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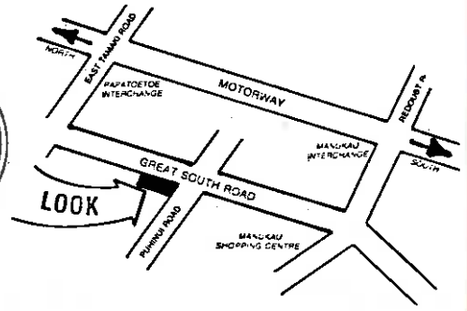

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To complete Lawrie's collection of records from NZ Section IPA's inauguration up until the present time, PLEASE could someone come up with a copy of Vol 4 No 4 of the Journal and a copy of the Minutes of the inaugural meeting of NZ IPA held in the Aster Hotel all those years ago (1966).



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Hello, everybody

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Two journalist's aphorisms should be kept in mind: Prompt copy delights subeditors, and Brighter writing, tighter subbing.

The first allows the Editor to work quietly and produce a better, more readable story. The second gives the reader better raw material that is polished by editing. The end result will be a much improved Journal that will please readers here and make an impact overseas, a Journal we all will be proud of. I am sure we can do it!

We have a new Government and a new Minister of Police. It is an old dogma that Governments change but the essential services continue. Nevertheless, the essential services are affected by the political and social philosophy of the party in power for the time being.

Exactly how the Police Department will be affected is still unknown, but it may be expected from the other portfolios held by our Minister that there will be a closer rapprochmente with community services and social attitudes. Yet this change is likely to be one of emphasis rather than any drastic upheaval. The Police in New Zealand have always served the community, the general public, and not any particular faction of it.

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Re: "The 'New-look' of the Swedish Police-vehicles"
Dear IPA-Friends and colleagues,

Since 1958 the patrol-cars in the Swedish Police Force has been painted black and white. In the beginning these vehicles mainly appeared in the so called State Police.

In 1965 when the Swedish Police Force was nationalised, black and white vehicles were introduced in all Police Forces in Sweden.

This year — 1984 — the well known black-and-white vehicles will be replaced and a "new-look" has been introduced by the National Board of the Swedish Police Force.

Completely white cars, with a blue-yellow-black stripe from the front to the rear and on each side of the car — the police emblem and the word "Polis" together with the name of the local Police Force, will replace the old ones.

During the spring and summer 1984 these new vehicles will be delivered to all the local Forces and within the next four years all 1400 patrol-cars which are in use today will appear in this new look.

These new patrol-cars will be much cheaper for the Swedish Police Authorities. The de-moblizing of a patrol-car is very costly and the repainting of a car is very expensive. In this new appearance it will save 6000 SCr for each car as it is only to remove the stripes from the car.

This information and pictures I enclose could be published in your IPA-Magazine and I do believe that they could be of some interest to the members in your country.

Roy Goransson
Member of the editorial staff
of the Swedish IPA-Magazine

Dear Editor,

I would be grateful if, through the medium of the IPA magazine, you could give publicity to the latest checklist produced by our Society. The details are as follows:

COPS Checklist No 3 — 'Other' Law Enforcement Related Subjects, on Stamps. Issued by COPS (Constabulary and Other Philatelic Society), June 1984. Cost — UK — 1.50 pounds, Overseas Airmail — 2.00 pounds. Both prices include postage and packing.

This is a thirteen page checklist covering Anti-Drug Campaigns, Custom Service, Law Courts, Prisoners & Prisons, on stamps. This completes the subjects covered by COPS.

Checklist No 1 — Police on Stamps (UK — 1.75 pounds, Overseas — 2.25 pounds)

Checklist No 2 — Road Safety & Traffic Control on Stamps (UK — 1.25 pounds, Overseas — 1.50 pounds)

Any of these checklists are available from the Secretary:

Mrs Joan Burgess, 16 Mistover Close, Dorchester, Dorset. DT1 2EQ, England.

Cash with order and all payments in British currency, please. Cheques to be made out to COPS.

COPS is an International society with members in a total of thirteen countries, including New Zealand. Any further information regarding the Society and or membership can be obtained from the Secretary.

Yours sincerely,
Joan Burgess
Secretary



In a letter received by Cam Miles from friends touring the USA we hear that quite a lot of the Police and Fire Brigades in the smaller towns have joined together and they do both jobs. It seems there is a lot of controversy over it — whether it reduces crime, however, is open to question. We also hear there is another windy place (apart from Wellington) — Mt Washington and it must be the windiest place on earth with gusts up to 420 kph. Makes Wellington look CALM. The final note in the letter goes something like although things are ridiculously cheap in New Hampshire, Cam's friends agree that New Zealand is the place to live. They say they don't think anybody appreciates it until they leave and see some of the rest of the world.
Thanks Cam

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At the same time, the city of Helsingborg will be commemorating its 9th centenary.

In combination with the anniversary, a "police week" comprising various activities will be organised.

The committee in charge of these various activities would be grateful if those wishing to participate, would send in a written preliminary application as soon as possible.

When the program has been decided upon, Region 1 will send it out together with all complementary information about the various activities.

Please send your written application to: International Police Association, Region 1, Sture Jangered, Blaregnsgrand 6, S-230 40 Bara, Sweden.

