**, chairman for the last 5 years, due to SPA Disaster Management commitments. He will still represent the Murdoch Valley area. **Mr Ian Howse** is the new chairman and **Mr Brad Wallace-Bradley**, vice-chairman with effect from January 2002. Mr Page is thanked for his sterling efforts and the new incumbents are congratulated. The next meeting will be 8 January 2002, Simon's Town Hall at 5pm.

Simon's Town Court: On 1 November the Simon's Town Magistrate's Court was gutted by fire. Until further notice court sessions will be held in the old Simon's Town Library Building as well as Muizenberg. Unless notified, all witnesses, accused, etc. must still report to the Simon's Town Magistrate's Court. Tel: 786-1561; 786-1562 or 786-1565.

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A special thank you to the SAPS in Simon's Town for always being there when needed, to Simon's Town High School for their understanding, to False Bay Hospital, Ocean View Bay Hospital and the sisters and nurses of the local Clinic in Simon's Town, to Shaun and Lurdi Budjari of Budjari Handling Material - thank you for the work opportunities you afford the residents.

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Cindy Dollery

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Day of Week Dag van Week		High/Hoog- water		Low/Laag- water		Sun/Son		Moon/Maan	
		a.m. vm.	p.m. nm.	a.m. vm.	p.m. nm.	Rises Op- koms	Sets Onder- gang	Rises Op- koms	Sets Onder- gang
		a.m. u.m.	p.m. u.m.	a.m. u.m.	p.m. u.m.	a.m. u.m.	p.m. u.m.	a.m. u.m.	p.m. u.m.
1	Sat/Sat	0320	1528	0918	2144	0528	1943	2029	0550
2	Sun/Son	0356	1607	0957	2222	0528	1943	2132	0639
3	Mon/Maan	0436	1649	1039	2304	0527	1944	2231	0734
4	Tue/Dins	0519	1736	1126	2350	0527	1945	2325	0836
5	Wed/Woens	0609	1831	1223	—	0527	1945	—	0943
6	Thur/Don	0708	1937	0045	1332	0527	1946	0012	1051
7	Fri/Vry	0819	2057	0151	1456	0527	1947	0053	1200
8	Sat/Sat	0938	2222	0309	1620	0527	1948	0129	1306
9	Sun/Son	1051	2335	0428	1732	0528	1948	0203	1412
10	Mon/Maan	1153	—	0537	1830	0528	1949	0236	1518
11	Tue/Dins	0035	1245	0635	1919	0528	1950	0308	1623
12	Wed/Woens	0125	1332	0724	2002	0528	1950	0343	1729
13	Thur/Don	0210	1416	0809	2042	0528	1951	0421	1835
14	Fri/Vry	0252	1457	0851	2119	0529	1952	0503	1938
15	Sat/Sat	0331	1535	0930	2154	0529	1952	0549	2038
16	Sun/Son	0408	1613	1008	2227	0529	1953	0641	2132
17	Mon/Maan	0444	1648	1045	2259	0529	1954	0736	2220
18	Tue/Dins	0520	1724	1122	2333	0530	1954	0833	2301
19	Wed/Woens	0557	1800	1201	—	0530	1955	0930	2337
20	Thur/Don	0637	1841	0007	1245	0531	1955	1027	—
21	Fri/Vry	0724	1931	0047	1338	0531	1956	1123	0009
22	Sat/Sat	0823	2038	0137	1446	0532	1957	1218	0038
23	Sun/Son	0934	2203	0245	1603	0532	1957	1312	0106
24	Mon/Maan	1042	2321	0407	1713	0533	1958	1408	0133
25	Tue/Dins	1140	—	0520	1809	0533	1958	1505	0200
26	Wed/Woens	0019	1228	0617	1854	0534	1959	1604	0230
27	Thur/Don	0106	1311	0703	1935	0534	1959	1706	0304
28	Fri/Vry	0147	1353	0746	2014	0535	1959	1811	0342
29	Sat/Sat	0226	1435	0827	2053	0536	1959	1916	0427
30	Sun/Son	0306	1517	0909	2134	0536	2000	2018	0520
31	Mon/Maan	0347	1601	0952	2216	0537	2000	2116	0621

