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# New Admiral's Office now Fleet Command

From the Dockyard Works Book No 46 there appears a long exchange of letters between the C-in-C (Admiral Moore) and London or with his staff from which we were able to glean the following information.

In 1902 with the work being commenced on the new East Dockyard it was realised it would be necessary to increase the staff at the Cape and that a Captain in Charge of the Dockyard should replace the Captain Superintendent of that time. The Captain Superintendent appears to have been appointed in October 1861 when work to enlarge the West Dockyard was carried out.

Outside Admiralty House was the Toll Gate which was about to be taken out of commission and therefore the Toll Keepers' two cottages were up for sale. The Navy looked at these with a view to purchasing them for accommodation for the Admiral's Secretary's clerks. However the work required to bring them up to standard was deemed to be too excessive and it was therefore decided to erect a completely new building "as a Residence for the C-in-C's Secretary's Clerks, in the Secretary's field". The Secretary lived in a cottage within the grounds of Admiralty House (on it's south side) and immediately below the contemplated new building. The site chosen was at the top of the hill abutting the Main Street, adjoining the Anglican Church used by the civilian population and close to the premises of the Resident Magistrate. It had a good view over the new harbour and was an eminently suitable site from which to keep an eye on what was going on. All the Admiral's signals could be seen from all Naval and Dockyard buildings.

As the Admiral required the building to be completed as soon as possible and he had a budget of £2000, tenders were called for locally to build a house which would consist of 4 bedrooms, 1 sitting room, 1 dining room, 1 servant's room, 1 kitchen. Thomas H Hitchin of Cape Town was appointed architect and surveyor and his employee Mr HH Bridgman was to draw the plans and Bills of Quality. Four Simon's Town builders tendered as well as one each from Glencairn and Kalk Bay. The tender of Mr J Squires of Simon's Town was accepted at £1600 for not only was it £400 below the estimated cost, but he would build it with superior Stellenbosch bricks and not those from Simon's Town or Fish Hoek. All went well and on 3 October 1903 Admiral Moore wrote to the Civil Engineer of the Naval Yard to say that in future the building will be known as "Admiral's Office". The Civil Engineer wrote to the Admiralty and Evan MacGregor wrote back in December approving this. Page 56 of the Works Book (Moore to Civ.Eng 26/10190/3) gives the building as providing offices **and** accommodation. During the early period of its use by the Royal Navy the clerks lived downstairs and the Admiral's Office was upstairs. Later on, and certainly from 1942, all the Admiral's senior staff had their offices in this building - the Chief of Staff, Fleet Commander, Fleet Gunnery Officer, Fleet TAS Officer, Paymaster Captain and his staff. There was also a Signal Station sited there.

In March 1904 the boundary walls and gates were provided. The walls were of rubble masonry with copy moulded caps and wrought iron gates. The gates including fitting and painting cost £91.10.0d.

The building was occupied from 1 April 1904. The builders cleaned it out on 29 March ready for the furniture to be moved in and the final work done there before occupation was to fit bells to the Boat Crews' quarters (near the Secretary's house) and to fit a bell from the Record Room to the Signal House in the grounds of Admiralty House.

***Taken from Book by AE Read, Royal Navy and Dockyard Simon's Town***

# Editorial

The composition of the reorganised South Peninsula sub-council is a matter of grave concern, since it reflects blatant political manipulation by the ANC/NNP coalition, who have appointed five proportional representatives, three of whom do not reside in the South Peninsula: the chairperson is Kulukwa Mpongo, who hails from Mitchell's Plein. The manipulation confirms my comments in an earlier editorial: that proportional representation and political parties should be banned from local government.

The community requires its elected municipal councillors to perform their community responsibilities with diligence and devotion. It is also required that elected councillors will be fully au fait and conversant with the problems and general conditions of the ward and region they serve. The chairman of a sub-council is effectively the Chief Executive Officer - setting the agenda and monitoring performance and execution of responsibilities. Therefore the appointment of the new sub-council will be counter productive - if not disastrous - in the long run. I sincerely hope our three community associations will vigorously and actively raise our objections.

Now on to another controversial issue - the baboons, and what to do about this real problem. It is inevitable that sooner or later household pets will be captured and eaten; and some young child will be seriously injured because the baboon wants to steal the lunch packet.

One hears of baboon catchers, baboon chasers - and now baboon monitors. But in reality, the problem is a very simple one: the carrying capacity of the natural environment has become substantially exceeded - probably by 100% - due to natural popula-


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tion growth in the absence of natural predators. Therefore, the starving baboons have to go marauding to find food.

The solution is simple but drastic:
1. Cull to reduce the population to an accepted norm of carrying capacity; culling is normal and accepted practice in wildlife management, and the baboon is, after all, a wild animal.
2. Introduce predators, eg leopard, to control population growth.
3. Supplementary feeding at selected locations far removed from residential areas.
4. Enhanced propagation of natural edible plants to increase carrying capacity of the environment, of those plants preferentially grazed by baboons.

Well, so much for controversy! The silly season is upon us, so take care and fester in moderation. Snoektown Calling wishes all its readers a joyful Christmas and good health in the New Year! The next issue will be in February 2003.

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## Down the Historical Mile

Hoerê-hoerê-hoerê! was the general chorus from SLAP at the opening of the November meeting - to celebrate the re-awakening of the dockyard clock. It's working again, shouted Wingnut Williams, and the folk of Simon's Town are at peace again.

Now Stoffel Boesman had his story to tell, of how he helped the Dok through a most difficult and trying experience at the Magistrate's Court. Well you see, said Stoffel, two skollies stole a 9kg gas cylinder out of the Dok's caravan and sold it to the hardware store. Well, a SLAP member saw the break-

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in and theft, and because he thought the Dok was a good ou, he reported the theft and so here we are with a court case.

Now, we all know that the Dok doesn't like so well, and in fact he doesn't hear so well either; so Stoffel decided he was the person to guide the Dok through this ordeal, and just in case of funny business Schultz - with his Luger - would also go along.
Well, Stoffel continued, we arrive at the temporary court at 09:00, and the Dok asks, is this the court? It looks like a ship's container. Anyway, there we are, waiting for something to happen, and a cop comes out and shouts out a string of names, but nothing much seems to happen. And so time goes on and we begin to feel a bit weary, so the Dok sits down on a broken chair next to (the women who kick they're beef) there since night of clock. They chatter and rk near all the time, we never did find out why they were there - maybe just a day's entertainment.

Then at about eleven of clock a police van rolls up at the gate and a white skin, tied up with chains, is escorted into the courtroom.

One of the co-ourenfaces says he had killed his children. Just like - can you believe such a thing, remarked Clara Flinpoech, what is the world coming to!

Anyway, Stoffel cartesian with his story. So at half-past twelve a cop tells the Dok his case is on, and we all troop inside. The cop

guides the Dok the little hokkie, but nobody tells him whether he should sit onstand - so he stands. To his right is the longstable and to trouble the prosecutor, both are persons of the Polk (with a capital F), and dressed in black gowns. The prosecutor asks a few questions and the Dok answers - and then


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a little okie on the Dok's left lets loose in Xhosa. He is the official interpreter. I can tell you, we were all taken by surprise.

So, the procedure carried on until the magistrate asked the defence attorney if he had any questions: an immigrant from the Transkei and also dressed in a black gown. He had a couple of questions but nothing serious. By this time it was nearly one o' clock and the magistrate said finish and klaar - time for lunch break. So we all trooped out. Well, there you have it, said the Chairman, and before we close the meeting it is proper that SLAP wish all the good folk of Simon's Town a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

***Streetwalker***

## Great Teeth

Besides fish, some invertebrates in False Bay also have awesome teeth. These are the chitons, cone shells, limpets and spiny sea urchins. Among urchins, some species can even bite into solid rock and steel pylons! Incidentally, their five teeth are clearly visible in a newly washed-up shell.

Under the electron microscope, a limpet's teeth look terrifying. As in chitons, their leading edge contains extremely hard iron oxide. With a softer back, the teeth act as self-sharpening chisels. Cone shells have even more remarkable teeth, since they are modified into hollow dart-like structures filled with poison. While some species use them to stab prey, in others - they are fired as harpoons. Like us, they come in shades of black, brown, white and yellow - but never fight among themselves!

***Bevan Pank***

## Ward Councillor's Report

Apologies for my absence from Snoektown. As a two-finger typist I have been hampered by my accident and am now a one-and-a-bit typist. Thank you to all those who sent messages and good wishes after my accident. One old friend said: " Well, at least you didn't trip crossing the floor!"

So just to clarify that issue: As a ward councillor I am directly elected unlike proportional councillors who are chosen from a party list. I remain as the councillor for Ward 69 until the next election or until I resign. I was elected as a DA councillor, have not left the party and would resign and fight a by-election if I wished to change political allegiance. The only way to test public opinion is by allowing the electorate to vote.

In 1994 South Africans were at last able to choose where they wanted to live, who they married and where they could send their children to school. They could also vote for a political party of their choice. True democracy ensures that right to choose by having regular, free and fair elections. If people wish to organize themselves into apolitical groupings for local government elections they have a perfect right to do so - and the electorate has a right to vote for them.

The political floor show of the last few

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months will affect us as a community and will have considerable impact on the budget. It has affected morale amongst the staff and has resulted in a vast distaste among communities across the City for party politics in local government.

A few examples of disruption: finalisation on rebate systems and review of tariffs has stalled; the micro design process for appointing staff is under review as being politically suspect and personnel are only "acting" in positions. Staff are being shifted around the City so as to systematically break up the old administration areas such as the South Peninsula Area. (This is because we must recognize that we are all one and to achieve something called equity.) An example of this is Waste Management which is now run from Bellville. Sewerage management including unblocking of drains will be done from Constantia etc. etc.

With reference to the rebate review system: the importance of this is that organizations such as the Simon's Town Museum, the Community School, False Bay Yacht Club and other community organizations are being billed for rates at a level far higher than before and are not receiving the grants-in-aid as previously. Welfare organizations and Sporting groups across the City are very concerned.

A more alarming issue is that of the attitude to property tax. It no longer is considered as reflecting charges for non-measurable services but is a tax on property as a sign of wealth. The City will provide services on an "equitable" basis i.e. a basic level of service accessible to all. This basic level has not yet been defined.