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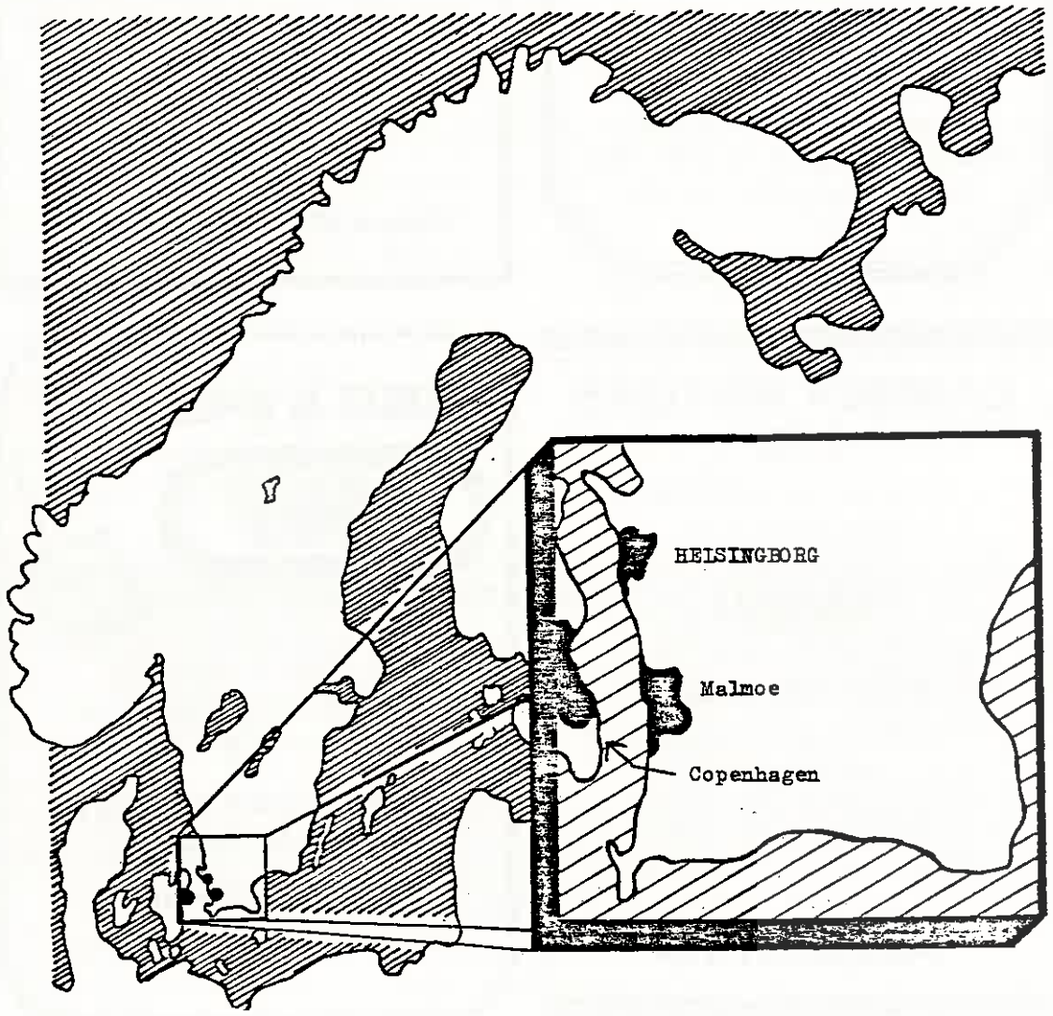

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As all members are probably aware, the payment of your annual subscriptions by way of 40 cents per pay through the Police and Families Credit Union is now a reality and took effect from 1st January, 1984.

Elsewhere in this magazine is an explanation of the problems which have been encountered concerning this matter and I would sincerely ask that you read that article very carefully indeed and take the proper action promptly if it affects you.

I can only reiterate what I have already said before that the payment of annual subscriptions through the Police and Families Credit Union will ensure the future financial viability of our organisation. I therefore urge you all to give this matter your urgent attention.

The New Zealand Section will once again take part in the Super Sport Lottery in early September of this year. Arrangements have been made to supply a prize for display purposes by the Organisers to Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch. It is intended that the prize supplied be displayed in a large shopping mall or similar in those centres with the intention that a greater proportion of tickets in the Super Sport Lottery will be sold by our members. The Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch regions will this year receive an allocation of 2700 tickets per region. I am assured that with the supply of a prize for display purposes that those regions will sell their allocation of tickets within a week without any difficulty at all. The remaining regions will receive a similar allocation of tickets to that which they have received in the past. Local regional committees have been asked to properly organise the sale of tickets in their areas this year. If we are to make the 1986 Friendship Week a success we are required to have in excess of $40,000 in funds. At the present time we have raised only $13,000 and the Friendship Week is only two years away.

In September we have the potential to raise in excess of $32,000 and I cannot emphasise enough the importance of all our members getting behind this fundraising drive.

We cannot properly run the 1986 Friendship Week without the necessary funds and need your help to do so.

B.K. Walkinshaw
National President



Our president, Brian Walkinson with Australian president, Val Doherty and PFAV, IEC delegate, Adelaide at IPA AGM 1984



NEC members Australian visitors Val Doherty, Elke Pfau with NZ Police Commissioner Mr K. O. Thompson



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Well, first things first, this old "mut" was involved in one thing after another when the last quarterly report was due and as such, no report — sorry. However here are the facts:

Your local Committee organised (mainly Graham Muggeridge) a great night's entertainment at the RNZAF Sergeants' Mess at Whenuapai on 18 August — sorry to say that there were not enough members present. Another is on the cards for the near future — so make a point of attending.



Speaking of attending, it amazes me (at least) that so few of the Region's members bother to attend the AGM. Again held in the Police Mess (the old 8th floor Bar) and again a Prize — a free air trip on offer to one of the lucky members who attended. And guess what? The winner was that old mate of mine, Peter Nisbet. So it's off to Sydney for him and wife Val . . . Free trip says Pete . . . "it's cost me the earth". Many thanks to Daryl Shields and 'Go Pacific' and 'British Airways' for the prize!!!

Still on functions, the new Police Bar is now open on the ground floor at Central. What a pleasant change. The idea has been suggested of an IPA Corner being established in one part of the premises, and as they are so large it makes sense. I think its a good idea for old dogs (and dogesses) — what do you think? Why not let your local Committee members know your thoughts on this aspect.

Now then persons overseas. We must not forget Greg and Mona McManus, who are now about half way through their World Tour. They are at present in Mother Ireland — and by all accounts really enjoying themselves. Greg is attending the IPA International Meeting in Aberdeen in August and no doubt will be hammering for numerous IPA visitors to come to our Region — in 1986.

Poor Nora Crawford who should have been off on holiday herself, had a nasty fall a while ago and is still not the best (saw her at the AGM). We hope to see you taking off around the world again in the near future, Nora . . .

