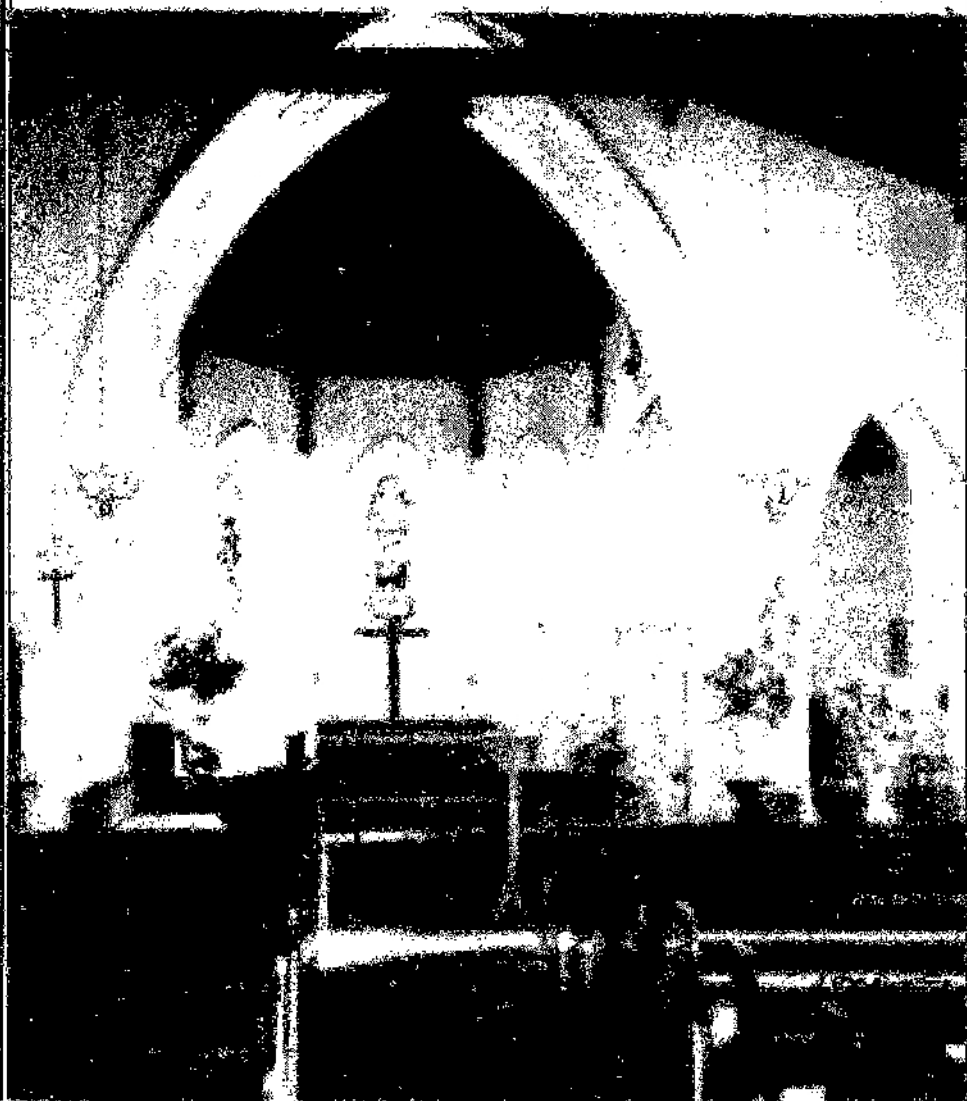


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St Francis Anglican Church, Simon's Town

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St Francis of Assisi Anglican Church

From the British Occupation of 1795 Anglican services were held at Simon's Town, the first being that which was held aboard *HMS Stately* by the naval chaplain. By 1812 Governor John Cradock was urging the provision of an Anglican church in Simon's Town.

The Royal Navy set up a naval base at Simon's Town in 1814 and the oldest Anglican Parish in Southern Africa was established in the same year. A large "pakhuis" (storehouse) in the centre of the town was converted into St George's Church (now Café Pascada) and opened its doors for the first time on 24 April 1814. Reverend George Hough was the first chaplain. The Rectory and a school (now Kalidas) were built next door - hence Rectory Lane.

Savage winter rains damaged the church in 1819 and again in 1824, this time so severely that the structure was irreparably destroyed. Each time the Naval Commissioner, Admiral Sir Jahleel Brenton allowed the Anglican congregation to be temporarily accommodated in the Sail Loft in the West Dockyard. From 1830 the Anglican congregation began to hire the Wesleyan Chapel, which had been built in 1826.

Bishop Daniel Wilson, The Anglican Bishop of Calcutta, visited Simon's Town in 1832 (and made history by consecrating the Wesleyan Chapel.) He urged the building of another Anglican Church. A fundraising drive was started and Lady Frances Cole, wife of Governor Sir Galbraith Lowry Cole, became the chief campaigner. In 1837 St Frances Church (named in honour of Lady Cole) was completed on the site of the DEIG's Granaries, next to the Residency (Simon's Town Museum). The opening service took place on 30 July 1837. The building is described as a simple rectangular Greek Temple with a low pitched, zinc roof, ceiling, square windows and a temple portico with Doric columns on the western façade.

Naval personnel worshipped in St Frances Church until a naval chaplain was appointed in 1848 and in 1850 the Sail Loft became the permanent naval chapel, being consecrated as St George's Dockyard Church in 1845. (It was closed in 1992 when the SA Naval Museum moved into the building, although it is still used intermittently for interdenominational naval services.)

In keeping with Simon's Town tradition, St Frances was used by the Dutch Reformed Church until their own place of worship was built in 1856!

St Frances was enlarged in 1862 by enclosing the colonnaded porch and adding a vestry and in 1891 further renovations led to the moving of the Sanctuary to the west end of the church and adding a new chancel, organ chamber, choir vestry and bell tower.

Further changes were made to St Frances in 1912 when the corrugated iron roof was replaced with slate tiles, requiring the pitch to be raised. The ceiling was removed and the original wooden beams were revealed. Gothic windows were considered more in keeping with the new look and the stained glass memorial windows were installed in 1924. As the largest church in Simon's Town, St Frances served as the Garrison church from 1914 to 1921. The boys from the SATS General Batha attended services in the church from 1922 to 1948.

William Cozet was the bell-ringer and organ blower for 40 years, until the Admiral laid on electricity in 1918 and an electric organ blower was installed. For many years Mrs Sadler, wife of the headmaster of the Arsenal Road School was the organist, until she died in July 1924, when Mr Ted Shaw took her place.

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Editorial

Tension mounts as we await finality on the issue of tax on property. Perhaps our Ward Councillor will have all the budget details as promised, in the July issue of Shoektown Calling.

Meantime our Unicity council is in confusion; what with musical chairs and imminent floor-crossing among our representatives, muddled by sleaze and unseemly behaviour among higher echelons. Can it get worse? And how can we, the ratepayers, be adequately served amidst such confusion and pursuit of self-interest?

Some of us will remember the good old days in Johannesburg, when the city was run by the Ratepayers Association. Perhaps it would be a good idea, and in the interest of

ratepayers, if political parties were banned from local Government; and furthermore, that proportional representation be discontinued - a convention that accommodates political pals and party hacks.

Finally, in this issue we have the second episode on the good old days of fishing in False Bay, compiled by Brian James. There will be eight episodes in all. By the way, I'm still searching for an account of going to school in Simon's Town during the 'forties.

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Editor

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Down the Historical Mile

The June meeting of SLAP had hardly got started when a big flock of hadedas passed overhead with the usual loud honking. Immigrants! exclaimed Clara Fijnbosch. Immigrants, that's what they are! When I was a child these noisy birds weren't around.

That's true, said Harold Hardekop. They have invaded our sensitive environment and they have the cheek to shout about it as well - so what is Nature Conservation doing about these aliens?

Well, I can tell you these comments started a heated discussion, some for and some against. Indeed, the chairman had to intervene - stop, stop, let's work this thing out: how did the hadedas come here in the first place? I know, said Stoffel Boesman, it happened like this:



There was a terrible drought in the Transvaal, and birds were having a tough time to survive. So in desperation the Hadedas Management Council sent out scouting parties in all directions to find new feeding grounds. Well, only one party returned with good news, and that was the party that reached False Bay; the report was that they had discovered a moer of a big dam with plenty of creepy-crawlies to eat. As we all know, these birds favour dam sites. So, the Council decided, they better colonise this big dam - and that's how we came to have these

immigrant birds.

Schultz was not impressed, and fixed a heavy stare on Stoffel while fingering his Lüger. Things looked like getting a bit rough, but fortunately Wingnut Williams rescued the situation with a change of subject: speaking about birds, I want to know why do our guinea fowls flock in winter (our wet season), which is the reverse of what happens north of the Hex River. Wingnut Williams reported further that he had discussed this problem with the Dok, who had explained that in the summer rainfall area the Guinea fowl flocked at the beginning of the dry season (or winter) and then paired off to breed at the beginning of the rains, when there would be plenty of food around. So it is a question of food supply.

Here in the Western Province the birds follow the same calendar, although our wet season is in winter when food supply is at its best. Ag! it's all deurmekaar, exclaimed Schultz. Why do we bother ourselves with

such silly things, when we should be worrying about where to sleep on a cold winter's night? Because of the Lüger, everyone agreed.

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Simon's Town Business Association

The Business Association met early due to the Public Holiday on June 17. As a result attendance was lower than usual as a few members were unable to attend. Those present thoroughly enjoyed the ambience of the newly opened Rawlin Function Room upstairs at Café Pasado.

Most of the discussion centred around the ongoing need to generate funds to pay our Community Policing. His salary is paid solely by contribution from businesses and some individuals. At the future of the Community Policing Board is under discussion as you little aware it has been derelict from its mandate, provision needs to be made to ensure that the Business Association will be able to provide the necessary salary package. Because he is a police reservist, Donovan works closely with the overworked and understaffed SAP. It was agreed that this provision is vital to the C&D of Simon's Town. All businesses or anyone who has benefited by having Donovan around are urged to make their contributions to our Treasurer, Hester Fourie. We cannot afford to lose him!

As part of their contribution, the Business Association has organised an African Evening at the Naval Club on Friday 26 July. The SA Brass Band will perform with the African Children's Choir. All those who attended the open day at the newly renovated premises of the African Children's Choir, and who heard them perform with the Navy Band at Jubilee Square, will agree that this will be an evening worth attending. "African" foods will be served and the dress will be "African" or casual. Tickets are R100.00 if you are thinking of putting together a party, contact Malinda at 021 551 5515 or at 794 5775. Local businesses will be displaying their products as well.