At the last sub council meeting for our area, with the new proportional representative councillors from across the City I pointed out that the Progressive Capital Expenditure Report of the City for the SPA area to September 2002 showed the following:
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Capital Expenditure for the SP Sub council area R 1,454,273.70

Another little bit of information about your money: the new civic centre in Cape Town was erected at accost of some R70m. This contract had been signed by the previous ANC controlled City of Cape Town. Now that this party is back running the City the top floor offices - only just completed, the paint is barely dry- are being completely rebuilt and redone for the new coalition politicians. But of course, when you are getting R30 000 a month you want the best.

Enough of that. Here is an update on matters closer to home.

1. Brooklands Dam. The land on Red Hill upon which the proposed Brooklands dam is to be sited is to be provisionally reserved for Bulk Water Supply purposes subject to confirmation. Further investigations will include a scoping exercise to determine if there are any other impediments.

2. Dido Valley development. The transfer of the relevant PWD erven awaits the signature of the State Attorney. This is dragging the process out even more. Apart from the general uncertainty around this development, another worrying matter is the rapid regrowth of alien vegetation in the area. As we well remember this was one of the worst hotspots in the great Fire of 2000. PWD had been constantly asked to clear the land and had not done so, putting this community at serious risk as was borne out by events of that fire.
If the land is transferred within the next few weeks clearing will be the municipality's problem. If not, then PWD will have to accept the responsibility and the cost. This time they cannot evade it.

3. Land Claims. Some may remember the function held in the Town Hall last December to announce the handover to claimants of certain State owned properties from which they had been forcibly removed under the


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Group Areas Act. There was a great sense of excitement and much public display by certain politicians from Province and National Government. The statement was made that " Government will fast track this land disposal."

Well, here we are a year down the track and the land has not been handed over. It still remains zoned undetermined and none of the statutory processes required have been begun. As far as resolution of other claims stand; some people have been paid financial compensation, others who want alternative land may ask for property in Dido Valley, still other want their original land back despite it being either costly or impossible to develop. Many are now saying that they were never even given a chance to lay a claim. This is a long sad story with it seems no happy ending. It leaves a bitter taste in the mouth.

4. Sub Council changes. New national legislation is to be introduced next year that will allow for 4 extra sub councils in the City. This will mean a change in boundaries in the existing sub councils and extra administrative costs. Sub council chairs are paid about R30,000 a month and are classified as fulltime councillors as opposed to councillors like myself who are classified part-time.

The concept of sub councils was designed to bring local government closer to the communities in a geographic area. The previous sub council system ensured as far as possible that councilors were drawn from the communities in a sub council area . The South Peninsula sub council now has councillors from as far afield as Table View. The chair lives in Mitchell's Plain and does not have a car so it is difficult for her to come to Fish Hoek where her office is located.

Difficulties will arise when planning applications come to the sub council. Here intimate knowledge of an area and of the potential impact on a community is essential.


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5. Marine Oils Refinery site. Disposal of the site is on hold pending resolution of litigation between the putative developer and the owners. A senior building inspector has inspected the property to assess the danger of loose material blowing off the site. He has satisfied himself that this has been attended to but regular inspections will be necessary. Department of Water affairs state that there is currently no leachate from the site to the sea. A further report of mosquitoes was found to be incorrect.
However, it is most important that this strategic site is appropriately developed as soon as possible.

6. Holiday season services. Casual staff have been employed for the season to April. This includes staff for cleansing and amenities. All beach cleaning as well as street sweeping will be the responsibility of the Waste Management Department in the future. Full implementation awaits the completion of the micro design and placement process. Time frames are unknown.

Another year rattles to a close. I have not enjoyed it. I hope and pray that the holiday season passes without incident and that the New Year brings to us all the peace and happiness for which we long. To members of the Muslim faith, a very happy Eid and to those who celebrate Christmas may the love of Christ shine on us all.

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However the overall picture emanating from the effect of the political changes in the City of Cape Town remains very gloomy and this is particularly so in regard to the changing of officials and the very high costs incurred.

The effect of the floor crossing legislation is that the ANC now holds 80 seats, the NNP 30 and the DA 77 with 3 others being held by three smaller parties. Staff morale is at an all time low. In the case of Amenities, a Director has been appointed on a six month basis, while the facilities at Millers Point, Soetwater and Kommetjie have been trashed with little hope of repair being made with a slashed budget that now stands at R4,000 p.a.

The Executive and the Management Board are considering the breaking up of the present administration areas and management will be directed from the H.Q. in Tygerberg. In the case of Waste Management this has already been introduced and the depot left in Simon's Town is among the last, if not the last, to remain decentralised. The sub councils will not in future be service areas but service areas will rather be defined by officials as they see fit. There will be 20 sub councils to replace the current 16

and they will become political areas, a point that has been aired in the local free papers, as has the introduction of translation services. Add to this the buying out of contracts of senior employees and the overall cost can be imagined. Of concern is the likely introduction of quarterly, rather than monthly, meetings of the sub councils, with remaining matters being dealt with by the "Executive".

At Marine Oil a court case is pending between Tiger Oats and the developer, who held public meetings with local residents. In the meantime the Department of Water Affairs has been asked to place a time limit on the cleaning up of oil saturation but confirm that there is no leaching of pollution into the sea at this time.

At Seaforth the new toilet block and parking area should be completed prior to the builders holiday with the downside being that budget restrictions are liable to limit the issue of toilet rolls to one a day!! The developer is to look after the cleanliness of the toilets and area. The restaurant owner intends to expand the restaurant by enclosing the verandah and a departure application has been lodged in terms of which the old toilets and pump house will be demolished.

In Simon's Town itself concern continues at the selfish and self defeating practise of so many business owners, employees and Naval personnel who take up so much of the on street and main parking areas. With the ever increasing volume of traffic this can only lead to more drivers giving Simon's Town a miss and moving on to more accessible spots. The Section 21 Company will be tackling this problem as a matter of urgency. In a similar vein, but relating to signage, some seem to forget that Simon's Town is a tourist destination and Historical village. Business and property owners are urged to identify with, support and encourage compliance with the Conservation Area guidelines, develop a pride in the ambience of Simon's Town and enhance its tourism potential by establishing a unique character.


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Dr Mark Bromfield of the SFA recently addressed the Environmental Advisory Committee at which time he advised that due to political changes within the Unitary, the Sub Council and we are able only to act in an advisory capacity to the City. They will have no in line authority and until new structures are in place complaints to the SFA on service delivery should be detailed and include facts of what is not being done, when and where. A pilot custom or complaints project has been set up but as if only one person staff at this time the telephone number, which is known to members of the STCA, will not be issued for public use at this time. If you do have problems you should thus contact the relevant portfolio holder on the STCA.

**NEW YEARS EVE PARTY:** Preparations are going well but we need to be sure that two litre plastic bottles to convert into sand/shotters. Please phone Fran on 782-5844 if you can help. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers who have come forward to assist with this year's event.

**FOUNTAIN RETREAT CENTRE:**
The Centre is opening shortly in Glen Marina as a holiday home for bereaved underprivileged children, many of who will be AIDS orphans and facing life in an institution. The intention is to bring small groups of children for 4-6 days to a time into an environment where they will be comfortably accommodated and cared for in a real home atmosphere and enjoy all the sights and activities that Simons Town and the surrounds provide. Mike Kelly and Fiona Brophy, cousins well versed in this specialised field, will reside on premises as will a trauma counsellor.

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**OTHER EVENTS AND MATTERS:** The Anchor Players will be putting on excerpts from Cinderella between **11.00am and 3.00pm on the 7th December** on Jubilee Square. This is a prelude to the pantomime proper which will be at the Simonsberg Theatre (the theatre in the Dockyard) on the *12,13,14,19,20 and 21st of December. On Thurs and Fridays performances will be at 8.15pm and on Saturdays at 2.15pm and 6.15pm.* A great show with a super cast directed by Belinda Batt. Phone 785-2466 for bookings.

We are seeking nominations for the 2002 Citizen of the Year Award and these should be forwarded in writing to us before the 11th January next.

We also still seek proposals for the use the old Library building and also for some of the offices above the new library.

***All for now, STCA***

## Property Watch Report 44

**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. 43

**1.2 Erf No. 1180** Simon's Town (198 Queens Road ): Application for Land Use departure to convert Residential House to Medical Practice. No change from Report No.43.

**1.3 Erf No.4495:** Cairnside: Application to subdivide into portions. No change from


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Report No.43.

**1.4 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. 43.

**1.5 Erf No.2212** Glencairn Heights: Application for Bed and Breakfast establishment. No change from Report No. 43.

**1.6 Erf No.2464** Forest Hill: Application for subdivision into two parts. No change from Report No.43.

**1.7 Erf No.4403** Simon's Town (88 Dorries Drive): Application for departure from single residential to convert existing accommodation into"granny Flat" for self catering letting and to reduce the building line from 4.5 m. to 1.0 m. Now being finalised. No change from Report No.43.

**1.8 Erf No.1400** Simon's Town (Kleintuin Road) : Application for temporary land use departure in terms of Section 15 of Ordinance No.15 of 1985 to allow portion of the premises to be used as a sales outlet for curios and other crafts. Open to interested parties for comment. It is understood that objections have been received. No change from Report No. 43.

**1.9 Erf No.4034** Simon's Town: Application for Land Use Departure from single residential to allow conversion to Bed & Breakfast. No change from Report No.43. Application in progress.

**1.10 .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. Objections have been received to the proposal that the area be used as an outdoor restaurant with liquor licence. No change from Report No. 43 but discussion are being held with the owners.

**1.11 Erf No. 1239** (Cnr Forest Hill Road) Application for re-zoning and posssible removal of restrictions. No change from Report No.43.

**1.12 Erf No.3636** Simon's Town (Hope Street/Cardiff Road) Application to adjust the boundaries of Erf No.771 (the abutting erf to Erf No.3636) and subdivide the adjusted erf into three portions in accordance with the site development plan and to erect three dwellings. Report submitted to Sub-Council. No change from Report No.43.

**1.13. Erf No.3042** Simon's Town (Clan Stewart Street, Glencairn Heights): Earlier sub-division which was approved has lapsed and this is a re-application for the proposed subdivision of Erf No. 3042 into two erven in accordance with the lapsed apprroval. The two erven would be 312sq.m. and 459 sq.m. respectively. Report in progress. No change from Report No. 43.

**1.14 Erf No.4004** Simon's Town (Victory Close/Way): Application for Land Use Departure from single residential to Bed & Breakfast . Report in progress. No change from Report No. 43.