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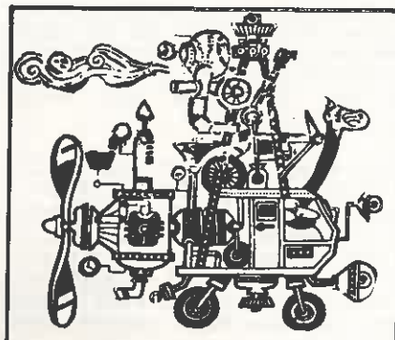

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Visitors to the region . . . Mr and Mrs Bill and Ana McIntyre from the Royal Hong Kong Police (see photo attached) called a couple of months ago and were entertained by Trevor Cook. Chris Pollard of the Zimbabwe Republic Police has also been Town and Around over the past couple of months and received assistance from both IPA and BSAP Assn members throughout the Region.

Well folks that's about your lot for now, all the best.

HUTT VALLEY

R. B. (Bob) Fleming,
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We were saddened to hear of the recent death of Molly Measor's Dad. He was Denny Edwards known to lots in the police as a Justice of the Peace and also because he worked as a civilian in the Public Service at Police National Headquarters until his retirement. Please accept our sympathies, Molly.

We now have our Division Commander back from 3 months overseas. Mr and Mrs McGuire went to England to attend their daughter's wedding. They travelled via South East Asia and returned via the USA staying a few days with a mutual friend in Lower Hutt's sister city Tempe, Arizona. It was summer there and well over 100 degrees fahrenheit which is very hot in any language. Virtually at the same time we have lost Chief Inspector Kevin Egan who has been seconded to what was known as the Gilbert and Ellice Islands (now Kiribati). Mr Egan will be the Commissioner of Police there until his retirement in October/November. Sorry to lose you, sir, but enjoy yourself in the tropics! Brian Courtney and his wife are back from their jaunt around the West Coast of the United States which included a rest period in Hawaii on the way home. (I think that was to count his money after their stay in Las Vegas.) Those damned one-armed-bandits are addictive aren't they, Brian?

I have an unusual notice of an overseas trip in progress at the moment. It is from Dennis Belaney, a Security Officer with Armourguard. Dennis served for 26 years with what is now the Humberside Police (Hull) in Yorkshire until his retirement in 1976 when he migrated from the UK to New Zealand. Dennis was a member of the IPA in England but resigned on his retirement however,he re-joined the NZIPA as a retired member of the Police. He has left for a 6 week trip to the UK and intends taking in his old 'patch' as well as Devon and Cornwall and a week in NSW, Australia, on his way home. Enjoy your holiday in 'Blighty', Dennis. You should be about back in En Zed by the time this goes to press.

We welcome two new members in the Hutt Valley; Judith Roessink, welcome to our Association, Judith, and also to Alan Pearce, who is soon off on LWOP for a tour of the United States. Bon Voyage, Alan, and enjoy your trip. I know you will. Karen Goggin has re-joined the Police at Lower Hutt, let's hope you re-join the IPA, Karen.

My wife and I thoroughly enjoyed our month in Perth, WA. What a beautiful city and friendly people.

Our Secretary General's son and family have been transferred to New York, USA, with his firm recently, which would indicate Lawrie and Mrs P. doing a trip to the eastern seaboard of the US in the near future. That is Region 10 of the US Section of the IPA where they (Region 10) should hear more about the New Zealand Section from our Secretary General. Of course that works both ways. We in turn will learn more about Region 10 — US Section from our Secretary General on his return!

Congratulations to Nigel Escott on his promotion to Sergeant and transfer to Wellington.

Most staff were involved recently on "Operation ANZUS 1984" in Wellington, including 'yours truly'. This involved mainly Security, and a lot of this thing called "Reserve". On completion of the operation, I discovered that I now have an air conditioned helmet. Some clown stole the Knob from the top. Thank God the Clothing Store is in Wellington and they very kindly came to the rescue with a replacement knob and I hope the one you nicked drops off in the middle of a down-pour of rain and hail.

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Regards,
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Brian Kerr has resigned to take up position with Social Welfare in Blenheim.

Barry and Barbara Dobson have returned from Club Med, Noumea and are now busy with renovations. Ever one for making money, Dobbie has sold all 7 pups his labrador bitch had while he was away. It nearly paid for the honeymoon!

Trevor and Mary Clayton have arrived from Murapara, deep in the backblocks of the Bay of Plenty, and Mark and Suzanne Southee also ex-Murapara, but coming here from Rotorua on promotion (Sergeant) have also arrived. Welcome!

Robbie and Isabelle Robinson will probably be gone by the time you read this. They're leaving to run a motel on the Taupo lakeside. Robbie will be missed, but we hope he does well in his new venture. It was unfortunate that Robbie suffered a serious leg injury some months ago while training for marathons and thus lost any chance of furthering a bright looking Police career. Good luck, Robbie!!

Another to move on will be our Senior Sergeant, Noel Wynne. He's off to Headquarters on promotion to Inspector. Somehow we can't picture Noel resplendent in an Inspector's uniform, but I'm sure he'll do very well. We wish him all the best in this big step upwards in his career.

Steve Barrett has returned from Wellington but this time as a Detective Constable. He's as keen as ever and will fit in well.

Both Ron Fredericksen and Bob Hooker are on leave building their respective homes, with Ron really looking the part; (he looks like a scruffy builder's labourer).

Other staff changes are Al Gyde who is moving on to Nelson in a short time and we have welcomed Shaun Cooney to Featherston from Dunedin. He has moved to one of the windiest spots in the country, but has settled in well.

On the sporting scene we are looking forward to the postponed seven-a-side in Palmerston North in September. Our team always has a good trip over "the track" even if we don't do too well on the field.

Here's a story I must tell you, and it's true:

Two of the local lads, Dennis Bartlett and 'Wojo' Burr were sent out to Gladstone, a small farming community about 12 miles from Masterton, as an old Maori lady had not been seen for a couple of days. She lived alone in a large old house, and the neighbours were concerned. They had knocked on the door repeatedly with no joy.

Our two brave lads go out there and being a bit concerned, broke a window to gain entry. They went into the house followed by these curious elderly Maoris who were very superstitious.

Inside the dark old house they found a large number of photographs of Maori persons who had since died, and this apparently "fair put the wind up" the Maori elders who were with our brave boys. They were upset enough to flee the house, without waiting to see what had happened to the old lady.