The need to recruit our youth is becoming more and more important with the obvious disappearing of generations that central

government. Various options being considered include the formation of a Section 21 Company, amalgamation with the Publicity Association, and the formation of a Business Improvement District. The evolution of Simon's Town as a tourist destination is vital to the visibility of businesses. At the same time the needs to be balanced by the needs of local residents.

All businesses are urged to use the opportunity offered to them to advertise on our website www.simonstown.com. This is jointly owned by the Business Association, the Publicity Association and the Simon's Town Museum. As the hit rate on the site is very high, this is an ideal opportunity to reach a wide and diverse client base at very little cost. The Business Association is keen to appoint someone to permanently maintain this page on the website.

The ongoing success of the jolly Panto was brought up and the reinvigoration of the Broadway Club. Elizabeth Clive Ryan of Café Pasado kindly provided refreshments and Crystal Young also of Café Pasado, stepped in at the eleventh hour and did a fantastic job of the minutes and circulated them to record book.

The next meeting will be held at the same venue on Monday 22 July.

Patricia Jaggs

Friends of Simon's Town Library

We wish to thank all those who have so kindly and generously donated books to us for our book sales to raise funds for the use of the Library. Our appreciation is heartfelt! However, as these sales are ongoing, please bear us in mind when you are tidying a spring clean of your book shelves. Again, we thank in advance.

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Simon's Town Civic Association

Please Diarise This! Our Annual General Meeting will be in the town hall at **7pm on Wednesday, July 24**. Try to be there. Agenda in next newsletter. Bring committee nominations.

The long-running political circus in Cape Town makes it virtually impossible to offer any projections of good municipal news. It clearly will be some time, probably months, before any policy emerges, for the insecurity among municipal staff to settle, and before we can see where we are being taken.

On this date the "crossing of the floor" is in process to enable politicians who have reneged on one party to join another. This also happens to be the deadline for objections to the city council against the *policy* behind the new property evaluation and rating system.

The STCA has objected on behalf of our

community "to the principle of the new valuation and rating system and the arbitrary manner in which it was applied."

Chairperson Mrs Fran Freeman wrote to city manager Mr Robert Maydon: "We instead firmly believe in the principle of paying rates in return for services, plus reasonable costs of local administration, plus a reasonable levy to improve the lot of disadvantaged people."

Citing the severe decline in municipal services, the rise in crime, the bumbled property evaluation process, the city council's wastage of money and other failings, she wrote: "We recommend that this year all rates, throughout the city, be raised by, say, 15% on the basis of existing valuations, and that the introduction of new valuations be deferred for a year for full re-assessment and adjustment"

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Property owners have until June 28 to lodge objections against valuations, as the final decision policy.

One important aspect many people have overlooked is that charges for sanitation and refuse removal are no longer included in rates. You have to pay extra and the costs will be high - for example, pump is so high the total with rates and the new electricity fees could be almost double what they paid before. Sanitation fees, for some municipalities, will be geared to 70% of your water usage.

Our Ward Councillor, Aid Nick Holderness, told the STCA committee some DA predictions if the ANCMNP coalition takes over Cape Town are that we will have an executive mayor, sub-municipal borders will be changed, provincial council membership will be reduced by ANCMNP councilors, and many top city management contracts will be cancelled at a cost of up to R35 million.

Other news

The developer's option on the old Marine Oil refinery has expired and it is back in the owners' hands. There is no news yet of what will happen to it.

The developer of the Glencairn shopping centre reportedly plans to expand it and enclose part of existing open area.

The Simon's Town Environmental Advisory Committee, on behalf of seven local bodies including the STCA, has raised a number of worrying issues with the city council.

Pointing out that the Boulders penguin park gets some half million visitors a year and Camp Poort about 900,000, they pleaded urgently for more refuse bins and cleaning at these places and along the main routes, and for better maintenance of the town's roads and other infrastructure. Visitors' litter, they pointed out, makes a

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bad impression on visitors.

The city replied that it would consider placing more bins at Seaforth/Boulders. Additional bins, it warned, "tend to attract refuse that may otherwise have been transported out of the area and it is suggested that persons guilty of littering cannot justify their action by the lack of bins".

We leave you to work that one out yourself. No prizes.

Infrastructure upgrading, the city said, was limited by lack of money. For beach cleaning, the city has this: one man from Fisherman's Toilet to Admiralty House, one for Jubilee Square and the surrounding area, two between the IMT wall to the Water's Edge exit including Seaforth's parking, and one for Boulders to Fisherman's Beach. Grand total: 5.

Someone was bitten by a dog running free on **Glencairn beach** - a reminder that legally dogs should be walked on leashes, though some folk have tended to turn a blind eye provided the mutts are well behaved. Run your dog leashless at your own risk: the Law will be watching. But please, law or not, use a poop scoop or a plastic bag to remove their landmines, which generally are worse than getting bitten.

The burning of typha reeds at **Glencairn vlei** we warned about has been done and improvement of this wetland asset continues. If anyone is looking for a good way to mark the passing of a friend or relative, a **memorial bench** with plaque at the vlei will cost R1200.

The articles of association and memorandum of agreement for the **Simon's Town Company**, the much-discussed Section 21 company, have gone to the STCA, Publicity Association, Business Association, Community Police Forum and Environmental Advisory Committee for them to sign up five ordinary members and appoint one board member each.

Upcoming events:

Dr Graham Avery will speak on "Five mil-

lion years of human and environmental change in the Western Cape" at the Simon's Town Museum at 19.30 on June 25.

Footnote:

Some members may have seen various statements about the Section 21 company and criticism of the STCA in recent issues of "Snoektown Calling". In case anyone should think the STCA overlooked them, the Chairperson sent a letter to the magazine, which it refused to publish.

Editor's note: The letter from Fran Freeman, Chairperson of STCA, will not be published because certain parts verge on the edge of defamation which could constitute grounds for legal action, a process which could be disruptive in our community.

Ward Councillor's Report

The budget for 2002-2003 for the City of Cape Town has been developed in exceptionally difficult circumstances. These include the introduction of a new valuation roll and a new rating policy. It must also be noted that the City has, in the process of collating financial information on the 7 previous administrations, discovered very serious problems. These are confirmed by the Auditor-General who has released a qualified audit report for the old City of Cape Town for 1997-98 which reveals a near bankrupt administration. In fact, in December 2001 we had a budget of R600m unbalanced.

Other complications are the level of inherited debt, dating back for years in some cases; cavalier spending on capital projects by former administrations; and the difficult issues of unfunded mandates. An example of the latter is the Library service. In terms of constitutional obligations Province is responsible for this essential service. However, Province "forgot" about this and so "forgot" to budget for it!

Council is also subject to a central bargaining process for salary and wage increases with increasing uncertainty of outcome mak-



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ing budgeting for such 'expenses' very difficult.

The budget also had to address issues such as poverty relief, facilitate economic and social development and be financially prudent. At this stage a most painful and unpleasant background of political uncertainty and turmoil.

The valuation job which has been completed replaces the 65 different rolls all with a single rate base rates which were in existence. The process for residential properties was the CAMA by computer aided mass appraisal system. It appears to me that the process in relation to the smallmouth or Silvermine has revealed many errors and anomalies in the process. Why and how I do not know. However I have forged an objection to the process together with the many others who have done so. If you have any concerns regarding your valuation please send your form in by 28 June.

We are now locked into a statutory process which means that all objections must be

referred to the valuation boards which finally have to be decided. Only these boards can review the valuation set. Council's. However, committed to assisting those ratepayers struggling financially and will invite such persons to meet with relevant officials to make necessary arrangements. The process for doing so will be published.

Council also established a multi-party working group to develop rating policy which includes those matters as required for the equity and the discounts and exemptions for places of worship, sporting facilities and water charges.

Crucial to the process was the assessment of tariffs for services and other charges, which also mean the "basket" charges for a household can have considerable impact. Again statutory requirements such as equity across the city have influenced the distribution of these charges.

The budget tabled for 2002/2003 reflected a capital budget of R1218,342,316 and an operating budget of 147,340,180,890.

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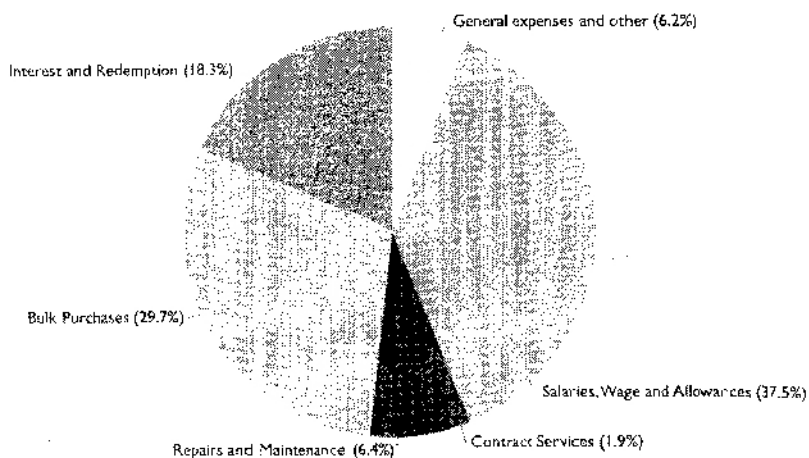
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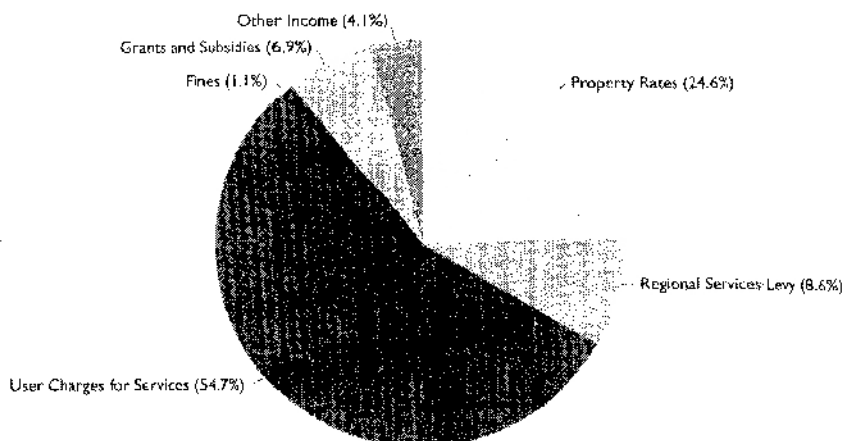
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OPERATING BUDGET - Subjective Analysis