Last Quarter/Laaste Kwartier Dec. 07 2152
New Moon/Nuwemaan Dec. 14 2249

First Quarter/Eerste Kwartier Dec. 22 2257
Full Moon/Volmaan Dec. 30 1242

Tide Table - January 2002

	Day of Week Kingman Reef	High Water		Low Water		Sun/Sun		Moon/Moon	
		Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
		h.m.	ft.	h.m.	ft.	h.m.	ft.	h.m.	ft.
1	Tue/Dins	0431	16.47	1039	20.70	0538	20.01	2207	0729
2	Wed/Wechs	0516	17.32	1128	20.45	0639	20.01	2321	0838
3	Thur/Don	0604	18.26	1222	—	0540	20.01	2330	0949
4	Fri/Vry	0655	19.21	0104	19.20	0541	20.01	—	10.59
5	Sat/Sat	0758	20.28	0127	14.27	0542	20.01	0005	12.05
6	Sun/Son	0858	21.40	0229	15.40	0543	20.02	0038	13.11
7	Mon/Maan	1009	23.01	0341	16.57	0544	20.02	0111	14.18
8	Tue/Dins	1119	—	0501	18.08	0545	20.02	0144	15.20
9	Wed/Wechs	0014	12.24	0614	19.06	0546	20.02	0200	16.24
10	Thur/Don	0114	13.09	0712	19.58	0547	20.02	0258	17.27
11	Fri/Vry	0200	14.07	0804	20.35	0547	20.02	0343	18.27
12	Sat/Sat	0245	14.50	0847	21.11	0548	20.02	0432	19.31
13	Sun/Son	0323	15.26	0925	21.44	0549	20.01	0526	20.19
14	Mon/Maan	0358	16.03	0959	22.14	0550	20.01	0622	20.57
15	Tue/Dins	0431	16.15	1032	22.43	0551	20.01	0719	21.55
16	Wed/Wechs	0502	17.06	1104	23.12	0552	20.01	0817	22.09
17	Thur/Don	0554	17.57	1137	23.41	0553	20.00	0913	22.39
18	Fri/Vry	0607	18.10	1212	—	0554	20.00	1008	23.08
19	Sat/Sat	0642	18.47	0103	12.52	0555	20.00	1109	23.33
20	Sun/Son	0722	19.32	0206	13.32	0556	19.59	1157	—
21	Mon/Maan	0811	20.32	0308	14.38	0557	19.59	1252	00.00
22	Tue/Dins	0915	21.57	0431	15.52	0558	19.59	1349	00.29
23	Wed/Wechs	1031	23.26	0557	17.12	0559	19.58	1449	01.00
24	Thur/Don	1143	—	0528	18.20	0600	19.57	1551	01.34
25	Fri/Vry	0034	12.43	0636	19.13	0601	19.57	1654	02.15
26	Sat/Sat	0127	13.35	0730	19.59	0602	19.56	1758	03.03
27	Sun/Son	0215	14.28	0817	20.43	0603	19.56	1859	03.00
28	Mon/Maan	0256	15.11	0903	21.25	0604	19.55	1954	03.06
29	Tue/Dins	0339	15.56	0947	22.07	0604	19.54	2043	03.16
30	Wed/Wechs	0421	16.40	1032	22.48	0605	19.53	2135	03.29
31	Thur/Don	0504	17.24	1119	23.30	0606	19.52	2224	03.42