Obviously their fear was contagious, because a few minutes later, the lights started to flicker on and off, with no-one touching the switches. The two 'brave' boys' feet nearly didn't touch the floor as they fled the house and sought the safety of the patrol car.

They drove off down the road, feeling a bit sheepish when they came across a Power Board gang doing repairs to the area's power lines. Two VERY embarrassed policemen drove back to town!!! And the old lady? She was staying with friends.

Regards from the Wairarapa
Mark O'Donnell

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Hamilton



Well it's another scribes nightmare and nothing much in the news line.

Murray Bardsley has just returned from a big trip overseas and has enjoyed the sights through the Continent. Frank and Viv Smith had a wonderful trip to Japan, Hong Kong, Bangkok and Singapore. The only trouble they had, was trying to get through customs with all their goodies.

Your scribe has had a rather eventful trip into China but I do intend to write on the subject later. As you may know, Nora Crawford was arranging the trip for this novice traveller and then unfortunately she met with an accident a few days before we flew out. Consequently I had to travel alone and that was the start of many incidents which now I can remember with humour!! Definitely not funny at the time and I wished I was back home in New Zealand.

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However, made it through the trip and did meet many super people. No regrets on the trip except I really missed Nora's company and of course travel experience.

I know all of the region will wish Nora a speedy recovery and hope that her clipped wings, are only temporary.

Met Kelvin Kau in Singapore. Some of you may have met him, when he came to New Zealand as a Police Cadet. He is now a trainee Investigation Officer which is somewhat similar to a Detective Constable. Really enjoying his new role and has plans to come back to our country early next year.

John Hogan, ex Otahuhu Police and now a Detective Inspector (Narcotics), in Hong Kong wished to pass on his regards. Don't think I would fancy his job, as nothing is measured in grams. If anyone is going to Hong Kong, a visit to the Narcotics Bureau is well worth a look. Amazing hiding places some Orientals have devised!

Also best regards are to be passed on from Morgan Majurey and John MacDonald. Morgan is in Management Services and John is O/c Marine Division, Hong Kong Police.

Well folks, that is about all from our region.

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Well 'Snifter' has let me down this time. No news to report at all. Said he can't conjure up anything at all but look for better things in the next issue.

So to Rotorua

(See attached report.)

Thanks Evan

Well thats it for another Regional Roar report. Just a reminder to our readers, please write to me with any titbits of info, as it is rather hard to gather items and members are interested in this portion of the journal.

OK till next time,

Regards to all,

Marilyn Stobie

Hi From Rotorua . . .

Firstly . . . words out . . . Basil has arrived. Even if the patrol could not meet him at the airport when he arrived from the Police College at least we got him into our fresh city.

Graeme McColl has settled in and changed his garage to a gymnasium with heaps of local kids weight training for the sporting commitments — athletics.

Transfers in are, Mike Dingwall and Nick Milsum and Basil Johnston.

We seem to still get our flow of traffic through and only hope the next time our Secretary General decides to bring people through he knows how and what to do with the Ty 128 Petrol vouchers. I am not used to being asked if I want gas from Maui or Kapuni and then having to return days later to give the Sec Gen the litres. However, I am sure Val and Elke did not mind.

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For those who missed out last year on the trout fishing tournament, we are running it again this year between Monday 29th October and 1st November. We have booked out the Fishermans Lodge Motor camp — all cabins and is situated just up from Lake Tarawera — where we caught over 100 trout same time last year.

Anyone wanting to attend should let me know early. At present we have about 40 confirmed. Should cost you between $85-$95 for the four days. This includes licence, accommodation, food. You don't need gear and those who may be of the opinion they have an ulcer should not attend. Once accommodation is full we will probably close the number. Those who have sent names don't worry, I have not replied but will do so when we finalise things closer to the date.

Mike and Joy Collins have just returned from a fabulous trip to Hong Kong, Penang and Singapore in June.

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What a surprise — a report from Hawkes Bay! Apologies for the lack of interesting news from this area, but plenty has happened this year with staff changes, promotions and much action on the sporting scene.

However, it has been very quiet on the IPA scene with no activity in the area. We had our hopes up one weekend with a planned visit from a tourist passing through from Australia. Because of the short time in New Zealand (5 days), unfortunately Hawkes Bay was a little far south from Auckland to visit.

Steve Anderton left the area earlier in the year. He was promoted to Chief Inspector and is now the Deputy District Commander in New Plymouth. Steve has been very keen and interested in IPA and was instrumental in the upsurge in interest in the Hawkes Bay area. No doubt New Plymouth will reap the benefits of his interest as well. We wish Steve, Sue and Shane all the best in the Taranaki.

Other transfers from the Napier area include Graeme and Jenny Jarvis to Levin, Laurie Naden to Gisborne and Warren Murdoch to Wellington CIB.

Sue Clark and Tony Yeoman are recent resignations. Thanks, Sue, for all your assistance with IPA.

Our travellers in the Region have included Bill Hollinshed to Japan, Alan Cook to England and Roger Richards to Kuala Lumpar. Alan Cook returns to the homeland for six weeks or so. We hope to have a report from him on his return and also a report on his membership in the INC, London. See elsewhere in the Journal for articles on Roger and Bill's trips.

Devaluation will hit our travellers hard and with the Police Olympics only weeks away, many of the travellers will be keen to make the most of their funds. Our competitors from Hawkes Bay include Mick Cull (athletics) and Dave Robertson, Adam MacDonald and Brian Smith (softball). Mick left the week before the Olympics in Los Angeles and along with local valuation boss, Ken Parker, will be seeing plenty of the action in LA.

All the best at Phoenix for the competition there. Many fundraising activities were held to help with funds — cake stalls, sponsored runs, casino evenings and raffles. Thanks for all the support, especially Twin City Police Wives for all their help.

Recent additions to families include Morris and Angela Cheer, Murray and Mrs Morgan. Wedding congratulations go to Grant Diver and Gary Duncan and of course their respective spouses.

Hawkes Bay played Gisborne recently in the annual rugby clash. Once again a resounding victory for the Bay. Down 10-4 at half time they surged ahead to complete the game 27-10. Sorry, Gisborne, obviously more training required. Thanks to Malcolm McLean, the referee, who has provided a cup for each fixture.