Analysis of Operating Expenditure

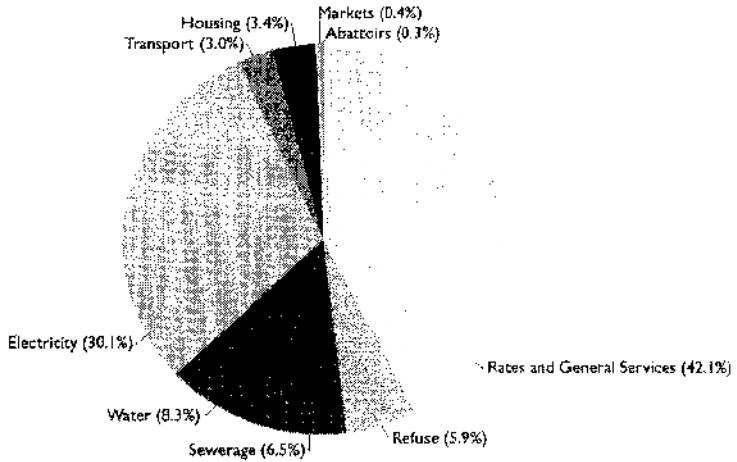


Analysis of Operating Income

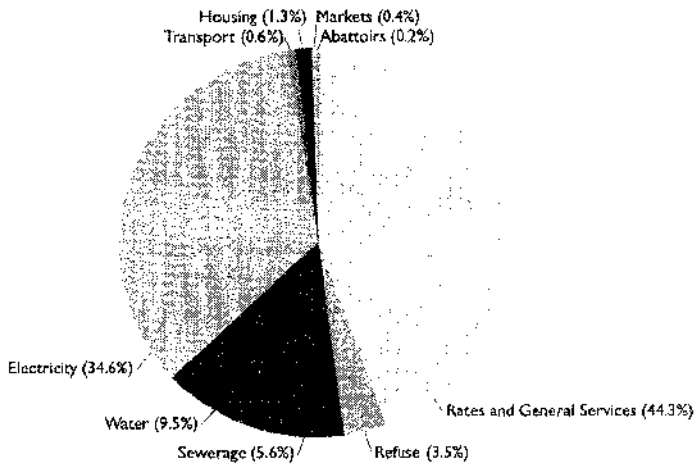


OPERATING BUDGET - Service Analysis

Services: Expenditure



Services: Income



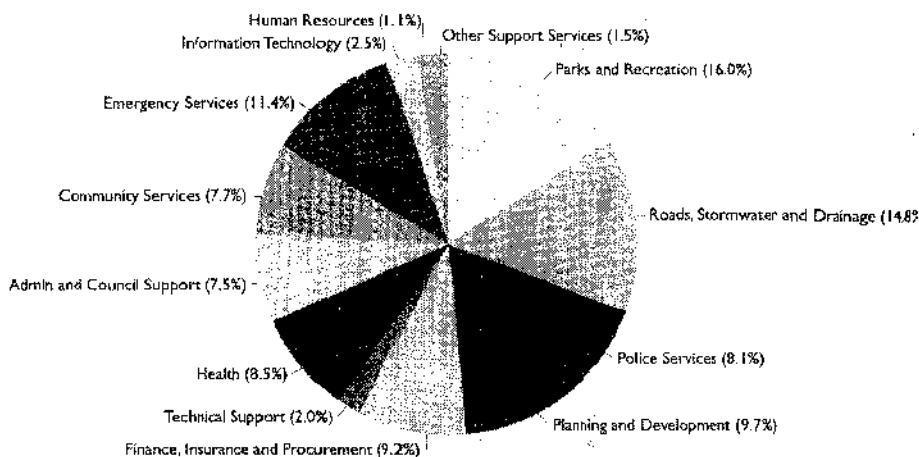
Further cuts in the budget will have to be made, particularly in the light of more concessions to needy ratepayers.

I and other councillors for the South Peninsula subcouncil have initiated investigations

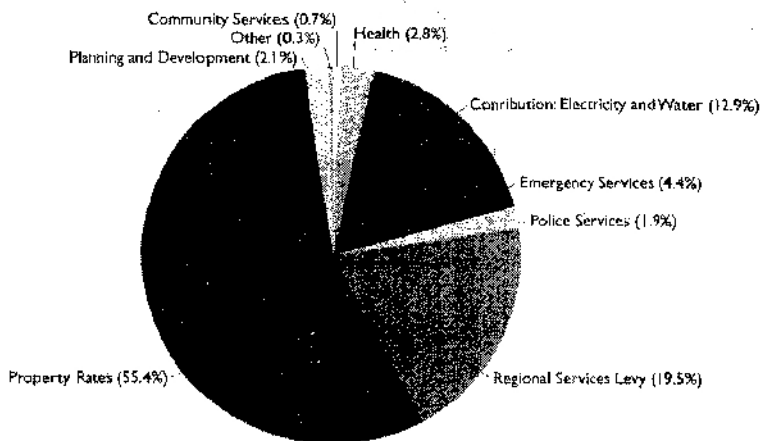
into whether our area is getting its fair share of certain critical services such as traffic management, cleansing and road maintenance. We believe that there are deficiencies which must be addressed as a matter of urgency despite the budgetary con-

OPERATING BUDGET - Rates and General Analysis

Rates and General Services: Expenditure



Rates and General Services: Income



tightening as part of the South Peninsula Municipality and the concerns and issues of our area must not be ignored. Council must also commit to an urgent investigation of other sources of income which do not overload the residents of the City. It is therefore worrying that Central Govern-

tion is a source of infinite income to local authorities.

Nicki Holderness
Ward Councillor Ward 69
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Ocean View; Kommetjie;
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Memories of Happy Days - 5

In a city known for its splendid buildings, Adderley Street had its fair share: the Post Office and the Standard Bank were imposing both within and without; loft marble pillars stood at the head of grand steps leading up from the pavement. The flower sellers gathered on these steps each day, adding a nice touch of colour, both local and actual. Then there was the Fletcher and Cartwright building ("meet you at Cartwright's corner, dear"), which boasted a really posh restaurant: crimson velvet, gilt and sparkling mirrors. You dressed up to the nines to lunch or dine at Cartwright's, or even just to enjoy a mid-morning ice-cream - the finest in the Cape, made with real cream, embellished with fresh strawberries.

At the bottom of Adderley Street was - apart from the Pier - a Luna Park, with coconut

shies, shooting galleries, side shows and of course the Big Wheel and the merry-go-round. I won an elegant chocolate box at a shooting gallery (well, Dad actually shot the bull's eye). It was covered in green plush, with mirrors on two sides; Auntie Nellie said it was too grown-up for a child - but she let me keep the chocolates.

One day the manager of Luna Park arrived at Ma's place, foaming at the mouth. Her dog, he said, was stealing rides on his merry-go-round. (Problem was really Uncle Ben's pet, a young Alsatian addicted to eating caramels and cigarette ends). So Ma bought a roll of tickets and hired a chamber maid's son to accompany Problem down to Luna Park every weekday, paying for their rides from the roll of tickets.

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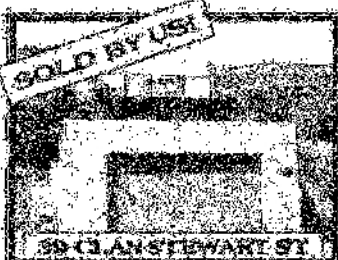
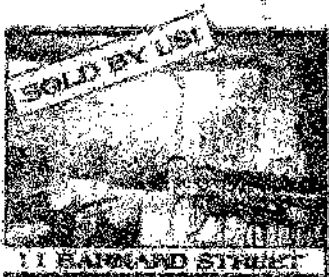
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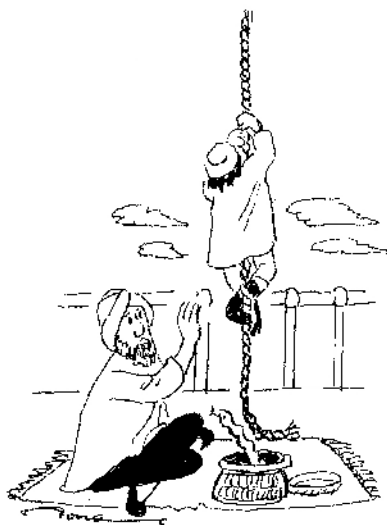


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was the ramsaami on the Esplanade. This elderly man, sitting cross-legged on a mat, was equipped with a small boy and a snake in a covered basket. I was told that the ramsaami would fling a rope up into the air, the boy would climb it - and disappear. I didn't believe a word of this: grown-ups liked to pull children's legs.

I did see the ramsaami take the lid off the basket, intone "thees snak' come from Hindia, Hindia cobra snak'" and then play a 3-note tune on a flute. The snake rose up, swaying from side to side. I knew very little about snakes, but thought it was rather small to be a cobra. Ramsaami also did a trick with an egg. He put the egg into a tatty little bag, siapped the bag vigorously and showed it to be empty. Then, with incantations and waving of hands, he produced the egg from his mouth - or so it seemed. It was rather revolting - Ma would have said it Wasn't Nice, and she was too busy to waste



time loitering on the Esplanade, looking at snakes and eggs and goodness knows what else. Esplanades, Ma said, were meant for brisk, invigorating walks.



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Raging Storm Kills Many Penguin Chicks

Conservationists are counting the "penguin cost" of last month's life threatening storm, with waves reaching up to 11 metres and winds of over 120km/h. The gale which hit the South Western Cape, wreaked havoc among the thriving but vulnerable colony of African penguins at The Boulders, one of the leading tourist attractions of the Cape Peninsula National Park (CPNP).

Quinton Vaughn, CPNP manager at the Boulders, says the penguins nesting on Foxy Beach were unable to evade the storm which raged from Thursday to Saturday, 23 to 25 May. While roofs were blown off houses, buildings were flooded and large chunks of beachfront roads were washed away, penguins burrows were inundated, eggs were washed into the sea and chicks were drowned or simply died from exposure.

By Saturday, when the worst of the storms had passed, life among the penguins at the Boulders returned to normal but heaps of kelp and a scattering of dead chicks and abandoned eggs testified to the intensity of the storm. A total of 39 dead chicks and one dead adult were found on Foxy Beach. Later five more dead chicks were found.

The world famous penguin colony at Boulders, nestled in a sheltered cove between Simon's Town and Cape Point is said to be the only location where African penguins breed on an open beach so close to the sea.

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viewed from Foxy Beach, where newly constructed boardwalks take visitors within a few metres of the birds," he says.

"While Foxy Beach penguins were hard hit by the storm, the eggs and offspring of the majority of the Boulders penguins survived the onslaught of the elements," says Vaughn.

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Follow Ups

Car Theft: As per our report last month, it has now been proved that the success in breaking the car theft ring in Glencairn has resulted in a dramatic reduction of this specific crime in the area.

Vagrancy: An ongoing problem in our area. The suggestion to use the residents of Happy Valley as car guards in Jubilee Square has been approved and will shortly commence a 30 day trial run.