**1.15 Erf No. 2737** Application for departure, rezoning and subdivision. Objections have been lodged.

**1.16 Erf No.560** (Simon's Town Station) Application for rezoning, departure and subdivision. Further information awaited.

**1.17 Erf No. 4979** Application for rezoning


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of public street to single residential. Further information required.

**1.18 Erf No. 1191** Application for subdivision. Further information required.

**1.19 Erf No. 2082** Simon's Town( Cnr. Clan Stewart and Brunswick Sts.) Application for sub-division, being advertised at present. No change from Report No. 43.

**1.20 Erf No. 3182** Simon's Town (Queens Road, Seaforth) Application for rezoning, closure and alienation of public street - being advertised at present. No change from Report No. 43.

**1.21 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.

**1.22 Erf No. 2737** Simon's Town (Queen's Road, Seaforth) Application for subdivision, rezoning and departures in terms of Sect.15(a)(i) of the LUPO and the Simon's Town zoning scheme. Being advertised at present. Objections have been lodged.

**1.23 Erf 1368** Simon's Town: (Jan Smuts Ave, Seaforth) Application for height departure. Discussion in progress.

**1.24 Erf No.4461** Simon's Town (Seaforth Restaurant) Application for temporary Land Use Departure to Operation of Restaurant - enclosure of deck area and upgrading of change rooms.

**1.25 Erf No.3779** Simon's Town (Hugo Biermann Bldg. Naval Base) Application for temporary land use departure: installation of cellular communication antennae at top of lift shaft tower on roof of building with support equipment container to provide coverage in Simon's Town for Cell C network provider.

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.43.

**2.2 CFM.1404** Wildschutsbrand Farm: Application for land use departuren for the es-


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tablishment of a restaurant and tea garden, an African arts and craft market and overnight accommodation. No change from Report No. 43.

**2.3** Consolidated and Amended Town Planning and Zoning Scheme Regulations for Simon's Town and Fish Hoek: No change from Report No. 43.

**2.4** Proposed Lease of portions of public street abutting Erven Nos. 1731 and 1734 (Main Road Murdock Valley, Simon's Town) Extent 378 sq.m. each. Proposed usage - Gardening, security and access purposes. Lease period 5 years. No change from Report No. 43.

***Eve Leggatt***

*Note: A letter has been written to the Director Property Management Services supporting Mrs. Weaver'sletter regarding Public Open spaces and Pedestrian Paths in Glencairn. An acknowledgement has been received.*

## Simon's Town Business Association

The Simon's Town Business Association had their final meeting for 2002 at Café Pescado. Claire Ryan of Café Pescado pulled out all the stops and provided a wonderful meal. Needless to say a very good time was had by all present.

Invited guests included Captains Breedt and Knox of the SA Navy, Captain du Pisanie (SAP), Councillor Nicki Holderness, Blackie Swart (Police Forum), Donovan Roberts (CPO), Marius Harmse (Chubb), Eric Steyn and Henry Swift (Traffic Dept) , Dr and Mrs Loxton (SnoekTown Calling)and Mr John Stirrup. All of these people have been of great assistance to the SBA during the past year and their efforts are much appreciated.

All members of the Business Association were thanked for their hard work and participation during the year. However there are always those that go that extra mile, and our PRO, Malinda Coetzee, our CPO, Donovan Roberts, Marius Harmse (Chubb) and Mr John Stirrup, our tireless collector of funds, were singled out for their efforts. We would also like to thank our Chairman, Peter Johnson, for pulling it all together and all that time taken out of his business!

In anticipation of a very busy season, our next meeting will be held in February, 2003. Our sincere thanks is given to all those residents that support our local businesses. May the community of Simon's Town go from strength to strength in 2003.

***Trish Inggs***

## Memories of Happy Days 10

One can never - or almost never - foretell what lies ahead. Day follows happy day for a child. Walks in the Gardens with Mother pushing the pram containing the beautifully dressed infant heir, passers-by stopping to

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admire his crown of pale golden curls (excessively, I thought). Picnics on Woodstock's sparkling beaches, daring excursions on the new electric train to Simon's Town, for an elaborate lunch at the Lord Nelson Hotel. - We reckoned **her** roast potatoes were superior.

The blow fell suddenly. Dad had accepted the post of Chief Engineer with an American company and would be required to live in that strange, far-off place, Johannesburg. Mother wept, copiously when he took her along for the final contract signing. Women, she sobbed, **drank in public** - worse, smoked cigarettes in public. Everyone talked too fast, walked too fast. People, she cried, didn't dress properly. Instead of wearing overcoats as they should be worn, Johannesburgers draped the garments over their shoulders, the sleeves billowing out in the breeze, as they raced along the pavements - which were constantly being torn up. Wherever one looked in this noisy town, there were great holes where buildings had recently stood, to make way for bigger, taller buildings.

My own problems surfaced during the first weeks at school. Reciting "die kapstrapel kom uit by gat", I pronounced that word "gaat", as well-mannered people would in the Cape. "The word is get," said the teacher. "Say it: GAP". How to tell him it was a very rude word where I came from? I was given


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one hundred lines: I must say gat. The speed of everyone's speech was incredible. On the other hand when I had to read an essay, a teacher put his head down on the desk and said "wake me up when she's done".

Tap water was crystal clear but the bathsoap wouldn't lather and made scum. Black men rushed to Park Station, shoes carried around their necks, tied together by the laces. There was that amazing place the delicatessen, filled with edible wonder. There were earth tremors: water glasses splashing their contents. And there were frightening thunderstorms which made a panicky Mother want to take the next train to Cape Town.

In this new world, I realised, it wasn't the distance in miles that separated drowsy Cape Town from frenetic Johannesburg: it was the elevation of 6000 feet above sea level.

***The End***

# Beach & Coastal Report

From covering Kleintuin Road in Simon's Town last month, it is now time to review the situation at Glencairn. The STCA correctly reported that burning of *Taipha* reeds at the Vlei was not a success. Parks & Recreation is therefore planning to use mechanical means at the end of summer. Furthermore, they have a plan to reduce sand-blasting from the unnecessarily extended beachfront parking area. Perhaps they can be persuaded to close off the old – but less windy – car park and vegetate it.

Judging by their extensive work on the Seaforth parking area, the SPA must be hard pressed to maintain the Glencairn beachfront. Hopefully, next month they will repaint the traffic lights and subway, as well as repairing vandalized copings to the brick walling. Broken or missing bollards also need to be replaced and painted. Furthermore, building rubble requires removal, not forget-

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ting at the traffic lights and from nearby repairs to a water-main on the still-to-be tarred pavement.
The only other problem applies to three recycling igloos at the Shopping Centre. Bricks, cans, tyres and cartons of empty wine bottles are being dumped around them. Even when the two containers for paper are not full, piles of newspaper are left to blow all over the place. Surely municipal law enforcement needs to be made aware of the problem? Incidentally, SPA now has a Customer Contact Centre to route inquiries at phone 710-9469, fax 710-9461, or email infomail@capetown.gov.za.

***Bevan Pank***

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## Simon's Town Pro Musica Divina

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## Simon's Town Community Police Forum

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# Memories of Fishing in the Good Old Days - 7

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Plettenberg was based at Simon's Town. One Saturday afternoon the motors were started, the mooring dropped and the first run along the coast past Glencairn to Fish Hoek was enjoyed by all. The day came to take her round the Point for the first time. Arriving at the Point on a promising day one could see hundreds of Malgas and Sterretjies as well as Tunny ducks all bashing at the surface. The area always seemed to be within a basic triangle set up by Bellows rock, Anvil and Rocky Bank. Here if one trolled around the extremities of the action (never through) one could be assured of large Katonkel, yellowtail, and even Yellowfin. On the one occasion just inside the Point we investigated a feeding frenzy and ended up with numerous large Geelbek caught initially on the troll and then spinning with ordinary flatback spinners.

Plettenberg had one of the largest afterdecks I have ever fished on: 20 feet from the after deckhouse to the transom and 16 feet across the beam. She had four 360° fighting chairs and many times have I seen them all busy. Trolling outside Bellows one day with the water that deep blue that we all seek, yours truly being the youngest on board, had what to a pikkie is a delightful chore, of 'driving'. Plett had a very high wheelhouse with good all-round viz. It was a particularly hot afternoon with little breeze from the South. The sea had that glassy oily sheen and there was little bird action.

We were on a Northerly course and perhaps seven miles offshore, when on looking ahead, I saw perhaps a mile ahead, a large fish of some sort come straight up and clear


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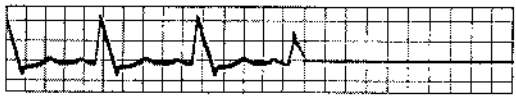

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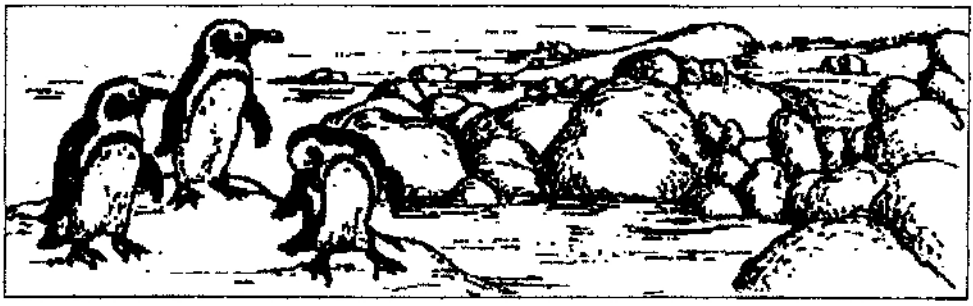

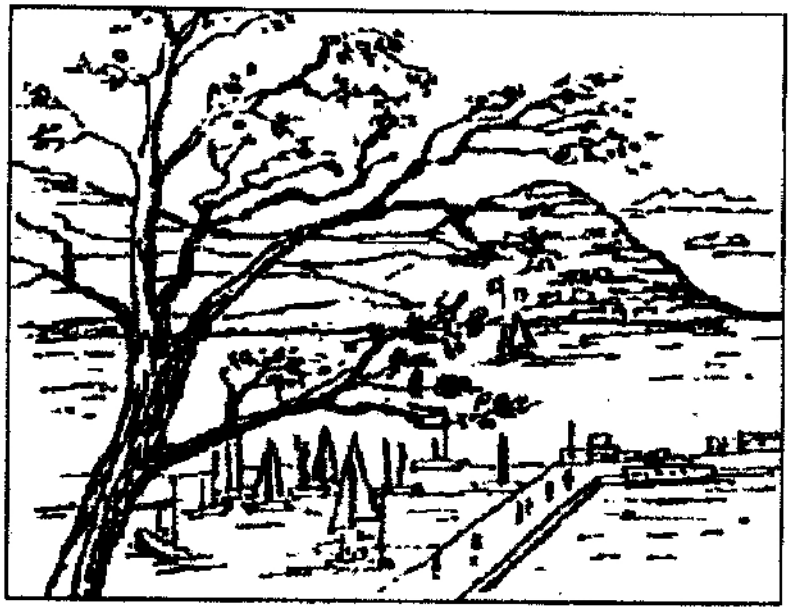

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of the water in a magnificent undulating leap and fall back on its side with a fountain of white water to mark the spot. I started to open my mouth to yell but then thought better of it until sure.