Another traveller away at present is Diane Cumming who is on leave without pay. Diane was last heard of in Lisbon after travelling from London, France and Spain before getting into Portugal.

Ross Pinkham

WELLINGTON REGION



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From the quiet back-reaches of Kilbirnie comes the first of my contributions to the 'Regional Roar'. I'll be covering events in the Wellington City Division area. As the Kilbirnie Patrol Base is a bit secluded from the mainstream of Wellington Central, it will be difficult for me to be aware of all the news, so my apologies for any occurrences that I do overlook. On the same note, if there are any significant happenings, or anything at all that anyone wishes me to mention, please don't hesitate to phone me on 723-000 extension 640.

By the time you read this article, our treasurer, Peter Hunter, will have tied the knot! He is due to be married on 4 August. We wish him and his new wife, Julie, all the very best in their life together.

Owen Jacobson has recently transferred from Wellington Central to Police National Headquarters. I hear he is now a Chief Inspector in Personnel. Hope it all goes well for you, Owen.

Another transfer, but to a little further afield: Kevin Egan has been appointed Assistant Commissioner in Kiribati. My geography is not too good, but I believe that is what we once used to call the Gilbert and Ellice Islands. It should be a very interesting experience, and we look forward to hearing about it.

Others out of the country include Marie Scott and Godfrey Shoulder, who have been travelling by Trans-Siberian Railway to London. They should be about back by now, so we look forward to an article about their adventures (hint!).

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We haven't had too many visitors from overseas that I know of. However, Ross Gordon and Rangi Rangihika have been hosting a couple of German visitors, Ingolf and Nortrud Albert, from Hamburg. Ingolf is an ex-policeman, and is currently practicing as a psychologist, and is, in fact, the instructor of the Hamburg Police Hostage Negotiation Team. Recently this team was responsible for the safe release of a Dusseldorf bank manager after he was held hostage by bank robbers. Ingolf says he finds problems are much the same in policing both our countries, though he is amazed at how we work unarmed. The Alberts have been following our elections closely, and they felt that Bob Jones was by far the most proficient speaker.

The Wellington Central Police Station is presently reverberating to the sound of hammers and saws, as the cafeteria undergoes a major refit. Presently, the cafeteria is temporarily situated in the Back Bar.

I'd like to make a personal plea at this point. I am one of the persons responsible for collating the district histories of policing. This is a lead-up to the 1986 Centenary. As most of the 'official' sources have well and truly been gone over already by experienced researchers, I rely very heavily on the material that a lot of older police members or ex-members, and relatives or descendants of policemen have lurking in their family albums, attics, or even old cardboard boxes in the garage. So, photographs and written material would of course be perfect, and could be returned to the owners unharmed after copies are taken. Perhaps some of you have stories and anecdotes of policing in earlier times, either from yourselves or from your ancestors — I'll be happy to get these written down. I have made this request before, and have been very disappointed at the lack of response. The only motivation you will need is to telephone or write to me, and I promise to undertake all the rest of the motivation for you! So, please do drop me a line at the Kilbirnie Patrol Base or phone me on 723-000 extension 640.

Officers of the Wellington Regional Committee of IPA elected at the AGM on 26 July, 1984, are:

Chairman: John Clarke, Police National HQ, 180 Molesworth St, Wellington.

Vice-chairman: Peter Barrowman, Police Garage, Wellington Police Station, Wellington.

Secretary: Roly Hermans, Kilbirnie Police Station, 168 Moxham Ave, Wellington.

Treasurer: Peter Hunter, Government House, Private Bag, Wellington.

NEC Delegate: Brian Daw.

Andrew Kennedy-Good did not offer himself for re-election as secretary, but was elected to the committee. Andrew was nominated as the co-ordinator for the 1984 Supersport Lottery in the Wellington district. He was accorded a vote of thanks for his dedication while secretary. Peter Hunter was congratulated for his regular newsletter.

Lufthansa's New Zealand manager, Wolfgang Leonhardt, gave a very entertaining talk on Germany and showed a film on Bavaria. He would be welcomed back to tell us about his home city, Berlin, if he can be enticed back.

CHRISTCHURCH

At the present time we are into our winter months and the season have been somewhat kind to us. Unfortunately our skiers have suffered due to the late start caused through the lack of snow on our famous slopes of the south. The effect has been widespread and has affected the tourism sector. By the time you read this article I trust that the situation will have improved somewhat.

Christchurch has been quiet of the recent months and recently the Christchurch AGM was held. The new committee for the 1984/85 year was elected. Persons elected to office were Chairman: John Milne; Secretary: Jeff Robinson; Treasurer: Gerry Gallagher; Delegate: John Milne; Supplies Officer: Gerry Gallagher. The remainder of the committee consists of John Lardner, Trevor Mickell, Bill McCallum, Barry McKay and Ray Cook. Ron Leck will remain the committee person for Timaru and Dave Allen will be the representative in Nelson. If you want to know anything or can assist in IPA then please make it known to one of the above. With 1986 not far away the committee will be needing all the assistance it can get. There has been a lot of work going on behind the scenes in preparation for 1986 and all members will hear more of this in the next issue. Each person reading this can assist immediately by contacting your overseas friends and making sure they know that the friendship week is on. Anyone wanting brochure material or further information can contact one of the committee. There is an introductory brochure available which is in full colour.

There are only two travellers known to me locally, they being Jack Inkster and his wife in Europe at present and Bill Peck who has just returned from USA.

There have been a number of transfers in the region. They are Brian Williams to Porirua Police College, Darryl Clearwater to Hastings, Anton Tenhove to Auckland, Frank Lynch to Wellington HQ, Keith Knox to Police College, Ross Thurston to Wellington and John White to Wellington. We wish the members and their families all the best. Into the region we welcome Andrew Porter, Gary Howat and Peter Summerfield. If we have missed someone then our spies are dormant because of winter. If anyone

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has any news then please pass it on to the committee for the next article.

John and Glenis Milne have a baby, Anna Christine. No doubt there have been other births, however, we have not had them reported to us. Toddy Bimpson has recently retired and Verdi Van Beek resigned to go farming. We also wish them the very best.