The suggestion that Simon's Town find premises for a further 27 homeless people who cannot be accommodated at Happy Valley as they refuse to abandon their drinking habits was opposed by the SMTPE. In an effort to find a solution to the problem of these people living on the streets and their objectionable behaviour it was proposed that a meeting be arranged between the

Business Association, the Police Forum and the SMT Civic Association. A further report will follow after this meeting.

Old Municipal Offices

The meeting to determine use of the old offices was abandoned but the Police Forum's requirements were given to Cllr Holderness and at present the forum is awaiting a response to its request for permanent offices.

Public Awareness

The proposal which was put forward to the meeting for consideration whereby Simon's Town was divided into 22 areas, each of which would host a meeting between residents and the SAP has been approved in principle. These meetings will take place at a private home in each area, in a relaxed atmosphere and residents would be at liberty to ask whatever questions they wished



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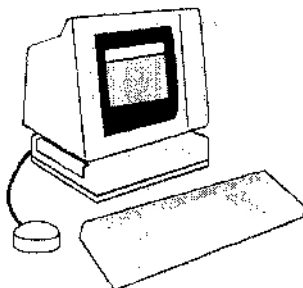
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and learn more about their police force and the work being done behind the scenes. The meetings will take place in the early evenings at approximately 6:30pm to 7:30pm and refreshments will be served. (Any kind person who can assist please contact Heather Lunderstedt 786-5794 a/h - we are looking for venues and assistance with catering in each area.) A list of times, dates and areas will be published in the next issue of Snoektown Calling.

The poster campaign was also tabled and is well under way. Logistics now have to be completed prior to this aspect being implemented. Any assistance with respect to printing or distribution would be most welcome.

Heather Lunderstedt

From the Bosun's Chair

Birds, birds and more birds.

No, I don't mean the trim well dressed female variety seen in our main road and shops of Simon's Town, but the feathered ones which seem to be increasing in our area.

For many years we have seen and heard the Hadedah, family of the Ibis (*Bostrychia hagedash*) in and around Knysna and further up the coast in the wetlands of the Kowie river in Port Alfred.

Their loud cry (AAAK AAAK AAAIAAAH) is now heard in Simon's Town and have been for not more than three years. They daily fly over the Yacht Club in the mornings heading south and return in late afternoon flying fairly high but with their very loud cry can be easily spotted.



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Another visitor who was only noticed last year in September for the first time, is a small all white Tern. These arrived in their hundreds and took up residence on the long floating breakwater in the Yacht Club's marina. Their high pitched call could be heard from a great distance. I have not been able to identify them in our Encyclopedia of Birds but I am hoping that they will return again this year, so if there are any Ornithologists out there please come and let us know where they come from.

Our resident Kelp Gull is well settled in our area, they regularly nest on some of the little used craft in the anchorage and woe betide the person who inadvertently goes near the nesting area.

The first thing that one becomes aware of is a screaming dive-bomber coming down at you with beak agape, landing gear down, and unless one ducks you will suffer a pain-

ful peck on the head. These are large birds, perhaps the size of a large rooster and are most impressive with their 1 metre plus wingspan in full attack mode.

Then we have another recent resident of not more than three years here, the Egyptian goose. These also nest on some of the outlying boats and having watched the whole process of nestbuilding and egg-laying process each season for two years now, I have found the average to be eleven eggs. Only one day after the last gosling has hatched, mother goose pushes the whole brood overboard and they swim ashore and take up residence on Admiralty beach.

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Spring Excitement Coming To False Bay

The annual **Baysider.com False Bay Spring Regatta** will be taking place from 21 to 24 September 2002. This has become the largest regatta on False Bay and the organisers are planning to create a festival of fun and excitement around the event.

The **Baysider.com False Bay Spring Regatta** is being organised by False Bay Yacht Club and the Defence Yacht Club. The event will also incorporate the Whale Festival, which is currently being planned, and the Fish Hoek Health Week, the Marine Coastal Management Marine Day, and the Loop de Loop Cycle Race. The Peninsula Tourism Board, the Simon's Town and Fish Hoek Publicity Associations and the SA Navy are all helping to make this the biggest event the Peninsula has ever seen.

More than 100 keelboats, many visiting from other yacht clubs, all over the country, and 150 smaller catamarans, and dinghies are

expected to participate in the yacht racing over the four days. Races will be staged as close to the shore as possible so that spectators can enjoy the thrills from the many vantage points, restaurants and walkways on the Peninsula coastline all the way from Muizenberg to Simon's Town.

The False Bay Yacht Club will be opening its doors to the public where family, friends and the general public will be welcomed and encouraged to join in the fun and entertainment. The organisers are going out of their way to create a festival atmosphere and are putting in place plans to attract live musicians, buskers, jugglers, bands etc to make it a fun event for all.

Just some of the many attractions being planned in addition to the sailing include cruises on spectator craft where the public can enjoy watching races from the decks of specially arranged boats. There will be food

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The annual Baysider.com Spring Loop de Loop race will see 1200 cyclists taking part in the opening cycle race of the season. This will start and finish at the False Bay Yacht Club, enabling cyclists and their families to participate in the fun.

Apart from all the festivities we will also be running an exhibition for suppliers to the boating, yachting, fishing and cycling world. All the participants and the public will pass through the marquee, where the show is to be staged, to get on the club property for the yacht racing and other activities, thus providing a brilliant target market audience. The booths will be 3m x 3m and will come complete with shell scheme, carpeting, company name and lighting at a very reasonable price.

Commander Mac Bisset's Key Role in Developing the SA Naval Museum

Commander WM (Mac) Bisset retires as Officer-in-Charge of the SA Naval Museum in June 2002 after 40 years of military service, leaving a legacy of which he and the Navy can be justly proud.

Situated in the historic West Dockyard at Simon's Town, and adjoining St George's Dockyard Church, the museum has since 1992 occupied a relic of the days of sail - the Mast House.

Originally, items of naval interest were displayed at the Castle, Cape Town, where Cdr Bisset was, from 1975 to 1986, the staff officer responsible for WP Command's military and maritime museums, and for guided tours of the Castle and also of the historic Martello Tower at Simon's Town.



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For short periods, he also acted as Staff Officer Military Museums, Eastern Province Command in Port Elizabeth, and assisted the Director of Military Museums at Fort Klapperkop in Pretoria.

Both museums at the Castle were dismantled in 1986, during restoration work. When the Maritime Museum was demolished, most of the Navy's ship model collection was moved to the tiny Martello Tower, near Seaforth.

Cdr Bisset then became responsible for planning the Museum of Coast and Anti-Aircraft Artillery at Fort Wynyard, Granger Bay. While there he assisted with Delville Wood Museum displays in France, in 1991.

Educated at Diocesan College, Rondebosch (Bishops) and the University of Cape Town, Cdr Bisset started his military career as an artilleryman.

He did his national service as a clerk in 10 Anti-Aircraft Battery at Youngsfield and later served in the UCT Regiment - a heavy A/A artillery unit, now the Cape Garrison Artillery - before joining the Permanent Force in 1975.

Red tape relating to new buildings, and the enormous cost involved made it impossible for the Directorate of Military Museums to proceed with plans for a new naval museum at Ford Wynyard, and after the transfer of the museum to the Navy in 1987 the Naval Board decided it should be in Simon's Town.

The old Mast House proposed - and approved

The Board further decided that an existing structure in Simon's Town should be used for this purpose, and after two vacant buildings had been considered but found unsuitable a proposal by Commodore NR Guy,

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that the old Mast House be used, was approved.

Mindful, at the time, of the danger that countless Naval Trophies might be given away to the ships' companies of disbanded shore establishments, Cdr Bisset asked Naval Headquarters to make a signal requesting that such trophies be donated to the SA Naval Museum instead.

In most cases this proposal was warmly welcomed, and many important naval relics, documents and photographs were saved. Commodore P Fougstedt arranged for Cdr Bisset to visit disbanded shore establishments in Naval Command East to ensure that nothing of importance was lost.

Meanwhile Fort Wynyard was handed over to the SA Army, and the Martello Tower was closed in May 1992. Personnel and naval exhibits at both museums were transferred to the new Naval Museum in the West Dockyard.

Cdr Bisset and his small staff then took on the immense task of moving and assembling naval exhibits and artefacts for display to the public, at the new museum. Despite personnel losses the SAN Museum fortunately survived the 1990 retrenchments.

Much valuable help, support and encouragement was received from Rear-Admiral RC Simpson-Anderson, then Chief of Naval Support. He later became Chief of the Navy with the rank of Vice-Admiral.

Commodore (later R Adm) EP Groenewald, chairman of what came to be known as Project Oubos, and the project officer, Mr JG Hanson of SA Naval Works, also made substantial contributions.

Cdr Bisset moved to the Mast House on July 1, 1992, and the first phase of the SA Naval Museum, in the former Sail Loft, was formally opened on April 1, 1993, by V-Adm

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Simpson-Anderson, after a service in the Dockyard Church.

Many hurdles had been surmounted, but many more remained.

Each of the SA Navy's flotillas made a significant contribution to the new museum. SAS Hugo Biermann rebuilt the wooden submarine operations room and control centre mock-up that the base has used when the SAN's submarines were modernised.

SAS Chapman built a Ton-class mine-sweeper's bridge, and donated mines and other important relics, and SAS Scorpion provided a missile box and a number of other items.

The riggers who were faced with the daunting task of moving guns, mines, compression chambers and many heavy weapons over the West Dockyard Wall or into the building received high praise for their efforts.

The Naval Heritage Trust, established in July 1994 under the chairmanship of Vice-Admiral LJ Woodburne, and the Naval Heritage Society chaired by Mr Charles Bates provided valuable help and support at a difficult time.

A great team effort

The SA Naval Museum, as it is today, reflects the input of a large number of enthusiasts in and outside the SA Navy.

Special mention has been made of Lt Dianne Shackleton (1995/97) who introduced a number of important innovations including a working radar, a special Kids Tour Guide, a working teleprinter and morse key, a flashing signalling light, preparatory work on the new gunnery display and audiovisual programmes.

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"The challenges are immense, but the need for the Navy and the general public to be reminded of our Navy's splendid fighting tradition, and the achievements of our sailor heroes, is as great as ever."

Situated where it is, within a dockyard that resonates naval history, the SA Naval Museum is still expanding its facilities and looking to the future.

While it reflects the close team-work and support that have brought it to where it is today, it stands mainly as a tribute to the officer whose dedication and foresight have made it the unique and instructive amenity it has become.

Commander Bisset is widely known not only for his profound knowledge of naval and military history; he is also known for his

helpfulness, for his friendliness and for his unfailing courtesy. His act will be a hard one to follow.

Go well, Mac Bisset!