I changed the heading slightly to directly towards where I had seen whatever had jumped. One minute passed then two and I was beginning to pat myself on the back for not making a dope of myself when fine on the port bow the water parted almost in slow motion and a Marlin glistening and black rose up and up, clear of the water, still swimming, possibly having come up from deep down chasing fish on the surface. I yelled "Marlin, Marlin', and within seconds there was a thunder of pounding feet and twelve pairs of senior eyes with mine staring ahead. I had again altered course so as to head directly towards the still distant patch of disturbed white water. A dozen questions, where 2 what was it doing? how far? and then the doubts. Are you sure it wasn't a seal? Oh come on it was a Dolphin. I slowly started to shrink into the woodwork of the con-seat when a mere two hundred yards ahead the waters parted for a third and mere magnificent leap seen from closer. Pandemonium ensued. Everyone tried to get off the bridge at once and a bottleneck of struggling humanity built up in the doorway and top of the casting deck ladder.

With an instruction to circle the area wide, needles and hooks flew as Katonkel and yellowtail were prepared as baits. We then trolled the area for quite a while with no one saying a word but without success. That fish seen by thirteen people was estimated to have been between 400 and 500 lbs. That was a first and last sighting of a Marlin but the memory of the power behind that body still lingers.

Then as now, if one picked up a trawler going about its business offshore and you took a wide circle around it you would pick up Yellowfin as they presumably came to the net to pick off the small fry that escaped through the mesh.

One such trawler was the Bulby, an I&J trawler skippered by a Mr. Dreyer from Plumstead and on whose daughter I had a crush at that time, carrying her satchel home for her every day. (Ag shame). I was invited onto Bulby after she came off the slip after a repaint and new stern gland fitted. She was a steel craft of some 100ft and steam powered. She lay alongside in the Victoria Basin hissing quietly like some sleeping giant serpent. The accommodation was spartan and basically functional only. My nose led me down to see the engine room, and some engine room. No way, in my wildest imagination could I see myself spending my life doing a job throwing coal in a metal box perhaps I 2ftxl 2ft at a constant temperature of 40°C. Slightly further aft was the main engine, standing 8ft high with pistons like buckets and long things that went up and down and oscillated. Once under way and under full power this monster hissed and thrashed and vibrated so badly that I could only think of the skipper's daughter.

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# Peninsula Tourism

Summer has been reluctant to appear this year with a number of false starts, however these brief, undeserving bouts of rain and cold weather have not delayed the avalanche of visitors, local and foreign, who have descended on our town in recent months. A considerable proportion of our visitors call to enquire about the location of the penguin colony and request directions to Cape Point.

In September the arrival of spring was marked by the 2nd Penguin Festival organised by Frans Hollenbach, Jo Hendricks and the staff of Boulder Beach Lodge. As part of the Festival, the Publicity Association organised a Waltrons' race on Saturday 2nd September. Sixteen waltrons entered the race. Despite the nowing south-easter, the pace was fast and furious. The winners Donovan Howells and Wayne Riley of the Black Marlin received a beautiful silver tray engraved "Fastest service in the South" which is now on display at their restaurant. Well done to all participating waltrons and a big thank you to the Black Marlin, Seaforth Restaurant, Bon Appetit and Penguin Point for giving their staff time off to participate. Thanks also to Brian Sturman and Elizabeth Davey for exceptional help with organisation etc.
At the same time, members of False Bay Yacht Club worked extremely hard to organise their annual Spring Regatta - sadly the south-easter made conditions very difficult.

In October Peninsula Tourism organised a function at the Yacht Club, sponsored by Garden Route Marketing Company. This party gave the company the opportunity to invite members to advertise in their attractive new brochure "Cape Town and Environs". This colourful and informative brochure was published in record time and the dream Simon's Town establishments who chose to advertise will undoubtedly benefit


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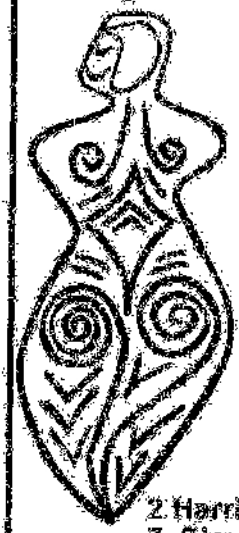

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from this exposure. The brochure is available from all Peninsula Tourism offices.

A successful AGM of the Simon's Town Publicity Association was held at the Simon's Town Museum on 3 October. The Chairman, Dave Hurwitz, reported on another excellent year, despite the uncertainty of the future of smaller tourist information offices like Simon's Town. Dave gave an interesting brief outline of the negotiations taking place with regard to amalgamation of local tourism bureau in the Western Cape. The Association was very fortunate to find an exceptional speaker this year and members enjoyed a take by Mike Lundy on hiking in the South Peninsula. Many visitors ask for this type of information and Mike's books are invaluable guides. His talk focused on the birdlife and flora of the region as well as interesting walks such as the Shipwreck Trail in Cape Point. As a token of appreciation, Mike was presented with a copy of "City Slickers" penguin video.

As the season approaches, facilities for summer activities are improving. The Scuba Shack diving company and the Sea Kayak adventures have become recent members of Peninsula Tourism. Scuba Shack is located in the 7-Eleven centre at Glencairn Heights and the Sea Kayaks operate from the jetty area in front of Bertha's Restaurant.

Dave Hurwitz has launched his new boat, which will offer daily trips to Seal Island and Cape Point - at last!
False Bay has experienced a bumper whale season, although the licenced whale watching boat was frequently unable to operate because of strong winds and general poor weather conditions.
Staff at the Bureau have recently arranged for several overseas tourists to take a guided tour around Masiphumelele. We have had favourable reports about the tour, which is organised by the Noordhoek Valley Training Centre. Unemployed local residents are trained at the Centre in skills like sewing, computer science, brick laying etc. Handcrafts made by these trainees are for

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sale at the Centre's small shop. The principal Jackie Weaver and her staff have worked wonders in setting up and developing this badly-needed community centre.

The highlight of the year for staff and members of the Publicity Association was undoubtedly the splendid end of year dinner held on the 15th of November on the Outeniqua. 108 members and guests (including several German and British tourists) attended this very special evening organised by Capt Glen Knox and his hard-working crew members. After scrambling up ladders and gangways, visitors were welcomed with a glass (or glasses) of sherry on the flightdeck at sunset. Dinner was served below deck and the chefs excelled themselves.

We were entertained by the first showing of a superb CD Rom on Simon's Town made by the Navy - many spectacular photographs were taken from helicopters. This excellent production will be an invaluable means of promoting Simon's Town. Copies of the CD will be on sale at the Tourism Bureau in the near future.

Dave Hurwitz introduced members to Jeremy Wagner, the new Chairman of Simon's Town Publicity. Jeremy thanked the organisers of this wonderful function. Cherry Dilley, who recently retired as Director of the Simon's Town Museum was sincerely thanked for many years of service on the committee of the Association as representative of the Museum.

The other guest of honour, Mike Wilson was presented with a gift as a tribute to his dedicated service setting up and maintaining the Simonstown.com website. Even a spell at home after major back surgery did not stop Mike from slaving away improving the website.

Thanks are due to Roger Bagshawe for organising the music and most of all we are all grateful to Glen Knox for your most generous hospitality, which included presenting a very special bottle of wine for our raffle. The entire Outeniqua team ensured an unforgettable evening for all those fortunate enough to attend.

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We are looking forward to a busy summer season and tickets for the New Years Party have arrived and will be on sale at the Bureau and ST Museum from the 26th November.

On a more sombre note, we hope to give urgent attention in the New Year to the on-going spate of thefts of credit cards at our local ATM machine. Our members have reported that a number of guests have been robbed. Jeremy Wagner suggests that the newly installed ATM at Quayside Centre be used as there is a full time security guard on duty.

It remains for Beverley Stacey and I to wish all our members a bumper crop of tourists as well as a wonderful Christmas and New Year. Best wishes too to Trevor de Kock and his team whose wonderful video "City Slickers" has been nominated for an Emmy Award as best foreign documentary. Judging will be in the last week of November in New York... Good Luck!

***Sue Sturman***

# N.S.R.I. Station 10 Simon's Town

December 2002

As we move into December it is time for those of us in Sea Rescue to be on our toes ready for any call out around our coast and especially in our area the Western Cape. Many visitors will come here from within our country and from overseas and in the bustle of a busy holiday season things are bound to happen.

Station 10 has already had a foretaste of things to come when on the 3rd of November a call was received from the surf lifesavers at Fish Hoek that two kayaks were in difficulty approximately one mile East of Roman Rocks light house. At 13:40 "Spirit of Freemasonry" was launched with Coxswain Darren Zimmerman at the helm. The kayakers were rescued and their vessels as well. No one was injured but the chaps were very cold. The launch was recovered at 14:25.D Jenkins, B Thebus and A Edwards


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formed the crew.

On Saturday 10 November at about 11:00 three calls occurred within minutes of one another but they all resolved themselves before it was necessary to launch a craft. This was the day of the Station 10 annual pontiakos challenge. "C" crew who were last years winners put out the challenge and organized a magnificent little trophy in the form of a miniature cooking pot mounted on a rough bark plinth. Much fun was had by all dressing in way out outfits and testing the good fare. After some really impartial judging "C" crew ran out great winners for the second year in a row thus claiming their right of place in the trophy plinth.