Earlier this year the inaugural World Masters Swimming Championship were held in Christchurch. Two Christchurch staff featured. Mike Holmes got the NZ title in the 100m backstroke. Garry Campbell also was placed in the freestyle event 100m. Mike Holmes' wife also featured and was a winner.

There are a number of persons travelling to the World Police Olympics and we will report more on them in the next issue.

Christchurch has not had many visitors. The latest visitor to Christchurch was Bert Randall from Melbourne. He came to ski but like so many others he was disappointed with the lack of snow. Our thanks to those who assisted looking after him. A special thanks to Ross Glendining in Queenstown.

Should any member have a visitor in the region who may be interested in a scenic flight then contact Brian George who will always assist providing the weather is kind. Brian has a commercial pilots licence and has assisted many visitors to the region. Any person who has been for a flight with Brian has found this the highlight of their stay.

We have an IPA Board on the third floor of the Christchurch Police Station just along by the cafe and this will be used to display intending function dates and be used as a notice board. There is also a display of IPA souvenirs. The cabinet material was mostly donated and a special thanks goes to Trevor Mickell for making it. If you wish to make use of the board, Trevor or Gerry Gallagher have a key.

To ensure a full report of the regions activities please forward information for this section to your secretary Jeff Robinson.

Thanks to the outgoing committee members for their assistance all of whom have offered to assist in the future. We hope to get a report from Jeff and Karen McCambridge about their Australian trip in the next issue.

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A CHANGE OF SCENE

Since the last magazine was published and as indicated in my article in it, I have shifted from the Police College to Rotorua.

To come home for the third time and be given a job in a district renowned for its long history and more recent tourism identity is something difficult to express without appearing to be sentimental. This is not to denigrate one's turangawaewae though, because for me the spiritual link with my family in this area is hard to translate into suitably acceptable English and not sound maudlin.

Much has happened here since 1977. A new building is being made to add to the District Council facilities. This came about by the amalgamation of the Rotorua City and County Councils into one corporate body.

Police staff have changed — some members have transferred — others retired and some resigned. Many new members including me have been posted here in the past 7½ years. The civilian staff has increased in numbers to give much needed support to Police personnel.

Changes in attitudes in the Police and its clientele have taken place and not all for the good. Unemployment and even despair on the part of some people, especially those facing severe hardship, are not ideal grounds upon which to build sound meaningful relationships — and Police are often caught in the cross-fire.

Much evidence of growth is about but it is insufficient yet to give more people worthwhile work and a place to live. Conversely, some people are all too ready to accept an easy way out, the dole, and some of them also get extra income from an ever increasing malady — crime — the profits from which are untaxable and cannot in any way help the economy.

Despite some of the gloomy things I have seen and heard of since coming home, a number of very good things have been encountered — not the least being the measure of goodwill from many quarters and from all strata of the community tapestry. The goodwill towards the Police compensates for the negative attitudes experienced regardless of their source.

Spring-like weather has induced many trees to blossom and we are not yet halfway through July. How this augurs for future weather leaves one wondering.

Installation of natural gas pipelines is proceeding in the city — so a thermal area is awaiting a heat source from Taranaki gas fields and with it a saving in thermal energy and water "run-out" from our hydro-electrical dams and lakes which will conserve our water resources. Maybe the impending notion of irrigation of the Rangitaiki Plains will be only a start of a new use for our water and its management.

In 1986 we celebrate the New Zealand Police Centennial — articles about this event have already appeared in the IPA magazine. Two other centennials also occur in Rotorua in 1986. They are the 100 years since Mt Tarawera erupted creating havoc and much loss of life along with what is now a tourist attraction — and — the Rotorua Primary School; one of the earliest schools in NZ and very likely the first in Rotorua.

As an historical fact, I am proud of the fact my wife's great grandfather was the first person from Rotorua to go to Te Wairoa (the village buried in the Tarawera eruption) to evacuate people from the scene.

History in New Zealand is starting to link us with our own country's past, especially back to the great Maori migration here (via Maori culture and intermarriage and ever more so in our New Zealand education system at all levels) and the first new settlers from Britain and Europe; and we are starting to recognise its value to us as people and as a nation.

By-products of history are books, films, places and other repositories of our heritage. They in turn produce work and study, both of which enrich our land.

IPA is nearly 20 years old in NZ. In essence, we are about two-thirds as old as IPA itself since Arthur Troup set it in train. So IPA is part of New Zealand Police and general community history.

The New Zealand Police has played a large role, (and will in the future too) in the process of New Zealand history yet gains little recognition for it. Despite the terrible loss of life and other tragic consequences resulting in warfare, too many for too long have overlooked or fobbed off the contribution by the New Zealand Police to our nation's development.

Granted, the few misdemeanours or misdeeds gain prominence at the time they happen, but realistically, all the other things Police have done for nearly 100 years seemingly count for nought.

Without disparaging the deeds of our armed services personnel in battle it seems incongruous to me that it has to take a war before the general population realises the value of sacrifice and service.

The elements of sacrifice and service are and always have been distinctly just two of the characteristics demanded of our Police. Yet because we fight only mini-wars in the obscurity of urban and rural areas, and there are no masses of casualties or wounded, it seems our role is insignificant.

Likewise, the notion that we are the panacea for society's cavalier care for itself, especially relating to the safety of people.

The manifestation of these ideals is graphically illustrated by the serious crimes reported to us, including dozens of homicides. It seems ever more so that unless "I" am affected

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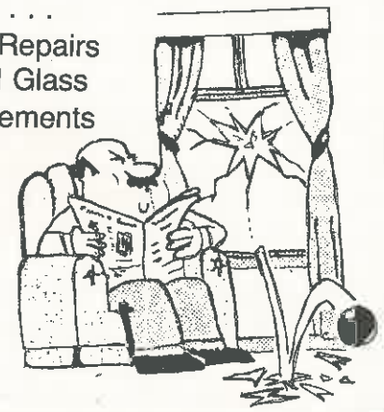

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Dear Members,

I am sure that you will all join with me in giving '3 hearty cheers' as a vote of thanks for a job well done to Carole Stewart our retired National Travel Secretary for the past 2 years. I will try to achieve the very high standard she has set while holding this term of office which has recently been changed to a 3 year term. I will not introduce myself any further to you at this stage as you will find that I am the 'victim' of the Profile article this month, which should give you all the information you may need to know, plus some.