Roger Williams

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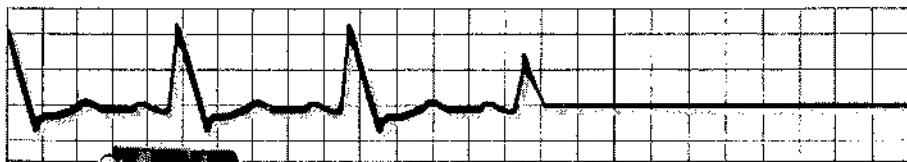
Beach & Coastal Report

JULY 2002

IMT: Although too late to report right now, the Institute for Maritime Technology (an Armscor facility) has scheduled a presentation for 26th June on the Simon's Bay water quality and associated physical processes. To welcome guests will be R Adm J E Louw and the list of proposed speakers is impressive. This important meeting will be summarized in the August edition.

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addresses, senior management is very difficult to contact. SPA Amenities somehow managed to get hold of a Mr Fourie, to report a long section of collapsed barbed-wire fencing below Glencairn Station which was a trip hazard. Kindly acting as an intermediary on our behalf, Intersite has also reported the station's badly eroded access. Now that Marine Oil no longer operates from Mack-erel Bay, perhaps Spoornet should clean up and remove its siding. After all, this spectacular beach and the trek-fishermen are major tourist attractions.

CPNP: As most of us know, the Cape Peninsula National Park should have a Visitors Centre at its Boulders facility open by the end of October. Not so well known is its recognition of 20 hard workers from disadvantaged backgrounds, who removed much flotsam and jetsam washed ashore after a storm in a cleanup project with Coast Care. Incidentally, almost all of it was plastic rubbish! These workers have been given "Go

Green" cards, which will allow them free access for a year. So far, over eight tons of pollution have been removed from about 30% of the Cape of Good Hope's coastline.

Other news from CPNP is that of funds raised by the Boulders Volunteer Group, R2000,00 was donated towards the provision of equipment for their law enforcement staff. This will enable them to maintain observation points and operate for extended periods at night. Furthermore, six new Field Rangers have been appointed to assist with law enforcement, as well as conservation activities - like managing pathways and clearing alien vegetation. An interesting snippet of news is that during the recent storms, an almost five metre Sperm Whale calf was washed up dead at Gifkommetjie in the reserve. Samples were collected and then sent to the SA Museum for study.

SPA: When the South Peninsula Administration receive complaints in writing, they



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often react surprisingly fast. All of the previously reported minor problems have now been resolved: Roads & Drainage will shortly repair paving on the Glen Road bridge and at the Glencairn beach-subway. There is no urgency to repair the wave-damaged sections of beach catwalk, so this will be done by Amenities during the new financial year. It is the same with a dusty and perhaps underutilized extension to the beach-front parking area. Roads & Drainage together with Parks & Recreation will shortly evaluate the situation. Many local residents would like to see it vegetated rather than graveled or tarred, but this might hinder Spoonnet's maintenance vehicles.

With regard to the burning of dead material at Glencairn Vlei, it eradicated a fire risk and reduced undesirable nutrients in the system. Vigorous new growth of the reed-bed will provide a far superior habitat than the senescent one, thereby encouraging more diversity. On a broader scale, the existing, mature stands of reeds upstream, in conjunction with the Vlei's newly sprouting ones enhances diversity of habitat in this valley.

CONCLUSIONS:

Since the prevailing wind during winter is mostly off-shore, perhaps the source of so much plastic pollution as experienced by CPNP should be traced. With the exception of Mackerel Bay and Miller's Point, our beach infrastructure is in fairly good order. Unfortunately, the latter needs urgent attention, so its delayed hand-over to CPNP is of concern.

Bevan Pank, Science Writer

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Neighbourhood Watch News

Vagrancy in the Simon's Town Area

The NW meeting this month was privileged to host Virginia Petersen as our guest speaker to address us on vagrancy with special emphasis on the homeless people who have lived in and around Simonstown for many years.

Ms Petersen is the Head of Dept for Social Welfare in the Western Cape Provincial Administration.

The State is always looking for collective solutions to problems and hence the Dept's interest in working with the people towards a solution for the homeless. Several issues were raised.

1) Day strollers who are a particular problem in the Glencairn and Glencairn Heights areas. These people come mainly from Site 5 and wander around the suburbs begging, searching the waste bins/bags and asking for work. They walk over the hill from Site 5 and have made a regular path through Glencairn Heights. The defecation problem increases as does the litter and the worry of consequent theft.

This issue needs to be dealt with on its own. Only when Site 5 provides a living for the residents will they remain there and stop looking elsewhere for an income.

2) Shelter people are those who make use of Happy Valley Home and abide by the rules of that Home. There are 60 inmates of whom only about 5 are from Simonstown. This Home is subsidised by the State and is now full. The children are given Montessori schooling at the Home and some of the inmates are eventually re-united with their families. This is a most successful venture.

3) Homeless people number 27 in Simonstown who live as a community which is their family and security. Separating them is therefore not an option. These are the "non-shelter people" who are the most difficult to

manage. They are encouraged to continue drinking by some of the bottle stores who want the business and even use the homeless to protect their premises at night and then chase them away during the day paying them with drink for their services.

These people are permanently in Simons-town and have not increased in numbers over the last years. There is an increase in the number of people coming into the town in the hope of finding work as they see the dockyard as a promising source of revenue. So what can be done to find a positive solution for the homeless who are a high profile group seen as a nuisance as their social behaviour leaves a lot to be desired?

In summary Ms Petersen proposed that the Dept of Welfare with Happy Valley Home and the Civic Association with any other State body which may be needed to co-ordinate the final solution meet with the homeless group at Happy Valley Home and ask them what they really need. We should remember that it is not only their material needs but their social needs that are vital to coming to any lasting agreement.

Once we know what their key issues are we need to reinforce the positive aspects and make them responsible for their negative behaviour. Their need for shelter during the winter months brings them to the Home but they need a place of their own which does not intrude on the Home as it is not geared to cope with this special group.

Concluding the discussion Alma Hunter who leads the care group for the street children from Muizenberg to Fish Hoek, stressed the need for a joint co-ordinated approach of all the NGO's working with the homeless as too many of such groups were not persistent in their efforts and often needed the support available from larger bodies.

Manu Choudree of Valley of Hope People's Forum asked the meeting to wait for the report from his Working Group before this question is tackled as much of the work

they have done has a bearing on the homeless problem. It tackles the key problem of fragmented effort in working with the vagrants and the homeless and attempts to unite all the groups with this interest focussing on a new approach to the problem.

It was decided that Cindy Dollery of Happy Valley Home would call the homeless group together with such NGO's as are required so that when a decision is agreed upon all parties are aware of and can contribute to the solution.

At the Police Forum Exco meeting two days after this NW meeting it was recommended that the Business Association (Mr. Peter Johnson), Fran Freeman of the Civic Association as well as NW chairman, the SA Navy, SAPS, Military Police and Police Forum be represented at this meeting which will be chaired by the Social Services Dept.

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Private consultation

Property Watch No 40

Matters currently being dealt with by the South Peninsula Administration are:

1.1 Erf No 60 Simon's Town (Glencairn): Land use departure application on behalf of Waldorf Schools. No change from Report No 39.

1.2 Erf No 2298 Simon's Town (Boulders Beach Guest House): Application to rezone from General Residential to Business. Further information requested from SPA. State of application unclear.

1.3 Erf No 1180 Simon's Town (1st Queens Road): Application for Land use departure to convert Residential House to Medical Practice. No change from Report No 39.

1.4 Erf No 4495, Cairnside: Application to subdivide into portions. No change from Report No 39.

1.5 Erf No 625, Simon's Town (Military Road, Bayview): Application to subdivide

into two portions without formal road access to one erf. No change from Report No 39.

1.6 Erf No 2212 Glencairn Heights: Application for Bed & Breakfast establishment. No change from Report No 39.

1.7 Erf No 2464 Forest Hill: Application for subdivision into two parts. No change from Report No 39.

1.8 Erf No 4403 Simon's Town (88 Debiés Drive): Application for departure from single residential to convert existing accommodation for self catering letting and to reduce the building line from 4.5m to 10m. Now being finalised. No change from Report No 39.

1.9 Erf No 1400 Simon's Town (Kleinburg Road): Application for temporary land use departure in terms of Section 15 of Ordinance No 15 of 1985 to allow portions of premises to be used as a sales outlet for



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1.10 **Erf No. 4043** (Simon's Town): Application for Land Use Departure from single residential to Bed & Breakfast. (Application incomplete).

1.11 **Erf No 3619** Simon's Town (Glencairn Shopping Centre): Application for amendment of site development plan. To enclose area adjacent to Fish Shop to enlarge existing business area. (Application incomplete). No change from Report No 39.

1.12 **Erf No 1239** Simon's Town (Cnr Forest Hill Rd): Application for re-zoning and possible Removal of Restrictions. (Application incomplete). No change from Report No 39.

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 39.

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 39.

2.3 **Consolidated** and Amended Town Planning and Zoning Scheme Regulations for Simon's Town and Fish Hoek. No change from Report No 39.

2.4 **Proposed lease of portions** for public street abutting Erven Nos 1731 and 1734 (Main Road, Murdoch Valley): Extent 378sq.m each. Proposed usage - gardening, security purposes. Lease period 5 years.

2.5 **Development of Marine Simulator** at Simon's Town School: Funds are now available. Permission has been granted by the Dept of Education. Public participation is not a requirement but a public meeting has been held and the development is proceeding.

Eve Leggatt

Getafix is back

The Post Mortem

One of the most important issues that were reinforced during my stay in the UK, was preventative medicine. The old cliché "prevention is better than cure," became even more apparent during my reading of journals and treating of hospitalised patients. It has always been a major part of my practice, but will receive even more attention now.

Too many patients are still dying or suffering from the complications of poorly managed or late diagnosed diabetes; high blood pressure and all types of cancer. In England much of this is due to long waiting lists and appointment schedules in the NHS. In South Africa (despite our gripes of our private healthcare) we have no excuse, except for our lack of interest in our health. Yes, things have improved dramatically when it comes to patient education and attendance for routine medical revue (check-ups), but a lot can still be done. Even for non-medical aid patients the cost is affordable. A simple clinical examination and limited investigations e.g. blood sugar test; ECG; urine test and possibly a blood count and prostate cancer blood test can prevent (or lead to immediate action to prevent) many unhappy outcomes.