A call came in on Friday 22 November at 11:11 from False Bay Yacht Club who had contacted the Station Commander Dave Roberts, to go to the assistance of the yacht "Wenderer" which, whilst on passage from Hout Bay to Simon's Town, was dismasted in heavy seas off Cape Point and was reported to be 4 nautical miles south west of Cape Point (a very dangerous place to be in trouble). "Spirit of Freemasonry" launched at 12:05 coxswained by Darrin Zimmerman with Geoff Barchel, Jaco Els and Michael Roberts as crew and headed for the rescue-vous position. The yacht was found ten miles south west of Cape Point with the broken mast still in the water. Waves of 6 to 8 metres were experienced but crew member Jaco Els was able to transfer to the yacht to assist with the recovery of the mast and lashing it down. The tow was passed and towing went well until, at 15:00 the yacht surfed over the tow line and fouled the yacht's prop shaft. The tow line had to be cut and a new tow line was passed so that at 15:27 the tow was continued without further incident until the casualty was brought alongside the yacht club's working jetty at 17:55. The rescue craft was recovered at 18:25. The Station mobile, manned by Lee Adcock and Warren Cornblink had proceeded to Cape Point to assist with communications. "Toine" Cornblink was controller at the base until she was relieved by Karin Cornblink who had no transition and had to walk from Da Gama Park to the boat house to relieve "Toine" who had to go to work. Now that is devotion to duty. All in all a rescue job well done. The four crew members, all Hout Bay residents were unharmed and no doubt grateful for the rescue.

Darrin Zimmerman and Louis Dufresnay, both Station 10 coxswains, are now actively involved in the Skymed Helicopter rescue service where they do duties over and above their local rescue voluntary work. Dave Roberts, Lee Adcock and Paul Alexander are undergoing training with 22 Squadron and will form part of their air/sea rescue teams who will go in the helicopters as voluntary rescue personnel.

Station 10 will once again be beneficiaries of the Hobby cat Long Haul race where they will stand by as safety boats for the event which is held every year by the Fish Hoek Hobby Club.

A sad note crept in in November at the passing away of an old friend of Station 10, namely Keith Bewick formerly of Caltex. Station Commander Dave Roberts attended a function held as a memorial to Keith Bewick. Station 10 is eternally grateful to the Nomads who included the Station in a fund raising Golf Day held at royal Cape Golf Club on the 12th of November. On that occasion raffle tickets were sold with the first prize being air tickets to any destination in the world. The raffle was drawn at the Nomads Race Day at Kenilworth Race Course on the 9th of November. The winner of the first prize was Mrs. S. Marais of Tokai, lucky lady.

As this is the last issue of Shoeklown Drilling for 2002 I would like to inform readers that the annual street collection by the Station 10 Shorelink Committee will take place on the streets of Simon's Town on Saturday the 4th of January 2003. Funds will be collected for Station 10. Please be generous and support a very worthy cause.

People may notice that in Longbeach that

and Sun Valley mall that there are kiddie ride boats which are made to look like N.S.R.I. surf riders. The funds collected from these will go to the N.S.R.I. Hopefully the little ones will enjoy using them.

On behalf of Station 10 members we wish all of you a happy and peaceful Christmas and a safe boating New Year.

***Yours aye, Don Dollery***

## Sea Water Quality

There have been disturbing reports in the local media on the decline of sea-water quality off popular Atlantic and False Bay bathing beaches. Contributing factors include access to toilets, dog faeces, sewage spills, quality of treated waste water, level of cleanliness in streets and public areas, plus the ability of rivers, wetlands and vleis to purify runoff. However, thanks to an ongoing Simon's Bay "Seawatch" programme since 1999, we have no problem. Our Navy and the Yacht Club are highly disciplined and the figures speak for themselves.

In its annual report, the Cape Metropolitan Coastal Water Quality Committee lists levels of bacterial pollution for the whole year under both mandatory and more stringent guideline tests. However, only the latter interest us – and then from October 2001 to March 2002. During this previous summer period, 12 samples from six different sites were examined in our region. No less than 80% of the samples had to contain a maximum of 100 faecal coliforms per 100 ml, and values from 1997 to the present are as follows:

Miller's Point: 8, 12, 30, 4, 4, 2. Fisherman's Beach: 14, 4, 2, 8, <2, 10. Boulders: -, -, -, -, 48, 42. Seaforth: 18, 109+, 17, 110+, 43, 57. Long Beach: 263+, 262+, 14, 15, 48, 53 and Glencairn: 33, 12, 48, 8, 41, 15.

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no values were given for Boulders until 2001, they are excellent and prove that penguins do not pollute the water. But our neighbours had serious problems last summer, with a value of 480 at Fish Hoek and a whopping 4590 at the Silvermine River Mouth. However, False Bay values as a whole compare well with those of member countries in the European Union. If their scientists knew about the low value at Miller's Point, they would turn green with envy. We can therefore relax and enjoy our fabulous beaches this coming holiday period, but let's not forget to take along a UV- blocker!

***Bevan Pank***

## The Top Guns!

Simon's Town is proud to welcome a Top Gun in aerial combat. As recently featured in a National Geographic documentary, even a fighter pilot cannot tolerate the same G-forces in a dive, unless specially equipped and trained. It can sometimes be seen flying at full military power across False Bay to the Glencairn Quarry in search of "bogies". In a vertical dive, it folds its wings like the U.S. Navy's F-14 Tomcat and the North American Falcon's Association has reported speeds of over 500 kph. The world's fastest creature, we know it as the Peregrine Falcon.

Although there are at least 23 breeding pairs on the Cape Peninsula, the Peregrine Falcon is more at home in wide open spaces of the Free State and Scottish moors. It is the same with Southern Africa's 15 eagle species, which are rarely found in our region. So among six other – besides migratory – raptors, we have a better chance of seeing the indigenous black Sparrowhawk – and particularly around Tokai.

This bird was kindly introduced to us last year by Dr. Adrian Lombard of Glencairn at a Glenvlei function. Awesome to behold, it clawed Adrian's gloved hand to cast its piercing eyes with super vision on Jacky Weaver and Councillor Nicki Holderness. They did well not to tease, for it is renowned for speed in level flight and courage in attacking the likes of guinea fowl twice its size.

To see a Sparrowhawk at close quarters is a humbling experience. Unlike most of us, it obeys natural laws and its regal posture can be intimidating. Even more so is the Peregrine Falcon. Unfortunately, this high flier is way above us – leading a simple life riding thermals over Else's Peak and the Simonsberg in search of prey. At least the Sparrowhawk in flight is still worth watching. After all, it is also a Top Gun!

Kindly note that CPNP suggests that this article be followed with more information on the role of raptors and reptiles in our environment. There is a large illegal trade in lizards from the Peninsula smuggled overseas, which affects the food chain up to the Top Guns. But before researching this project, I would appreciate feedback from readers.

***Bevan Pank***
***Science Writer***

## Music at St Francis

On Sunday 22 December at 6pm there will be a traditional Service of Nine Lessons and carols at St Francis Church, Court Road, Simon's Town.
Grant McLachlan will be bringing his Choir, True Voices, to augment the Choir of St Francis, and a local Recorder Group will be playing baroque Christmas music. All those who attended last year will remember the beauty of the Service and we hope that you will come again and will be joined by many others.
We are fortunate to have a very fine organ which has been described as a national treasure. In the New Year we will be inaugurating monthly organ recitals.
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support choral music at St Francis, please join the choir or encourage others to do so. The main qualifications you will need are enthusiasm and dedication. You will receive the necessary training once you join. Our Choir is affiliated to the Society of Church Musicians in South Africa and the Royal School of Church Music. As a choir member you automatically become part of this worldwide fraternity of Church Musicians.

For more details, please contact Juliet Bass on 786 2362.

## Christmas Services at St Francis Church

**Sunday 22 December: 8am** Holy Communion, **9:30am** Holy Communion, **6pm** Traditional Service of Nine Lessons and Carols, with St Francis Choir, augmented by True Voices, a choir directed by Grant McLachlan. **Christmas Eve, Tuesday 24 December: 5:30pm** Crib building service for our children (please bring a gift for the needy), **11pm** Midnight Mass (with the blessing of the Crib and Carols) **Christmas Day, Wednesday 25 December: 8am** Holy Communion and Carols, **9:30am** Holy Communion and Carols

## St Andrew Glen, Glencairn

**Saturday 21 December: 6pm** Holy Communion, **Christmas Day, Wednesday 25 December: 8am** Holy Communion, **Saturday 28 December: 6pm** Holy Communion. Enquiries: Rev Canon Henry Frieslaar 786 3564

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My team of volunteer workers - to whom I say a big thank you - join me in wishing our friendly and generous False Bay residents Christmas blessings. Good health, peace and joy in the new year 2003.

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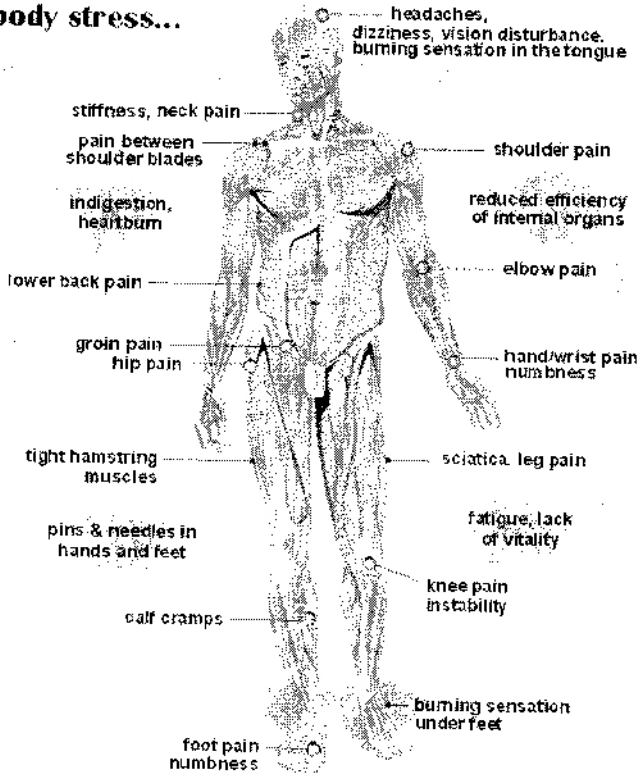


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# Simon's Town Police Service Personnel "At your Service"

Featured this month are:

**Amanda Steenkamp and Inspector Louis Bothma**

**AMANDA STEENKAMP**

Supporting the Police personnel is Amanda Steenkamp who assists on the support side and handles the paperwork regarding fire arm licenses, motor vehicle driving permits, clearance certificates, and other miscellaneous lookups. She has been working in the Simon's Town Police Station for over 12 months now after moving from Durban to this lovely village.