Overseas IPA visitors

Fairly quiet over the past 3 months. An unannounced visit by Chris Pollard, a retired Chief Inspector from the Zimbabwe Police caught everyone unawares and under the circumstances as much as possible was done for him. Peter Burridge, who is also ex British South African Police was able to arrange accommodation for him in Auckland with other members of BSAP (British South African Police Assoc) for which we are very grateful.

On 27 September, we were advised of a visit by Lewis Anderson of the Merseyside Police, England. He lists his interest as Aviation and is interested in visiting local airfields while in New Zealand. He departs on October 6, and while here will be staying with me (address in back of this journal). Anyone interested in contacting him while he is here — feel free to do so.

New Zealand Members Overseas

- Stan Taylor and wife — June 1984, USA
- Michael Wilson and Jerome Hol — September to October after competing in the Police Olympics.
- Evan Jordan plus party of 31 including wives — September to Tokyo, Hong Kong, Bangkok and Singapore.
- Paddy and Barbara Murphy — June to September, England via the States and home via the east.
- Edward (Ted) and Noeline Trappitt — June to September, Britain and Singapore.
- Lucky LWOP members — Barry Williams, Rob Parsons, Chris Jensen and Rob Abbott.
- Peter Nesbitt — soon, we suppose, after having been the winner of our lucky door prize at our recent AGM of a ticket to Sydney, courtesy of British Airways.
- Brian & Judith Mallabar — June to September, Switzerland and other places.
- Nora Crawford — you will have noticed in our last issue that Nora had planned a trip in May June but she had a little bad luck in that she slipped and broke her arm so the trip had to be put off. Now she's on the mend we wish her a speedy recovery and a lot more happy traveling in the near future.

Helpful Travel Hints

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And those who have everything organised travelwise and discover that they will be arriving at London Gatwick Airport and not Heathrow, will be pleased to know that two new developments have further improved the lot of passengers travelling through this airport.

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either personally or through my property, nothing else exists, least of all any regard for someone else's safety.

Granted, some elements of society aid Police affairs. For that we are thankful and look for continued assistance. But a significant "public" see no value in the Police and its services; ridicule its actions and performance; denigrate law and order; right and wrong; and bleat about their freedom to please themselves.

Freedom is a hard taskmaster because it demands responsibility. The reaction to an unbalanced use of freedom is "license" and all that implies.

This malaise is pandemic and widespread in New Zealand, but its sources are obscure. Doubtless media influences, education (or the lack of it), lackadaisical parental discipline, couldn't care less attitudes as to consequences, all seem to point towards hopelessness.

Sometimes I wonder if we are buying the spurious subtleties of a Marxist philosophy, very cunningly coated like a laxative, and retailed in equally subtle ways, so well we cannot see the mask and what its facade hides.

Anyway, enough of philosophy and its effects on Police except to say; do not buy the garbage tendered, be it in society, the media, politics, education or whatever.

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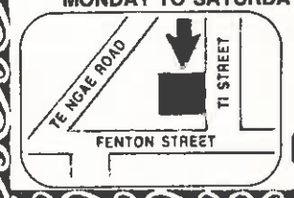

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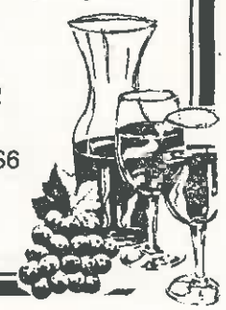

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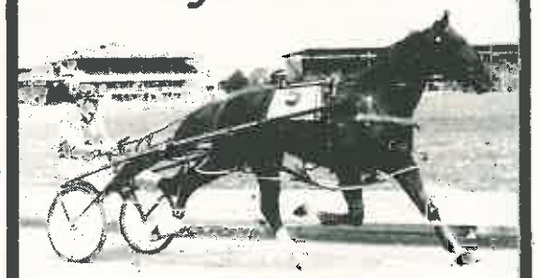

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Night shift sleep study

London. — A sleep patterns study shows that night workers who sleep eight hours each day still lose the equivalent of one night's sleep a week. Researchers say daytime sleep is different from that at night.

The Daily Mirror reports that the effects on work performance are the same as after a night spent tossing and turning. Night workers react more slowly and, the longer they stay on the night-shift, the slower their reactions become.

Psychologists at the Applied Psychology Unit, Cambridge, recorded the sleep patterns of a group of shift-workers and then gave them simple push-button tests.

They found that even if the men had enjoyed a full eight hours during the day, they had less "deep" sleep than night-time snoozers.

Sleepers Water Beds Top

Water beds have come out the top in a study of which beds give the best night's sleep.

A senior psychology lecturer at the University of Otago, Dr David Marks, looked at water, air, foam rubber and inner spring beds in his three month study.

The initial study was sponsored by Dream Merchants, a water bed manufacturer. Dr Marks hopes to continue with a more detailed study.

After the results of the study, Dr Marks said he was seriously thinking about buying a water bed for himself.

He reckoned water beds could have been ranked even higher if those in the study had been given longer to get used to them.

Volunteers for the study — five men and five women — gave up eight nights of sleeping on their own beds for the study. Each person slept on a different type of bed for two nights.

All were used to sleeping on foam rubber or inner spring beds, and were young adults used to sleeping on their own.

The queen size beds in the study were either lent or bought, and were put in one of the Psychology Department's houses.

The volunteers were given a night to get used to sleeping on a different type of bed before their sleep on it was recorded the next night.

The sleepers had electrodes attached to their scalps for an electro-encephalogram (EEG), while other devices measured movement while sleeping, and eye movement. The rapid eye movement phase of sleep is when we have our dreams.

A list of 16 ratings included eight which measured physically and eight were reported by the subject, such as pleasant dreams and feeling rested.

Inner spring and water beds did the best on the time people woke up again after they had started sleeping — only 10 minutes compared with 23 minutes on average for the air bed.

As for the total time awake after going to sleep, water bed sleepers recorded 22 minutes, compared with 38 minutes on average for those on air beds.

Overall, water beds had the best ratings while the other three types of bed were about the same.