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New Moon/Moon Jan. 13, 1961

First Quarter/First Quarter Jan. 21, 1960
Full Moon/Moon Jan. 29, 1962

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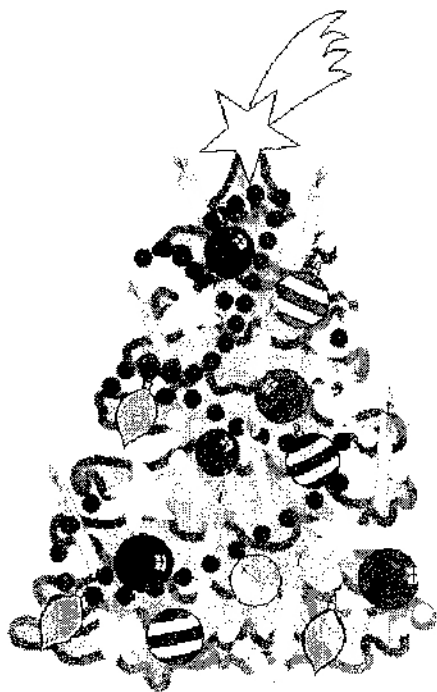


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Holiday Season**

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Christmas Brain Jammer

This treasure is over 5 hundred years old and would have been undertaken without the aid of a calculator. For those who don't know or cannot remember there are 12 inches in 1 foot, 3 feet in 1 yard, 16 ozs in 1 pound, 16 paces to a furlong.

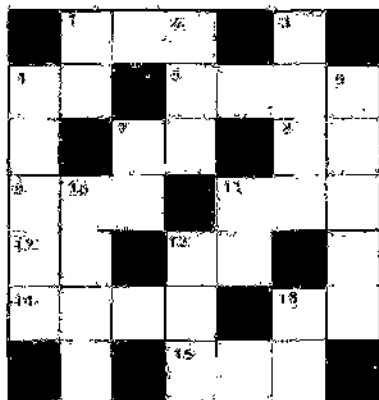
EXTRA INFORMATION

Chlorine was fed at 4 = 600 mg/kg BW/day

Cost of presents = Cost of Conversions x 3

any other way, but I believe the people

The total of the digits in 1 across = the total of the digits in 71 across



ACROSS:

- 1 Weight of Christmas cake in oz
- 2 Puns of conjurer in shillings
- 3 Cost of Party without presents in pence
- 4 Length of Hall to the nearest foot
- 5 Cost of decorations to the nearest shilling
- 6 Width of Hall in inches
- 7 Cost of decorations in pence
- 8 Length of string in yards
- 9 Number of adults present
- 10 Cost of presents in pence
- 11 Number of goodies on the tree
- 12 Square of the number of children who felt ill

DOWN:

- 1 Weight of Christmas Cake to the nearest pound
- 2 Length of Hall in inches
- 3 Cost of party and presents in pence
- 4 Area of Hall in square inches
- 5 Cube of the number of candles on the tree
- 7 Length of string in feet
- 10 Fibs of one letter in string
- 11 Number of people, minus 10
- 13 Number of balloons
- 15 Number of children who felt it



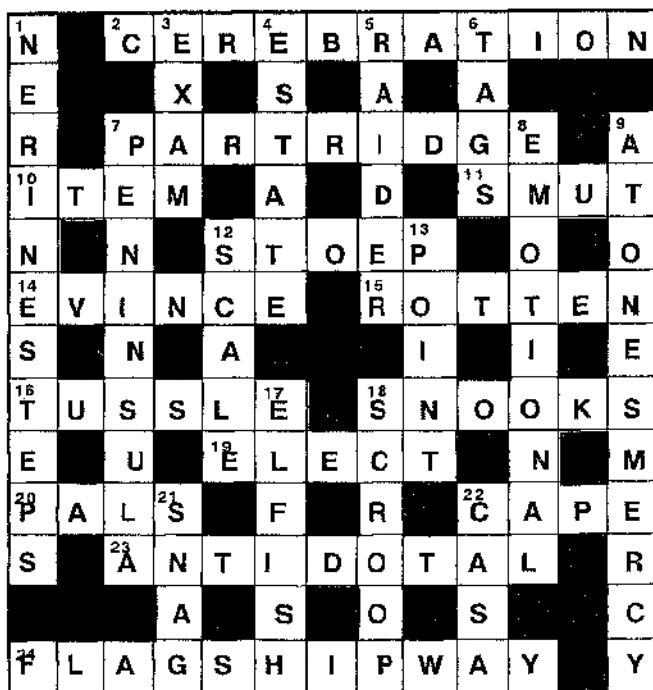
DON'T LEAVE HOME WITHOUT US!