Too many people are dying from strokes; complications of high blood pressure and diabetes as well as early detectable cancers (e.g. breast and prostate). Annual routine medical examinations with your GP can lead to speedy detection and action. Your GP knows you and your circumstances more than anyone. The odd visit to your pharmacy nurse to check blood pressure and sugar is a good screening process, but this does not address those "other problems" which need discussing. Your doctor knows which questions to ask which maybe lead to other questions not thought of. A simple blood pressure measurement, often lead to other more pressing problems being addressed as well. The continuity in health practice plays a major role in diag-

nating many preventable conditions (this shown also in a major study published in January 2002 in the UK). Medical aid and help there are also another evil that seems to be raising its head. How can a nurse manage a problem over the telephone after a discussion with a patient they do not know and where there is no eye contact or physical examination? I speak with great pride of the level of care that our patients receive in the private sector in South Africa. The British population is increasingly going the private sector route due to long waiting times in the NHS. We may still have flaws in our system, but we have to improve them and hold on to what we have. Prevention medicine takes up priority in the cascade of care - it makes lessening costs and is extremely cost effective. Compare the price of being admitted for a heart attack to a simple visit to the GP for a routine check (including an ECG and cholesterol check).

Should you require any further specialised treatment, I am proud to say that we have a superior care of specialists in Cape Town (and South Africa). The level of attention and care which patients receive in our private hospitals is always very favourable after my experience in English private hospitals and we really had to be grateful for (and proud of) in our "third world" country.

New Doctor

Coming back, refreshed and with new knowledge and ideas, I would like our patients to please take note of the following information.

My experience in the UK was very interesting (musically and medically). We had the opportunity to have a holiday there (including the children) and earned some good pounds as well. I have no wish to return to the UK as a permanent resident or for such a working situation; after 4000 Rands (over-assured of my undivided attention as it has always been) and assuming that you will not have to adapt to a new face behind my desk again. "Thank you for your loyalty and support during my lapse of absence."

Surgeon's hours

Consultation hours will be 08:00 to 12:30 and to extend to 03:00 pm to 05:00 pm. Arrangements will obviously be made for appointments after or before these times, should it be required. We will close on Thursdays at 1:00 pm as usual and will be open on Saturday mornings. Should the practice be closed on a Saturday for some reason, I may still be contacted on the cell phone and a consultation can be arranged. Telephone calls will be screened by Doreen. All emergency calls will be referred to the immediately, others will be deferred for my attention later.

Wishes - Getafix

Memories of Fishing in the Good Old Days -2

Around early 1950 Dad managed to get through a friend of ours who worked in the Simon's Town Dockyard, a permit to fish off the Bull's Nose. Matherel used to abound in those days and my duty was to catch live rockfish on the inside of its dock and occasionally taken them across the width of the wall in a camp cloth, so as not to kill them in any way, where James senior would hook them carefully through the skin behind the head and with a platoon that would slide up to a swivel on the line keeping the live rockfish perhaps 6-8 feet below the surface. Long casts were not necessary, twenty-five to thirty yards would do the trick. Another face and name I can remember well on the Bull's Nose was what to me was a youngster at the time, was a Senior Officer perhaps my age was pushing sixty was a Mr London, worked a Rimp or Shallop wagon and always used to bring down two very well behaved Andares. There would be the occasional arrival of a very stern and correct English Policeman who would remind us in his understated British "Sir, do you know that the sign that rules for fishing on the fish line" to which Dad would reply that I

was only holding the rod to stop it vanishing over the side whilst he got in the first fish. Yellowtail were all in the twenty five pound range and snoek as well as Geelbek were caught here regularly.

On one day here, with about six anglers fishing, I saw perhaps forty big Yellowtail landed as well as a monster Thresher Shark that had the lucky/unlucky angler up and down that wall for three hours before it was subdued and brought around into the docks where there are concrete steps leading down to the water's edge. Here it was gaffed and all hands tailed on to drag it up to the gantry where it weighed in at over 300lbs.

In 51-52 we "graduated" to Rooi-Krans in the Cape Point Reserve. To you out there who have not fished on the ledges and are older than 30 years forget it, don't bother. The slide down on your rump is one thing but the climb back up to recover some hefty yellowtail will never be forgotten. Picture the scene, ± twenty anglers shoulder to shoulder, casting out perhaps a hundred yards. Seldom did one see a spinner crossing the line of a fellow angler. Majority of the anglers present there would cast over the left shoulder, an outcast was the poor chap who either cast over his right shoulder or cast horizontally either from left or right. He had to go and find his own secluded section of ledge.

Many, many Yellowtail were taken here and in later years the Yellowfin tuna was to make its appearance here although I did not witness this as I was already fishing in glorious comfort from a boat. Even to this day when the weather looks right I can not resist trolling past the Krantz perhaps a hundred yards out, just in case they might be there. The ledges are empty and have been for years, will those days ever return?

At about this time my Father joined the Royal Cape Yacht Club having befriended the Taylor family from Mount Rhodes in Hout Bay. The brothers Sonny, Gerald and Nor-

man owned a 46 foot Gaff Ketch named Elegance. Elegance could carry five sails on her two stout masts, a flying masthead genoa, a staysail, a mainsail, a mizzen staysail and a mizzen. Her accommodation, although I last saw her some forty years ago, was comfortable. From the forepeak one had the anchor chain in its compartment, on either side of this lashed to the topsides were the spare halyards sheets and blocks. On the starboard side was the sail locker where all the headsails and mizzen were stowed. The mainsail stayed on the boom covered with a waterproof cover and secured with gaskets.

I joined Elegance as a cabin boy and my duties were to keep the bilges dry (Elegance was constructed of teak) and a little water in the bilge was healthy. Keep the brasswork shiny (some job) and the decks holystoned and free of birds--t and cinders (some job if any of you knew the Docks with its steam engines and the Southeaster). Varnishing

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and painting were ongoing enjoyable tasks as were the twice-yearly haul outs on the slip for a scrub down and a new coat of antifouling. Every spare day was spent on board including all of the school holidays and one soon learned to fend for oneself. Padda Kuttel whose father owned Atlanta, a 60 foot ketch, Sidney Skuce off George De Leons Sally, George Washington (really) Colin Sindercombe off Paragon 111 all the same age, we used to club together a tin of peas, baked beans, pork sausages, bully beef, all got poured into a large pot and was devoured with great relish along with doorstops of bread on the various yachts in nightly rotation.

Brian James

News from Simon's Town Naval Base

THE NAVY BAND

The Navy Band are already busy considering plans to perform again in Europe, following the success of the visit to Germany earlier this year. Written confirmation has now been received of the invitations to the Netherlands National Tattoo and to the 40th Anniversary of the International Military Music Show in Germany. However, that is all for the future, whereas the present includes providing music for the Inauguration of the African Union, in Durban during the first week of July, immediately followed by the Knysna Festival. The Band will also perform a Gala Concert at UNISA, Pretoria, in August this year. Besides all this activity, and the ongoing ceremonial duties, official Navy functions, etc our busy musicians are already preparing to participate in the opening ceremony of the World Cricket Cup, in February next year. Participation is by special invitation and the televised extravaganza will be beamed to a worldwide audience estimated at 2.1 billion!

The good news for the local supporters is that there will be an opportunity to attend a

Navy Band concert on 24 July, at the Fish Hoek High School Hall. This will be in partnership with the Texas Girls Choir (!) who will be touring South Africa at the time. There are 42 of them, complete with cowboy hats and boots, and they were strongly advised to ensure they performed with the Navy Band if they intended touring South Africa, and to visit the penguins!! (Texas apparently knows quite a lot about Simon's Town, the Navy and the Band). All enquiries on this to the Band Office 787-3719/4059.

Mike Oldham

NAVY 80 BALL

The Navy 80 Ball is scheduled for 7 September 6:30pm for 7pm on board the combat ship SAS Outeniqua. Tickets are available at R350 per couple and include a full three-course dinner. This is your chance to wear that ball gown or tuxedo you've been saving for that special occasion, so book now or you may be disappointed. For more info call Mrs Karen Knight on 021 787 3860.

New Ship for SA Navy!

Bells clanging, ships' horns hooting - what was all the noise you ask yourself?

Well, there was certainly good reason to celebrate. The first of four Corvettes, christened the SAS Amatola, was launched in Germany on Friday 7 June at 12:30pm SA local time.

Even though we were not there to witness this auspicious occasion, we could certainly celebrate here in Simon's Town as well. Ships' horns and bells resounded throughout the bay at exactly 12:30 - welcoming the "new addition" to the fleet.

The SAS Amatola is scheduled to arrive in Simon's Town in February 2003.

Lieutenant Commander Lisa Hendricks

NAVY INVITED FOR 500 YEAR CELEBRATIONS ON ST HELENA ISLAND

At the invitation of the Governor of St Helena, the SAS DRAKENSBERG, along with Ms I Beater of the SA Heritage Resources

Agency, visited the Island from 14-18 June 2002. The ship departed Simon's Town on Sunday, June 9 at 14:00 and returned to Simon's Town on June 24. The reasons for the visit were to participate in the 500 year Celebrations of the island of St Helena and, at the same time, to carry out force preparation training.

St Helena was a place of exile for many years with famous exiles such as Napoleon Bonaparte, Chief Dinizulu and over 6000 Boer war prisoners from the Anglo-Boer war. These war graves, situated at the knollcombes Military Cemetery, are visited and cleaned each time a Navy vessel visits the Island.

On request from St Helena, a group of traditional zulu dancers performed on the island of St Helena during the visit — perhaps in honour of Chief Dinuzulu, the pretender to the Zulu throne and his two uncles Ndabuko and Shingana who were exiled due to high treason.

This visit therefore provided the opportunity to pay tribute to both vastly different Boer and Zulu cultures and once again emphasise the richness and diversity of the South African Navy and, ultimately the South African culture.

The SAS DRAKENSBERG ships' company were also given the opportunity to visit Napoleon's tomb and house as well as to participate in the environmental fund day at the Millennium forest.

As the SAS DRAKENSBERG was not able to go alongside at St Helena Island "islanders" where ferried across to visit the ship.

SAS KAPA COMMAND CHANGED

A Change of Command Parade took place onboard the SA Navy's minesweeper SAS KAPA, on Wednesday June 5, 2002 at 13:00 in the SA Naval Dockyard in Simon's Town. Commander Francois Du Toit, for the first time in his naval career assumed command of a Naval warship. Commander

Wayne Beattie, the outgoing Officer Commanding, presently the Executive Officer of SAS PROTEA, handed over command in this ceremony.

Born on 1 April 1972 in Cape Town, Commander Francois Du Toit joined the SA Navy on 05 January 1990. He served and rose through the ranks in the then Strike Craft Flotilla and the Mine Counter Measures Flotilla. Commander Du Toit attained his Bridge Watch Keeping qualification in 1994 and went on to complete his B.Mil degree in 1997. In the period between 1999 and 2000 while serving onboard SAS OUTENIQUA as an Operations Officer, Commander Du Toit completed the Argentine Naval Ice Navigation Course.

Commander Du Toit will be only the second officer to command SAS KAPA. The SAS KAPA is one of six type 351 minesweepers acquired from Germany last year. The 351's replaced the old ton class minesweepers

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that became too expensive and difficult to maintain. The Minesweeper SAS KAPA is used to conduct sea training, coastal patrols and participate in search and rescue operations.