Amanda was born and schooled in Durban and met her husband, Jan who worked in the Durban Dockyard of the S.A.P. and they were married 9 years ago. Jan and Amanda have a beautiful 3 and a half year old daughter who is the apple of their eye. Husband Jan is now a Lieutenant in the S.A. Navy and works on naval projects. He was transferred to Simon's Town and of course Amanda and daughter came too.

She regards Simon's Town as a tranquil place and never wants to leave. She really enjoys her work and loves being part of the everyday life and buzz of the station. Outside her working hours and when family duties permit she likes to roller blade, swim and the occasional read a book and in her quieter moments she finds a good book is a great way to relax.

**INSPECTOR LOUIS BOTHMA**

Louis really enjoys Simon's town and the Police Force and is very glad that he has combined the two. His hobbies of scuba diving and jogging allow him to take full advantage of the great coastline here. A sporting gentleman Louis studied on a part time basis and holds a diploma in Sports Science.

Born in Kimberley, he lived on a small farm just outside Kimberley whilst his father worked at the diamond mine for De Beers. He attended an Agricultural Boarding school in Brits and after completing his education went straight into the National Service in Bloemfontein. "From there straight into the police service." "On Friday I was in the army and on Monday I was in the police force!" He started his police career in Klein River with the Police Riot Unit and stayed with them until 1985 when he moved to Simon's Town.

In 1988 he took a 16 month sabbatical leave went to the UK for a working holiday doing all sorts of part time jobs to cover his expenses. Whilst overseas he also spend eight weeks touring Europe visiting France, Italy, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Holland and the Czech Republic. He liked Czechoslovakia and Switzerland in particular.

Louis does general duties in the Police Service but is mainly responsible for the station. This includes vehicle policing and the "Hospitality Unit. And in case you are wondering what - yes, he is a barman!

# Backnumbers

Due to a constant request for back numbers of this publication it has been decided to make such numbers available on a first come first serve basis. Some of the issues are in very short supply! Phone Fotos on 786-1881. The price per copy is R3 and all go to a worthy welfare cause.

# New Marine Reserve Accommodates Anglers

Angling will still be allowed in the proposed marine reserve, which borders the entire Cape Peninsula coastline from Green Point to Muizenberg.

Once the marine reserve has been finalised, the authorities will have improved control over the illegal removal of marine resources in terms of the Marine Living Resources Act.

"We will be able to employ more people and establish a water unit to monitor skiboats at sea," says Roy Ernstzen, Area Manager for the Cape Peninsula National Park. "The marine reserve would replace the existing marine protected areas established around the peninsula years ago and will include several "no take" areas.

"No marine organisms will be allowed to be removed from these "no take" areas such as angling, spearfishing, removal of shellfish or bait. These areas can then act as nurseries for fish breeding and allow the exploited marine organisms to recover and move into other areas.

"Declaring the remaining areas a marine reserve will mean that we can promulgate specific regulations for these areas as they are needed - for instance we can control the removal of molluscs or impose restrictions on when and how much bait is collected.

We are compiling a management plan at the moment," said Ernstzen.

The regulations in the marine reserve will be promulgated under the Marine Living Resources Act, which is administered by Marine and Coastal Management. The regulations will be enforced and staff of the Cape Peninsula National Park will manage the marine reserve.

"We have advertised 18 positions to assist in managing the existing marine protected areas for the forthcoming recreational season and also have a unit with boats and rubber ducks which will have the capacity to check boats at sea.

According to Ernstzen, a team from UCT is conducting a baseline study of the marine organisms to be monitored in the proposed marine reserve area.

The proposed marine reserve is awaiting final approval by Environmental and Tourism Affairs Minister, Valli Moosa.

***Released on behalf of CPNP Nicky Ravens-Ernstzen, PRO, or Roy Ernstzen, Area Manager, 701-8692***

# A Partnership to Beat the Flames

The devastating fires that swept the southern Peninsula in January 2000 gave added impetus to the establishment of Fire Protection Associations (FPAs), as set out in the National Veld and Forest Fires Act, which aim


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to provide effective fire management on a co-operative basis.

A Cape Peninsula FPA has now been established, and this is another of the many reasons why private landowners within the Cape Peninsula Protected Natural Environment (CPPNE) will derive real benefit from entering an agreement with SANParks to contract their conservation-worthy land into the Cape Peninsula National Park.

CPPNE property owners are by law obliged to undertake fire management, which includes responsibilities such as making fire-breaks and having access to fire-fighting equipment. Membership of the Cape Peninsula FPA will provide the means to meet these responsibilities.

Property owners who contract their land into the CPNP will enjoy automatic membership of the Cape Peninsula FPA and many benefits regarding their fire-fighting responsibilities.

Benefits include annual FPA membership fees funded by the CPNP; assistance with the establishment and maintenance of fire breaks; improved fire surveillance and warning; preferential access to fire-fighting equipment and personnel at reduced costs; and reduced liability from damages claims in the event of a fire spreading.

Private landowners who choose not to contract their land into the CPNP are free to join the Cape Peninsula FPA - membership of a FPA is voluntary, but those declining to join remain responsible for managing the fire risk - but they will have to pay the annual membership fee and the costs of establishing and maintaining fire-breaks.

The Cape Peninsula FPA was established after a series of public meetings and an interim executive committee has been nominated. The chairman is Piet Smit, fire chief of the former Cape Metropolitan Council, and exco members include prominent CPPNE land owners.


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The FPA's Fire Protection Officer is Philip Prins, CPNP's Co-ordinator: Fire Technical Services. "According to the Act, there's a whole procedure we have to go through to register formally with the Minister (of Water Affairs and Forestry), and we're busy completing all the necessary documentation now," says Prins.

A sub-committee has been appointed to make recommendations around a suitable fee structure, and the Working Group appointed after the January 2000 fires to co-ordinate responses will become the FPA's technical committee to make recommendations on issues like cutting fire-belts.

"We're still going through some growing pains, but we've managed to do quite a lot already, and I think we're ahead of the other FPAs," says Prins. "We'll be applying for registration soon - if not by the end of this year, then early next year."

***CPNP"s Parknews Issue 7, October 02***

# Simon's Town Community Police Forum

Yes, it's that time of the year again to wish everybody in our community a safe Happy Christmas and a better next year.

We have now taken ownership of our brand new Opel Corsa with the kindness of Mr Nikki Thorp of Thorp Delta. The first care was well looked after and was handed back in a very good condition. That was the deal.

The STCPF car guards are deployed full time on Jubilee Square, below the Seven Seas Club and at Boulders. The car guards are persons that have been screened by the SAPS and work long hours only for a donation made by you. We now employ twelve people full time from the homeless shelter. Please be generous, it's the only income they have. It is a pleasure to now park on Jubilee Square without being verbally assaulted and sworn at by the previous 'incumbents'.

The public awareness project seems to have been successful and many of our community members are now much better informed and aware. Please remember that as a person living, residing or working in Simon's Town, you are automatically a member of the STCPF and it's free. All we ask is that you attend our once monthly meeting from 5pm approximately 45 minutes on the last Monday of each month.

The meetings take place at the Lord Nelson inn and as the owner happens to be our Secretary, we are offered free snacks when we enjoy a little refreshment after the meeting. Please pop in and give us, your forum, some new ideas.

I would like to congratulate and thank my committee for the hard work and keenness shown throughout the year.

***God Bless you all***
***Blackie Swart***

# The Night Sky

In the December early evening sky Sagittarius will be setting in the west, followed by Capricornus the Sea-goat; Aquarius the Water carrier, and Pisces the Fish; Aries the Ram and Taurus the Bull, made up of the Hyades, a V-shaped constellation containing the eye of the Bull called Aldebaran, and the Pleiades, the Seven Sisters. If the observer has good eyesight, eight stars may be seen - but most people only see five or six of the stars! If binoculars are used, then seven bright stars are visible as well as nineteen 5 or 6 magnitude stars. It will be interesting to hear from readers how many stars they have found in the Pleiades using binoculars.

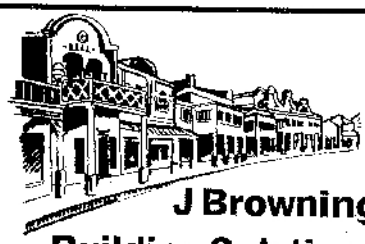
Opposite Taurus on the same longitude of 5 hours, called by astronomers Right Ascension is the dominant Summer constellation of Orion the Huntsman, with his two dogs Canis Major and Canis Minor. Canis Major has the brightest star in the sky, Sirius the

Dog Star. Between the Huntsman and his big Dog is the unfortunately placed Lepus the Hare, but next to him is Eridanus the River in the sky, so there is a chance that Lepus got away!
South of Lepus on the same Longitude or Right ascension of 6 hours, is Columba the Dove and Canopus the very bright southern star just visible above the mountain. For those doing navigation by the stars it is always remembered that Canopus is 4 hours ahead of the Southern Cross. At the same South Latitude called Declination; but 4½ hours ahead of Canopus is Achernar, the harbinger of Spring. This has the same Right Ascension (longitude) as the bright star Hamal in Aries the Ram. In the southern sky Cetus, the Whale, is situated between Pisces the Fish and Aquarius the water Carrier. North of Pisces is the great square of Pegasus the Flying Horse.
Following Taurus on the ecliptic (pathway of the planets) is Gemini the Twins with the bright triple star Castor in the North and the equally bright double star Pollux in the south.
The equator of the galaxy divides the Milky Way between Orion and Gemini, this is at 70° to the Ecliptic and 60° to the equator dividing up the southern sky from the northern section. Sagittarius is at the centre of the galaxy.
An excellent set of simple star charts is published in the Astronomical Handbook for Southern Africa 2003, which is obtainable from the Astronomical Society of Southern Africa, PO Box 9, Observatory, 7925, for the modest sum of R35. Send a cheque to the Business Manager.
At the end of the month on Old Year's Night the bright Sirius is almost overhead at midnight.