HOUSE SITTERS

Believable, with references.

Ph **DAVE** 786-1750

CROSSWORD



PUZZLE 8

Winner: Anne Fry

How Now, Big Brother

She's an expert at slurping cucumbers,
Which agitates men in their numbers.

All the girls with accord
Shouted "Out with this broad!"
When they saw how she wriggled
her rumbas.



Committee Members and their Portfolios:

Simon's Town Community Police Forum

Dao Swart	Chairman	705 2502
Tony Robinson	Vice Chairman	785 1222
Peter Law	Treasurer	780 6695
Doretha Macoska	Secretary	788 9817
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Inst. D. Carstens	SAPS Simon's Town	786 2127
Capt. D. de P. van der Merwe	SAPS Simon's Town	786 1572
Sharon Smith	SAP Law Enforcement	786 3667
Dean Grobler	Asst. Super Traffic	082 737 0940
Manu Grooten	S.O.A.M.P.	787 3845
Nicki Holderness	City	786 3909
Don Dooling	NSRF Station 10 Shosholo	786 1714

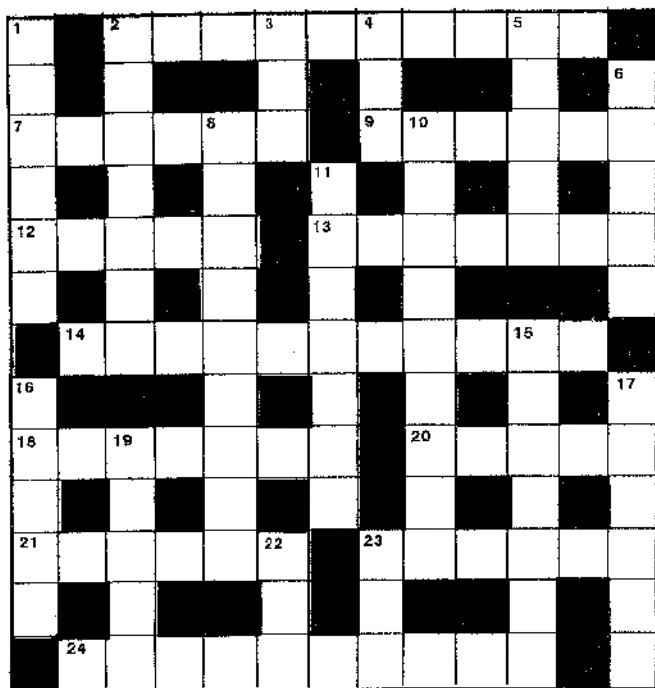
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Melanie Gutzey	Central Hotel	786 3775	PRD

Simon's Town Civic Association

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Holderness, Nicki	City	786 3909	786 3909
Boera, Sharon	Environment	786 1978	
Bushman, Justin	SANP (CNPP)	786 1421	786 2320
Chandree, Marc	Security/Service	782 7241	787 3845
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Lagden, Eve	Property	786 9650	
Lombro, Lorraine	Red Hill	786 9733	786 3909
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Nusse, Wilf	Communications	786 1969	
Palmer, Geoff	Litter	786 5412	
Boys, Bill	Development	786 3909	786 3909
Van Nieuwerk, Dirk	Roads & Traffic	786 1820	
Weaver, Jacky	Chairman Vlei	786 5336	