According to Commander Du Toit his goal of commanding a naval warship has now been realised and the next goal is to command a bigger combat ship.

Lieutenant Commanders Theodore Sopangisa and Lisa Hendricks

City of Cape Town Finance Briefs

Summary of some recent resolutions: Finance Portfolio Committee

City to recover warning letter's costs

The City of Cape Town plans to recover the printing, administrative and delivery costs from customers who cause additional expenditure to the administration by failing to pay or make arrangements prior to the due date of account payment.

The Finance Portfolio Committee approved a recommendation that a tariff of R17.10 (VAT inclusive) be charged for delivery of warning letters. Should the customer submit evidence that mitigates against the levying of such a charge, senior officials will be authorised to use their discretion in the negotiation of payment or settlement of arrears.

The recommendation will now be put to the City Council for approval.

Arrears Increase of R4 million to be investigated

The approximate monthly arrears for housing in the City are increasing R4 million per month.

The committee will set up a meeting between City politicians, officials and the Sher-

iff of the Court to explore solutions to the problem.

Grants in Aid

A subcommittee of the Finance Portfolio Committee will deal with the current Grants-in-aid programme of the City of Cape Town before the end of June 2002. In dealing with these grants, the committee looks at a longer term criteria necessary for the programme.

The general criteria for these grants deal with the community impact and accessibility of projects, social-economic upliftment, financial viability, suitability and degree of self-reliance. Other factors include the degree of support already received, development programmes and the location of the project and complementary aspect to the City's strategic priorities.

Credit card payments to be levied

Any commission where a City account payment of R2 500 is paid by credit or debit card will be recovered by the City once the Executive Committee approves the proposed policy on credit and debit card payments.

According to a report to the Finance Portfolio Committee the City's various administrations are paying more than R1 million commission per month to financial institutions for these transactions. The City can save approximately R4 million per year if the City recovers commission on single payment transaction of R2 500 or more.

Legal advice stated that the City might implement such a policy as long as a standard message informs customers of the recovery of commission on payments over R2 500. On a question by the Chairperson of the Finance Portfolio Committee, Ald Maatje Ellmann, City officials indicated that every City customer will also be informed by letter once the new policy is approved by the Executive Committee.

St Francis Anglican Church Continued...

The Church Lady Brigade was revived for the second time by Mr. Legie, the principal of the Mission School, in July 1925, the first attempt being in 1907 under the leadership of Isaacward Beane. The Church Girls Brigade was formed in 1903. Today The Brigade is still active and well in the Ocean View community.

In Glenora the Anglican community attended services in the Presbyterian Church Hall which had been built in 1898. A mission school was built across the valley in 1927, near the Schurmer's cottages. In 1949 the Parish was divided about the Presbyterian Hall, and it became St Andrew's Chapel. From 1951 outstations of St Francis were established at the old Butte's Camp on Red Hill and in Diego Valley and St Anthony's in Glenora was consecrated.

Alterations to St Francis were again made in 1954 when the choir stalls were removed and wood paneling was added behind the altar and clergy stalls. A second hand organ was obtained from the Dutch Reformed Mission Church in Telford and installed at the back of the church. It was dedicated to the memory of Mrs Emmeline, the first lady church warden and grandmother of James and Margaret Cartwright. The organ chamber became the Lady Chapel.

The Church accepted the Old Mission's Offices (Patrol) as its Parish Centre in 1967. It housed a Parish office as well as a flourishing Youth Club under the leadership of Lesley Adair. Parish meetings, services and wedding receptions took place there until it was sold in 1986 to Messrs Cotton and Bock.

The fact that St Francis had no official Parochial Festival had worried its members over the years. This changed in 1958 when St Francis was renamed St Francis of Assisi.

The Reverend Colin Winter became rector in 1969 and no taken aback was he at the lack of knowledge of the Christian faith, that

he met about rectifying matters through education, quite shows and films. The Church Men's Society and the Women's Service Guild were formed. With the help of his parishioners, Jos Cartwright and Ray Stannard, the outstations went from strength to strength and the number of choirsboys increased. A statue of St Francis was presented by the Ocker family and one of Our Lady was donated by the Guild.

Simon's town parishes, Father Henry Frislaar and Father Joe Cartwright, were ordained in 1961 and 1962.

The first parish seems to be affected by the Forced Removals in Simon's Town were the Luyo's community. They were moved in September 1965, just as their male students had begun to write their exams.

The dedication of Simon's town as a white Group Area in 1967 divided the community. Within days Reverend Harry Wolfe became the chairman of the Advisory Body in 1968, set up by the Black Sash and the other churches in the town to help those affected by the Forced Removals. The Group Area did forcibly remove 25% of St Francis congregation to Ocean View and elsewhere, but Father Wolfe and Father Joe Cartwright continued to minister to Simon's town's displaced community in Ocean View until about the time St George's was built in the township in 1971. There were difficult years for St Francis and its parishioners, with families being moved out of Simon's town daily, without warning.

The naval chaplain, Reverend Walter Butler was invited to become the rector in 1962 and the Dockyard Church of St George was incorporated into the Parish, although it maintained a congregation of its own until 1992. Throughout the 1980's and 1990's young married and naval national services were attended services.

Reverend Walter Butler retired from the Navy in 1988 and Father Henry Frislaar "came home" after he took the place at the beginning of 1982, having been appointed the full-time rector of St Francis of Assisi.

Cathrynne Saffer-Jansen
Simon's Town Museum

NSRI Station 10 Simon's Town

It would appear that the rainy season is upon us but you know, or maybe you don't, that "it never rains on a golf course". This is a saying coined by the grass widow wives and lady friends of avid golf fanatics. Fortunately for the Shorelink organisers of the Station 10 Fundraising Golf Day at Simon's Town Country Club this saying brought great joy on Monday 17 June, when the weather played along ensuring ideal conditions for the 80 participants in what turned out to be a great success for the organisers and the ILC team led by Paul Smit who turned out to be the eventual winners.

The format of the competition was American Scramble which despite the name is a highly organised way of playing golf and ensures that groups of four players play as a team and although they all play their shots the best one is selected for the progress to the next shot. This proves to be a very entertaining way of playing a golf competition.

The players enjoyed their day and the subsequent prize giving which was highly successful owing to the generosity of the sponsors and I am sure no one was disappointed.

Station Commander Dave Roberts presided at the prizegiving and ensured that speeches were short and to the point. All in all it turned out to be a very worthwhile day and thanks to all participants and great sponsors, a substantial amount was raised on behalf of Station 10. Many thanks must also go to the members of the Shorelink Committee who gave of their time to organise the event and those that helped to braai burgers and the ladies who assisted with teas and other irksome chores.

Three call-outs were experienced in June. On the 8th a call from Fish Hoek Hobie cat Club to assist their 3 metre semi rigid boat to bring a hobie that was in difficulties in under tow. However before our boat was launched we were told to stand down as the Hobie Club boat was on Long Beach

with its tow. Our 4x4 went to Longbeach to assist.

On the 18th of June a call was received from False Bay Yacht Club that the yacht "Melusa", en route from Hout Bay to Mauritius had lost steerageway and was in difficulty in False Bay. "Spirit of Freemasonry" was launched at 18:02 and proceeded at all speed to the aid of the vessel which was towed into Simon's Town and made fast to the Town Jetty. The boat was recovered at 19:25.

On the 22nd of June a call was received from the Station Commander of a drowning in Kalk Bay Harbour. The Station Commander responded to the call himself but no boat was required to launch. CMR Rescue, Fish Hoek Fire Service and False Bay Emergency Services were all present applying CPR but to no avail as the patient had drowned. So far those were the calls in June. Station 10 remains at the ready to go to the aid of the distressed and is only too pleased when such occasions do not arise but training and preparation remain the norm and the many young persons who keep prepared are to be congratulated.

Station 10 Personnel are still involved in a Navigation Course and on the 29th of June some of the personnel will attend a Search and Rescue Seminar.

Hoping all goes well in the winter months (don't be too complacent!!! Think of the flood victims in Chile)

Thanks to the generous sponsors who contributed towards the most successful Golf Day at Simon's Town Country Club on Monday 17 June. *Thorp Delta Fish Hoek, Central Jewellers, Pick 'n Pay Longbeach Mall, Watson's Meat, MGM Estates, Boardmans, Gladys Dilley Estates, Mica Central Hardware, ILC Pty Ltd, Harbour House, Kalky's, Brass Bell, Botes Meat, Villiersdorp Cellars, Fatima Lovendall, Penfin,*

nion operates Spide's Corvus the Crow in the north West 666. Conjuncturing is Aroclous in the constellation of Hootes the Harrier, 20° north of the celestial equator. Vega is 40° north - which is the limit of our viewing in Simon's Town.

The Planets

Mercury magnitude +1.3 will be seen low in the west after sunset. It is 0.8° south of Saturn on the 2nd and in superior conjunction on the 21st. On the 1st - 13th Mercury and Saturn are visible in the morning sky.

Venus, magnitude -4.0 is visible in the west after sunset with Jupiter until the 6th. On the 10th it is 1° north of Regulus, on the 14th 4° south of the moon.

Mars, magnitude +1.7 is visible near Jupiter on the 3rd and Pollux on the 4th. Early in August Mars is in conjunction with the Sun and only disappears in the morning sky in

late September.

Jupiter, magnitude -1.9 is in conjunction with Mars on the 3rd. It will be too close to the Sun to be seen after this. In July it is in conjunction with the Sun on the 20th. It rises in Camer in early August at magnitude -1.05 and will be seen in the morning sky.

Saturn, magnitude +0.7 is a morning planet at present. On the 9th it is 1° south of the Moon.

Uranus, magnitude +5.6, is a morning planet 4° north of the Moon on the 20th. It is just visible with the naked eye - but may be found easily using binoculars or the 250x.

Neptune, magnitude +7.9 is a morning planet 4° north of the Moon on the 25th in Capricornus, the Goat.

Pluto, magnitude +15.8 is in Capricornus. A large telescope is necessary to see it.

The Moon

New Moon is on the 12th, First Quarter on the 17th, Full Moon is on the 24th, Last Quarter on the 2nd. How many people saw the Eclipse of the Moon on the 24th June at 10:13pm?

The Sun

On the 1st, Sunrise is at 4:55 and Sunset at 5:45pm. On the 30th Sunrise is at 7:39am and Sunset at 6:46pm. The Winter Solstice occurred on the 21st June when the Sun reached the most northerly point on over the Tropic of Cancer (actually Taurus) and is now moving south towards the equator.