To the north of the great square of Pegasus is Andromeda containing two well known galaxies M31 and M33, which may easily be seen using binoculars in the early evening. Orion, which rises in the east in mid November is one of the delights of the Summer and Autumn skies. At the head of Orion there are three stars, followed by the bright reddish Betelgeuse, (the armpit of the giant in Anabic) with Bellatrix opposite. The belt is across the middle of the Huntsman with Rigel and Kappa Orion at his feet Rigel means foot in Arabic. The sword hangs down from the belt. This contains the famous great nebula of Orion.

Betelgeuse is a red giant 190 light years away, but so large that if it was placed where our Sun is, it would displace all the planets as far out and including Mars 220 million kilometres away, so it has a diameter of over 440 million km, or nearly 300 million miles. The diameter of our Sun is 864 000 miles.

Rigel, the foot, is 540 light years away and is one of the most luminous stars in the sky, and is brighter than Betelgeuse. Why it is called Beta Orionis instead of Alpha is a mystery which has never been explained to me. Orion is best viewed by facing north. As the Huntsman is upside down, his head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is nearest. The top star, Rigel, is in the top left-hand corner; Betelgeuse is in the bottom right. The great nebula is a wonderful sight using strong binoculars or a telescope – as the stars which form the constellation are being made and the reddish tint of the gas around is evident if they are observed for some time.

### The Planets

Mercury, magnitude -0.7, is visible as an evening planet from the 17th.

Venus, magnitude -4.6, is a morning planet. Greatest brilliancy is on the 2nd. On the 1st it is 8° south of the Moon and on the 30th 2° north of the Moon.

Mars, magnitude +1.7, is a morning planet that passes from Virgo into Libra in mid-December. On the 1st it is 5° south of the Moon and on the 30th 1° south of the Moon.

Jupiter, magnitude -2.5, is a morning planet and passes from Leo into Cancer in mid-December. On the 23rd it is 1° south of the Moon.

Saturn, magnitude 0.4, is an evening planet with Mercury.

Uranus, magnitude +5.8, is an evening planet and will be found in Capricorn as a blue star. On the 9th it is 5° north of the Moon.

Neptune, magnitude +7.9, is an evening planet in Ophiuchus near Rasalhague. On the 8th it is 5° north of the Moon.

Pluto, magnitude +13.9, is only visible using a large telescope. It is in conjunction with the Sun on the 9th.

### The Moon

New Moon is on the 4th, First Quarter is on the 11th, Full Moon is on the 19th, Last Quarter is on the 26th.

The Moon is at Apogee on the 14th and at Perigee on the 2nd and the 30th. Shortest is on the 4th or 5th.

### The Sun

Sunrise on the 1st is at 04h29 and Sunset at 19h15. Sunrise on the 31st is at 05h03

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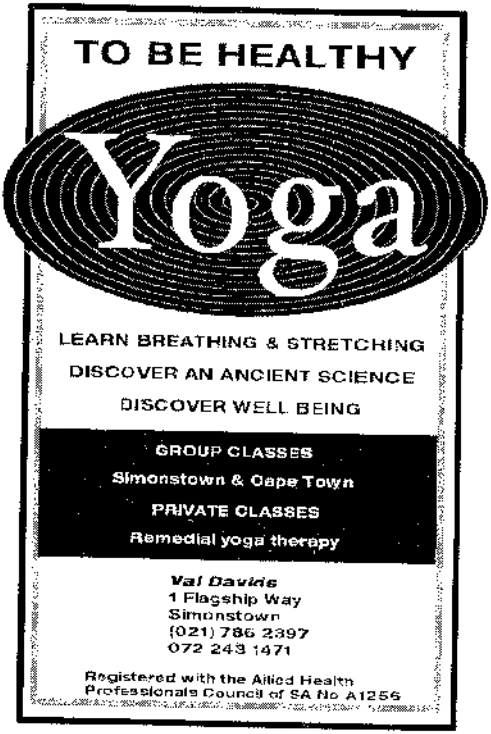
and Sunset at 19hr57.
There is the Summer Solstice on the 22nd when the Sun is on the tropic of Capricorn and on the 23rd it starts moving northwards towards the tropic of Cancer. The Earth will be closest to the Sun on the 2nd of January at approximately 147 million km.
The eclipse of the Sun takes place on the 4th December. The eclipse begins here at the Cape at 07hr32 and ends at 09hr33. About 50% of the Sun will be covered here at mideclipse.
Eyes must be protected by all those wishing to see the eclipse by using number 14 Welder's glass or special aluminised polyester filter, or special sun filter glasses. **Not sunglasses!** As the Sun will only be 50% covered here it is very necessary to use only the correct filters. Photographic film is not suitable.

**Meteor Showers**
The Taurid showers in November were a disappointment, however, for December we have the Geminids on the 14th from 23hr00 and the Velids on the 29th from 22hr30.

**Comets**
I was told about Comet Ikeya-Zhang after the November notes were written: it was not very bright and was only visible in the head of the Scorpion at Sunset, which made it almost invisible - as only the tail of the Scorpion was clearly visible when it became dark. A disappointment.
Two other comets were mentioned C/2000 WM1 and Comet C/2001 A2. Unfortunately no magnitude or RA or Dec were given. Names without the co-ordinates are useless.

***Peter I van Blommestein***



## ST Seniors Computer Club

**News and Donations to Simons Town High School** - At a well attended Annual General Meeting of the Simons Town Seniors Computer Club held at the Simons Town Museum on 18 October, the President, Don Butcher was pleased to report that the club had enjoyed a very successful year with regard both to new members and to training carried out during the year. Total membership now stands at 186, an increase of some 40% compared with the number last year. Since the last AGM the club has carried out a variety of courses ranging from Beginners Classes, Intermediate, Word, Excel and Outlook Express or E-mail. These have been conducted both by the head of the school's IT department, Mr Andre Erasmus and more frequently, on a voluntary basis, by members of the club's committee.

As ever the club is indebted to Simons Town High School for allowing members to use the excellent facilities at its Computer Centre during the school term, after hours. Recently these facilities have been much improved by the introduction of a new Computer Centre with an increased number of PCs and the installation of a state of the art overhead projector that allows the instruc-

for to demonstrate on a large screen the knowledge that he or she is imparting to the class. As a token of appreciation by the club to the school the President was delighted to present to the Headmaster, Mr Llewellyn Florentino, a cheque for **R13,500** towards the cost of this new projector. The Headmaster thanked Don Butcher and the STSCC on behalf of the school and pupils for enabling the school to purchase this new piece of equipment that would be of considerable benefit to the schoolteachers as a teaching aid, as well as to the STSCC. At a subsequent meeting following the AGM, the club committee were also pleased to agree a further donation to the Simons Town High School of **R1000** towards the school's Hostel Fire Fund raised in order to assist some of the boarders who had lost many of their personal effects and possessions in the recent fire in the school's hostel.

Following the AGM members enjoyed drinks and snacks at the second such a social occasion held this year in pursuance of one of the main aims of the STSCC in promoting a social interchange amongst members to share experiences and problems relating to the use of this modern form of technology – the personal computer. More emphasis would be placed on this aspect of the club in the coming year, including guest speakers on subjects relating to computers. A new training schedule of courses is also being planned for 2005, beginning in the new school year in January. It is hoped that this schedule will not only include the present courses but also introduce new courses such as Genealogy, Scanners, Digital Cameras, Access and Power Point. New members are very much encouraged for both the social and training aspects of the STSCC. Annual membership is R40 per year and the cost of the courses varies but is normally R20 or R30 per session. Anyone interested should contact either Don Butcher (President) on 786 5971, Alan Grose (Vice President) on 786 1023 or Jane Pollad (Membership Secretary) on 786 1766.

**Alan Grose**

# CRIME REPORT

## Simon's Town SAPS

***Crime Update:*** In line with the Service Delivery Improvement Plan (SDIP) this precinct's key crimes are: burglary (residential), theft out of motor vehicle, theft of motor vehicle and marine related offences. There has been a negligent increase in burglary (residential) and theft of motor vehicle, whilst a dramatic decrease in theft out of motor vehicle has occurred. In order to combat burglary (res) and theft of motor vehicles regular road blocks in conjunction with the SA Navy and SPM Traffic Department will be held in the near future. The first road block was held on Tuesday 12 November in Glencairn. ± 2 400 Motor vehicles were stopped, 38 traffic tickets issued and 8 vehicles searched. The general reaction from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the residents and visitors to Simon's Town was one of appreciation.

On Sunday 3 November a middle aged Glencairn couple were robbed by 2 black men armed with a screwdriver and a knife. They were tied up and left in their bathroom. Their Mazda 323 motor vehicle and television set were stolen. The suspects are believed to be in their late twenties. The investigating officer is **D/Insp Fouché 021 782 6333.**

On Tuesday 5 November at ± 9:30pm a would-be car thief was apprehended in Glencairn Heights by the vehicle's owner.

***Project Stella Maris (the car guards)*** is still having a tremendous impact upon theft out of motor vehicle and at this juncture Simon's Town Police wish to thank the guards for their sterling efforts.

***Project Sabena (anti-rape)*** classes have finally ended for this year due to operations being planned for the festive season. The last class was held on Friday 8 November at the St Kirian's Church in Fish Hoek as part of an upliftment project for underprivileged girls in Ocean View. To the capable ladies, Simon's Town SAPS wishes you every success for the future.

***Project Don Bosco (the Good Scholar Project):*** On Tuesday 5 November Insp Store attended the Annual Senior High School prize giving of Simon's Town School. On Wednesday 6 November Insp Store handed out prizes and certificates for the junior and senior primary scholars of Simon's Town School. A number of scholars, remembering Insp Store's lecture in September, actually reported that they have taken to reading their dictionaries to improve their vocabularies as well as polishing their shoes and paying attention to the neatness of their uniforms. To these boys and girls: "Keep it up!! It is a small beginning but remember a journey of a thousand kilometres starts with one step!"

***Simon's Town Neighbourhood Watch:*** The last meeting for the year was held on Tuesday 12 November. The next meeting will take place on **Tuesday 14 January 2003 at 5pm at the Lord Nelson Inn** conference room. A request from the Watch is that residents have their fire hydrants checked and repaired if found faulty, as we are now entering our "dry season". The Simon's Town Fire-brigade may be contacted in this regard on 786-1551.

On a sadder note it is with regret that we announce the untimely passing of **D/Insp Paul Jaun**, stationed at Simon's Town in the 1980's and stationed in Mowbray at the time of his death at age 41 on Monday 11 November.