CROSSWORD



PUZZLE 9

CROSSWORD - DECEMBER

Across

- 2 Part of our main street, but not Kingsway (6,4)
 7 The price of beefing up a battery? (6)
 9 Spoil in a place to moor a boat at FBYC (6)
 12 Part of an anagram, or sent in code? (5)
 13 Negative slender gravity amounts to zero! (7)
 14 Might these local Holiday Homes be taken for a Police Station? (4,7)
 18 Skipping on one leg, flavouring beer! (7)
 20 This old novelist is not of the French enemy! (5)
 21 Murphy has knotted string in the baby's mess! (6)
 23 Aim for a steeple (6)
 24 North rolled on South to find the southernmost hotel (4,6)

Down

- 1 Last month shortly leads a current measure to leave in a hurry (6)
 2 Disagreement about an archer's bolt? (7)
 3 Before a cockney says "on this spot"? (3)
 4 Not all, they say, of the total (3)
 5 An excuse for 51 born in first-class? (5)
 6 Push your way into a canal-boat (5)
 8 I egged off bewildered to find this local property (5,4)
 10 The opinions struck by artist's models? (9)
 11 Two directions big? Swell! (7)
 15 Put a collar over a Scotsman and he's a rogue! (7)
 16 Phase out the form (5)
 17 Get indignant about our summer wind being in a tear (6)
 19 Patrick is over No. Ten, the Courtyard (5)
 22 Have won, possibly (3)
 23 Carpentry tool to break the law? (3)

PRIZE: R100 voucher valid at Café Pescado

Name: Tel. No:

- Entries in plain envelope addressed to Snoektown Calling Crossword Puzzle and delivered to Simon's Town Bottle Store before 25 January 2002
- First correct entry drawn will be the prize winner. Only one entry per person permitted.
- Result and solution in the following issue of Snoektown Calling.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER 2001

1. Christmas Carols on Jubilee Square with the Navy Band

Saturday 15th December at 6pm.
Collection in aid of St. Luke's Hospice.

2. Simonsberg Theatre, West Dockyard. "Nunsense" from 12 - 14 December at 8pm and Saturday 15 December at 2:30pm and 6:30pm.

Bookings Phone 785-2466.

3. Baroque Orchestra Concert

14 February 2002 at St Francis Church. Directed by Shirley Gie, Dr. John Birch, organist of Albert Hall, London, Alexandra Bass (flute) of Alibas, London and Stephen Roberts (Baritone). Enquiries: Juliet Bass 786-2362.

4. New Year Party on Jubilee Square

31 December 2001. Tickets at Peninsula Tourism Bureau and Simon's Town Museum at R40 per person Enquiries: 786-5798 or 786-3046.

5. Cape Model & Toy Club Collectors Toyfair Sunday 16th December

9:30am - 2:30pm. Dinky toys, models, trains, dolls, meccano, toys & soldiers. Buy, sell or Trade. All welcome, entrance free. Refreshments available. Enquiries 786-1395.

6. Friends of the S/ Town Coastline Saturday 8 & 22 December at

9:30am Combined Alien Vegetation Hack with Simon's Town Flora Conservation Group At Woodlands near Da Gama Park. Meeting place: Entrance road to Woodlands via Dido Valley Road. Enquiries: 786-1620. All Welcome.

Sunday 9 December at 9:30am Alien vegetation hack at Links Crescent, Simon's Town. Meeting place: Links Crescent Enquiries: 786 - 3890.

Sunday 23 December at 9:30am Combined walk with Simon's Town Flora Conservation Group at Sirkels Vlei, Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve. Meet at Main Gate. Normal entry fees payable. Enquiries: 789-1334 Note: For walks please bring suitable clothing and refreshments for tea and lunch.

Deadline for February Edition: Friday 25 January 2002

Next Publication: Monday 4 February 2002. Contact Sue Sturman 786 5798 or 786 2436 for forthcoming events only - payment for Snoektown calling will no longer be accepted at these premises.