There will be a total Solar Eclipse on the 4th December from 2:51am to 2:53am at Simon's Town. Have you purchased Eclipse glasses from the Business Manager, Astronomical Society of South Africa, PO Box 6, Observatory 7935, and made preparations to use it? Never observe without using Eclipse glasses as you will be permanently blinded by the Sun.

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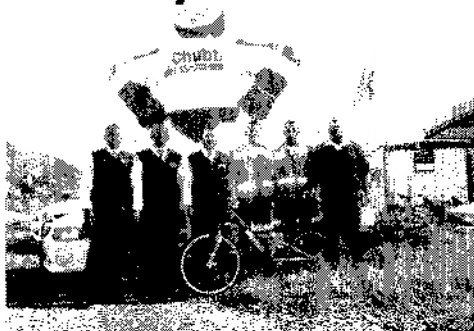
In July Scorpio is directly overhead at 9pm, Leo is setting in the west and Capricorn, the Goat, has risen in the east. This constellation in the east is easily identified as it represents the horns of the Goat, with the two brightest stars, Alpha and Beta being next to one another at the end of the same horn. Also Alpha is a double star, that may easily be seen with the naked eye, providing you have normal eyesight, otherwise use binoculars to see this 3rd Magnitude pair. Several people have informed me that they have seen Kappa Crucis, the Jewel Box, described in the June Snoektown, as well as the globular Cluster called, Omega Centauri, using binoculars during the few days of fine weather we had between the 19th and 22 June.

More people are asking where to find the 13 constellations of the zodiac (the path of the planets), and some think they are all visible every night. The Zodiac is found in the Ecliptic, an imaginary line about 10° wide in the sky between east and West. Usually six constellations are visible at the same time. In the July sky at 9pm Leo is setting in the west, followed by Virgo with its bright star called Spica; Libra is next; then strong Scorpio with its very red Antares; Sagittarius the Archer, and Capricornus complete the six.

Sagittarius is at the centre of the Galaxy, and is easily seen as it follows Scorpio. Our galaxy is bun shaped, being six times as long as it is wide, however, some people say the galaxy is disc shaped! Most of the brightest stars we see are concentrated towards the Milky Way, where about 3000 stars are visible at one time to the naked eye, if optical aid is used then over 6000 are visible, but cannot all be seen at once.

The bright star in the north opposite Scorpius is Vega in the constellation of Lyra the Harp - which is visible above the lights of the Cape Flats at this time. In the south the constella-

Glencairn Heights Bicycle Patrol



The residents of Glencairn Heights met their bicycle patrol officers on Saturday 25 May 2002 at the Chubb local office. Numerous security issues were discussed and information exchanged.

One of the important issues was the lack of communication between the patrol officers and the residents. Subscribers of the bicycle patrol can contact the Guarding Control Room at (021) 945-3882/3/4.

The success of the bicycle patrols is moving to other areas as Fish Hoek and Capri are now investigating the introduction of the bicycle patrol.

Chubb and approximately one half of the residents of Glencairn Heights are still carrying the cost of this service.

The cost of the service is only R40 and forms are available at the local office in Glencairn Heights or you can call your area office on 788-8030.

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Due to a constant demand for backnumbers of this publication it has been decided to make such numbers available on a more accessible basis.

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Simon's Town SAPS

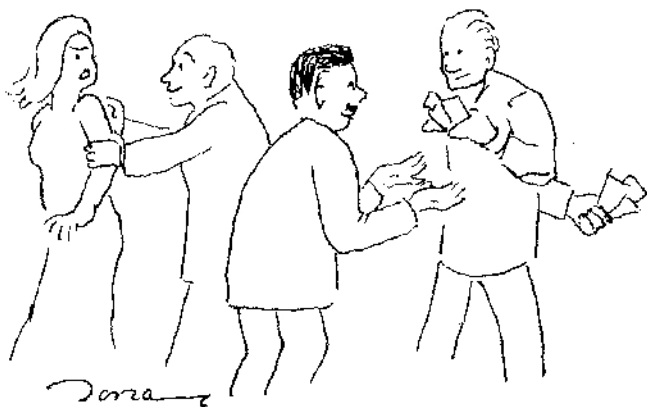
Crime for this period has shown an overall decrease. Since Operation Numeror II was held, theft of and out of motor vehicles has shown a decrease in the Glencairn/Glencairn Heights area. On Friday 7 June R/Const McFarlane received information that the occupants of a silver BMW had been seen breaking into motor vehicles in the Cape Point Nature Reserve. R/Const Losper and R/Const McFarlane, assisted by Insp CB Collins, stopped the motor vehicle in front of the Simon's Town Police Station. 3 Suspects were detained for breaking into motor vehicles and theft. A small quantity of illegal ammunition was also recovered. The investigation is being conducted by D/Insp Matthews of SAPS FH.

Insp "Cassie" Carstens wishes to thank all those public minded citizens who have been forthcoming with information of the "drug" problem in the Deep South. This information is being analysed and followed up. Arrests are imminent in the near future. **Friendly warning to all drug dealers: With the co-operation of the community you will be removed like a malignant cancerous growth!!!**

Project Sabena: The present class ended on 5 June and the next classes will take place during July. Any interested parties are asked to contact Insp Store during the last week of June. To all those ladies who finished, inclement weather notwithstanding, I wish to extend my thanks.

Simon's Town Community School: On Wednesday 5 June 24 pupils (aged between 3 - 6) from the Simon's Town Community School visited the Simon's Town Police Station. They were taken into the Community Service Centre and cells, and Insp Store ably assisted by Insp (f) Lesley Daniels, Insp van der Merwe, R/Sgt Roberts and Mrs Amanda Steenkamp gave them a short talk about the police. Their hand prints were taken and a poster will be made out of it. At the conclusion they were taken back to school by "prisoners truck" and each child received a colouring book.

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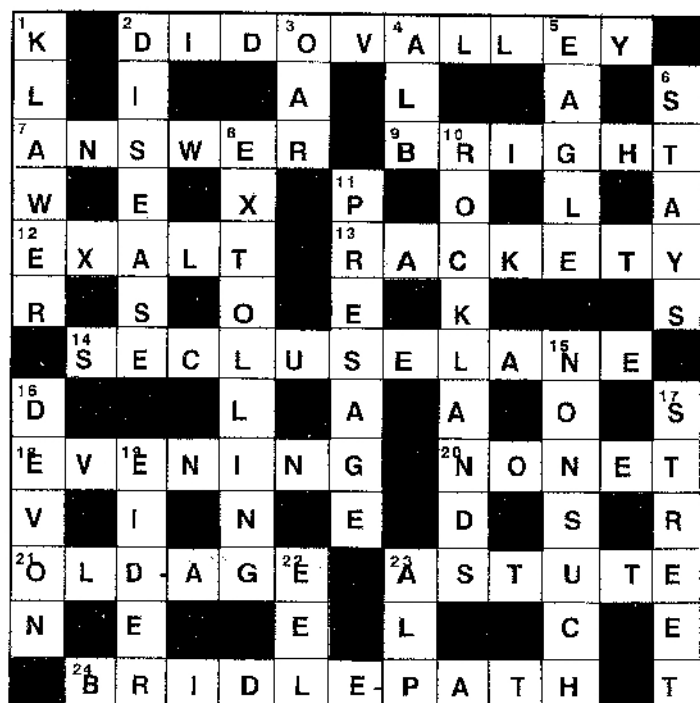
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5	Fri/Vry	1157	—	0543	1756	0752	1750	0254	1405
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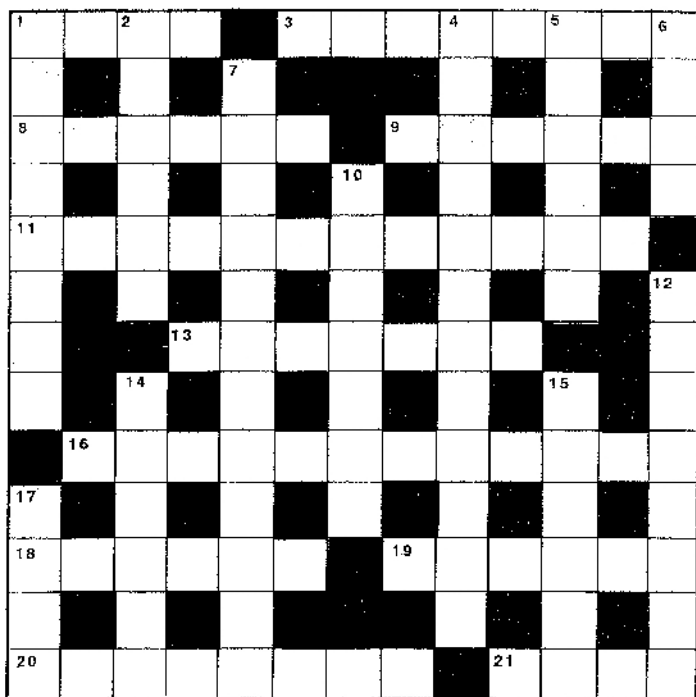
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CLUES ACROSS

- 1 A local Point - or Porter (4)
- 3 The answer, to follow next, must be in this (8)
- 8 A commerical opening is coming (6)
- 9 Apply the brakes to whisky (6)
- 11 The way to celebrate 300 years in Glencairn (12)
- 13 Roast St can become stationary in generators (7)
- 16 They're fiery, angry and rebuff back, but are still popular at Easter (3,5,4)
- 18 In the team, behind the ball and to leg (2,4)
- 19 No rune can be a nerve-cell (6)
- 20 A sun-radio - possibly long extinct (8)
- 21 One bird of many (4)

CLUES DOWN

- 1 Ships usually found working inshore or under the drink (8)
- 2 Feeling out-of-sorts in a uniform? (6)
- 4 A corn student could be not strikingly different against another (12)
- 5 Try a "No" for a change to one who draws up contracts (6)
- 6 Chloe, the lout, can be heard coming back (4)
- 7 Getting 'ectic within innards can be lethal to bugs (12)
- 10 The terminus, looking up, has tat for its number ones (7)
- 12,17 Find Holmes' friend's flower in this cul-de-sac in Froggy Farm (8,4)
- 14 Perform second letters on close to froggy Pond (6)
- 15,17 Your prey should be hunted here in our town (6,4)

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Friends of Simon's Town Coastline

Thursday 11 July at 7.15 for 7.30pm there will be a talk. Speaker and subject to be announced. Museum Hall, Court Rd, Simon's Town.

Sunday 14 July at 9.30am alien vegetation hack and planting of indigenous shrubs at Frank's Bay. Meet at the parking area at Fisherman's Beach. (The idea of this hack is a continuation of alien vegetation removal along the Main Road to prevent penguins nesting there and straying into the road and also to remove regrowth

after previous hacks). For hacks and walks organised by Simon's Town Flora Conservation Group contact Peter Saffer 786 1620.

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