To Insp Nic Spreeth we offer our sympathy as his brother "Boetie" (a Municipal Policeman who used to work as a traffic officer in Simon's Town) was seriously injured in a motor vehicle accident in Villiersdorp earlier

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this month.
In closing the Simon's Town Police wish to thank **Mr Nicky Thorp of Thorp Delta** for the replacement of the donation vehicle. The new vehicle will be a great asset to the Simon's Town community.
*The management and staff of the Simon's Town SAPS wish all residents a happy and joyous Christmas!*

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## New Year's Eve Function

The Annual New Year's Eve Party on Jubilee Square,31st December 19h00 to 02h00 on the 1st January 2003.

- 11h00: The Square will be closed for parking so that tables and chairs can be put out.
- 19h00: The Main Road (St Georges Street) will be closed to traffic from Wharf Street to King George Way. Traffic will be deviated over Runciman Drive.
- 19h00: The party will commence continuing until 02h00. Seating, food stalls, bars and toilets will be on the Square. Dancing in the Road.
- Security by SA Police Service and Car Guards will be on duty at Cole Point parking area.
- Medical and Other Emergencies: NSRI Station 10 Rapid Response Vehicle with Cape Medical Response, the Voluntary Ambulance Service and the Fire Department on standby. The Sailors and Soldiers Rest Room as a safe house.
- Tickets: R40 for adults and R20 for children under 12 years of age are available from Simon's Town Museum, Simon's Town Publicity Association on Jubilee Square on the 31st December and at the ticket kiosks on the night.
- Seating: Tables and chairs will be laid out on the Square and you are welcome to arrive earlier than 19h00 to reserve your table.

The Committee wishes all a safe and prosperous New Year!

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# Tide Table - December 2002

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# SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD 19

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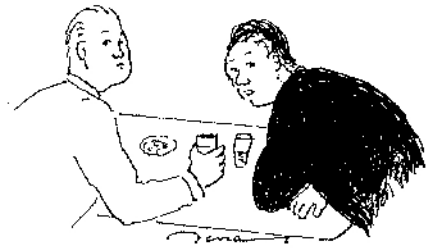
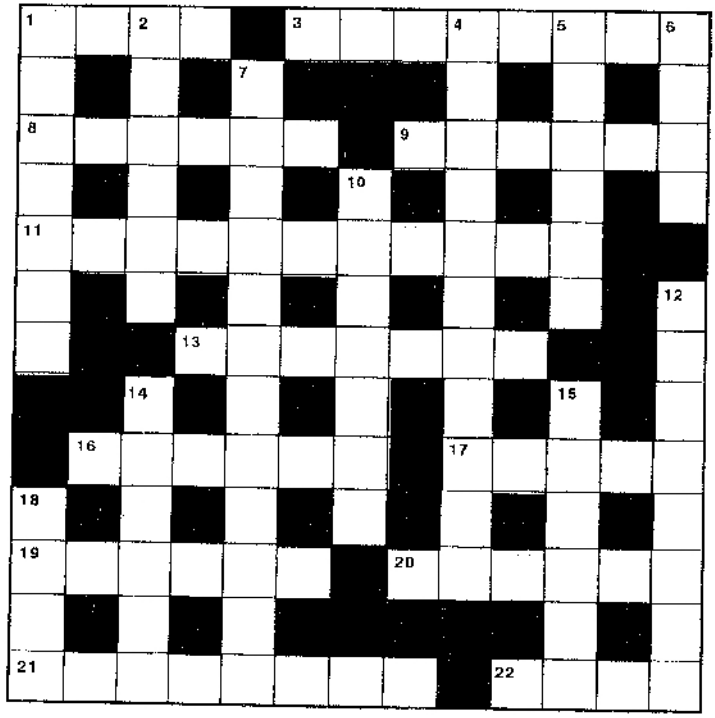


"Oh, Cape Town was Old Capetown
when Jo'burg was a pup,
And Cape Town will be Cape Town still
When Jo'burg's busted up."

"Oh, Cape Town is old Cape Town,"
The man from Jo'burg said,
"And Cape Town will be Cape Town still,
No stiller when it's dead."

Said Ms Ozinsky, "Not so fast!
Surely, sir you speak in jest?
Fairest Cape Town is at last
Of all great cities voted Best."

# CROSSWORD PUZZLE 20



**CLUES ACROSS**

1 Harbour left to a sailor (4)
3 It's mad to pull these at Christmas (8)
8 Highly decorated member of the British fleet follows nothing before ordering tea (6)
9 Heavenly messenger, a girl (6)
11 First lady of 2003? (3,5,3)
13 The Way in Glencairn recovers a chap? (7)
16 The property of poorly set tea? (6)
17 Kingdom of a genuine thousand (5)
19 Endures streams (6)
20 I am nothing, General; just a girl (5)
21 Tree fellow is a Dignitary - like our Nikki (8)
22 You can find it to say "No" in your golden years (4)

**CLUES DOWN**

1 Hope possibly nothing can buoy up a bar in our town (7)
2 About the tidings - it refreshes (6)
4 Birmingham follows an Italian town (or a unit of light) in making a lampstand (11)
5 Smoothed equally the editor (6)
6 Chums standing up for a Snoektown committee (4)
7 Tart Secretary / Chairman of 6 (12)
10 Boasted of support for a horse attached to the editor (7)
12 Swine might be interrupted by article for Scottish 11 (8)
14 A close all-American singing family is also close in Bay View Heights (6)
15 Bracelet made out of a bachelor fish (6)
18 Two sailors back-to-back can form a singing group (4)

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# Forthcoming Events November 2002

**NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY:** Jubilee Square, 7pm to 2am, adults R40, 6-12 years R20 and under 6 years free. Tickets available at Simon's Town Publicity Association Bureau and Simon's Town Museum.

**ANCHOR PLAYERS CINDERELLA PANTOMIME:** At Simonsberg Theatre, West Dockyard, Simon's Town. Dates are 19, 20 and 21 December; Thursdays and Fridays at 8:15pm, Saturdays at 2:15 & 6:15pm. Evenings R30, under 12 R25. Matinees R25, under 12 R20. To book call 785-2466.

**THE NUTCRACKER:** Cape Town City Ballet presents The Nutcracker, with Tracy Li on Sunday 15 December at 3pm at the Artscape Theatre Opera House. This is a fundraising event in aid of the Fountain Retreat Centre for AIDS orphans. Tickets R80 (incl snacks etc). To book: Fiona 786-2899 or Mike 0733 077 033.

**TOY COLLECTORS FAIR:** Hosted by the Cape Model & Toy Club on Monday 16 December from 9:30am - 2:30pm at Warrior Toy Museum, St Georges St, Simon's Town. Free entry, collectable toys for sale, all welcome. For more info call 021 689 6083.

**PENSIONERS' FREE MONTHLY SHOPPING BUS:** To Pick n' Pay Longbeach Mall and Sun Valley. From Murdoch Valley (Ixia Crescent terminus) via Simon's Town and Fish Hoek and return. Next trip Thursday 05 December 2002. For times and pick up points please phone 021 786 3137.

**FRIENDS OF SIMON'S TOWN COASTLINE: END OF YEAR SOCIAL** Simon's Town Museum, Friday 6 December at 6:30pm. R25 per head, snacks from HomeBake, wine, prizes, an illustrated talk by Nicholas Schofield (historian, story teller of Africa, and new Boulders resident) entitled "Kilimanjaro and Ngoro Ngoro - 2 sides of the same cone". Tickets available from Dorothy at the Link Pharmacy or from the nearest committee member.

**SUNDAY 9 DECEMBER AT 9:30AM:** We will be having a short alien vegetation hack to finalise our work in this area and will then take some time to look at the progress of indigenous shrubs planted previously, and also identify some other coastal shrubs. For those who prefer it, there will also be swimming at the nearby beaches. Meet at Links Crescent (off Bellevue Road next to Golf Course). For more info call 786-3890.

**CAROLS ON THE SQUARE:** Join St Luke's Hospice & South African Navy Band for Carols on the Square at Jubilee Square on Saturday 14 December at 6pm. Silver collection, for more info call 782-5187 or 083 923 7086.

**ARTSCAPE'S FESTIVE SEASON PRODUCTIONS & EVENTS**
***3 - 5 Dec:*** Buckingham Palace, District Six - The Musical - Musical devised, written and performed by Garlandale High School in the Artscape Theatre. ***4 - 8 Dec:*** Student Concert - Jazzart Dance Joint presents a striking variety of contemporary dance styles in Artscape Arena. ***5 - 7 Dec:*** Rodin and A suite of Miniature Ballets - First-ever South African tour by the St Petersburg State Academic Ballet in the Artscape Opera House. ***6 - 7 Dec:*** Coenie en Lucas se Kerskous - Two of South Africa's contemporary Afrikaans music titans join forces in a special Christmas concert in the Artscape Theatre. ***8 Dec:*** Friends of cape Town Opera Awards Evening - Opera entertainment featuring solos and ensembles from various operas followed by awards in the Artscape Opera House. ***9 - 21 Dec:*** The Frog Prince - a special festive production for children and the young at heart in the Artscape Chandelier Foyer. ***10 Dec:*** Twilight Run - participants in outrageous costumes participate in this 5km fun run starting in the Artscape Founder's Garden. ***10 - 21 Dec:*** Casper de Vries "Die" Hits: Popular cabaret/comedy sketches from previous productions with strong adult content in the Artscape Theatre. ***12 Dec:*** Opera Christmas Concert - Cape Town Opera hosts a joyful programme of Christmas carols, spirituals in the Artscape Chandelier Foyer. ***13 - 31 Dec:*** The Nutcracker - A classical ballet with its distinctly Russian flavour in the Artscape Opera House. ***14 Dec:*** SA Children's Home Concert - Jazz variety concert to raise funds for the SA Children's Home in the Artscape Founder's Garden. ***21 - 21 Dec:*** The Inner City Outdoor Summer Dance Festival - A rave party with six dance areas and more than 50 DJs in the Artscape Founders Garden. ***27 Dec - 22 Feb:*** African Footprint - Internationally acclaimed indigenous Afro-fusion extravaganza in the Artscape Theatre. ***6 Jan - 8 Mar:*** Collaborations - Mini drama festival for new South African works from the Western Cape, KwaZulu-Natal and Gauteng in the Artscape Arena. ***17 Jan - 22 Feb:*** Two Gentlemen from Verona - Open air Shakespearean Drama at the Maynardville Open Air Theatre.
**For more info call Michael Maas on 021 410 9921**

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