Dr Marks attributed this difference to the water beds having no pressure points and a feeling of flotation.

Although many studies have been done on sleep, Dr Marks said his study is only the second he knew of on how the type of bed affects sleep, although quality of sleep is so important for our wellbeing.

He hopes to continue his research on this, looking at groups of people who have sleep problems, such as those with insomnia and chronic pain and whether a different type of bed would help them.



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By Tony Olsen

Part 3 The Ni Vanuatu Peoples

I had imagined homesick Scots naming the New Hebrides and New Caledonia. However it was Captain Cook, on one of his Cooks Tours, who was the culprit.

The first recorded visitors were sailors and explorers. In 1568 the Spaniard, Mendana, discovered the Solomon Islands and met his death 30 years later at Santa Cruz. In 1606 his chief officer Queros sailed through the Banks group to Big Bay, Santo Island thinking it was Australia.

In 1768 Bougainville discovered some islands of Vanuatu and called them New Cyclades. Captain Cook arrived there six years later and named the same islands the New Hebrides. (He was the first explorer to map the central and southern islands, not knowing about the others.)

In 1788 ships were lost on a reef sailing to Australia and two more French ships sailed through looking for them up to 1828. One carried D'Urville and the other William Bligh himself, of the Bounty. In 1828 Peter Dillon found sandalwood and it took only two years for the traders to begin pouring in.

In 1840 Queensland and Fiji had established sugar plantations and were short of labour. By 1880, 20,000 men had been taken by force from Vanuatu. Oil and copra were being produced and fire arms, disease and alcohol depopulated the people further.

In 1888 French colonisation speeded things up quite a lot. The first missionary was John Williams of the London Missionary Society who was killed at Eromango in 1839. Many others followed in the same vein.

In 1887 France and Great Britain set up a joint Naval Commission to safeguard lives and property. In 1922 a new convention was ratified. Loss of political independence and plundering of the land followed. The myth of the coming of the ancestors' boat was promoted (with its Cargo* of goodies) and culminated in a disturbance in 1914 and in 1923 and resulted in the murder of a white man. A Ni Vanuatu man's life was too short to wait for riches promised. This time meant action or else!

Economically the country did not develop very well under the Condominium Government. In 1929 the World Slump began. A defence force was set up to repel possible Japanese invaders of World War II. Americans landed instead in June 1942 and didn't leave until 1945. The repatriation of all Vietnamese labourers forced planters to abandon plantings of coffee and cocoa and the development of beef cattle farming.

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Change came to the islands after the war and the people became aware of what was before and what was now!



* The Cargo Cult and Jon Frum movement of today still exists. Prince Philip is the new Jon Frum!

Early Inhabitants

The Ni Vanuatu ancestors had come from the West through the Solomons, Indonesia and Papua New Guinea. Migrations increased from other islands too. Many Polynesians came whose descendants still remain today. Malaysians and Vietnamese came to labour and Chinese, Gilbert and Ellice Islanders (Kiribati especially), Wallace Islanders and more. The British brought Tongans, Fijians and all the European expatriates came too. Gone are the Japanese who lived there before the war but many ethnic groups have inter married.



Vanuatu Warriors

The people brought the pineapple, avocado, pawpaw, manioc but the coconut palm is thought to have evolved in Vanuatu. Such a large number of physically diverse people with their many languages it is theorised, arrived about 5000 years ago. Some of the land however started rising from the seas millions of years ago. I fear we are only just beginning to appreciate the time factor in human migrations. Who's to say people weren't in these islands a few thousand years before?

The people who left pottery behind to examine today, were dubbed Lapita people. They later struck out to colonise other islands to the esat it is thought.

The use of pidgin flourished during the slave trading era in South America, Fiji and Queensland. It was "convenient" for English speakers! In 1859 the new pidgen was called Sandalwood English.

Polynesians

Amongst the Polynesian people runs the tale of Maui Tikitiki. The same fellow as New Zealand Maori legend. Vanuatu has got a fish and a canoe and an anchor stone the same as New Zealand and we were shown the islands on a map, to prove it. A common legend across the South Pacific it seems. (Wonder WHO he was?)

Woken to the sound of the Maori words **Hara Mai, Hara Mai** from the next door mother who was also Head of Womens Affairs in Vila Vanuatu, I pondered upon the similarity also of the words used 'to sit' in New Zealand Maori. **Naho Raro** are the key words. In Samoa its **Nofo Lalo.** In Vanuatu on Fila Island it was **Nofo laro. (Yaro)** That fellow Roimata seems to have got around too. He was the founder of the kinship gorup on the same island. The name means 'tears'. I wonder how many wives shed them for this chap! The **Nakamal** and **Nasara** were the equivalent of the Maori **Whare Tupuna** and **Marae.**

Melanesian rituals designed to grade those determined to gain recognition on earth and in heaven still take place today in some areas. There are different ceremonials which women can also take part in if they wish to. The hawk is sacred as one symbol, but there are many other symbols still in evidence.



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The best known ritual is the pig killing which I suspect today may have altered a little with Europeanisation. The deliberately produced circular pig tusks are still in great demand and mean hand feeding for unfortuante wives! On one island a history of hermaphrodite pigs may be carrying things too far for Melanesian pig breeding programmes but such are the odd tales one sifts through in the islands. The pigs appear to be the same species that Captain Cook brought to New Zealand and now called Captn Cookers there.



A pig killing. Note the split drums as past style ceremonies

The actual pig killing ceremony is rather too basic for the European curiosity as the poor thing is dragged squealing to its fate to be dispatched with a club until dead. I could not see any spiritual significance attached to the act but it may have been there all the same.



An official pig killing

Tourists

Young, old, fat, bald, ugly and gorgeous. With the most horrifying shrieks and high nasal voices they descend on Port Vila town, with each tourist ship that calls. The tourists fall off the provided mini buses straight from the wharf into town. The market place is filled with eager glee. The locals sit with impassive tolerance resplendent in Mother Hubbard dresses trailing ribbons and holding black umbrellas against a sudden downpour. The sunshine gets hotter and the shell fish and crabs suffer openly from it. Banana leaves are used as fans and covering cloths.



Mat Weaving, Vanuatu

Bodies mill about fingering dresses, carving, fruit and vegetables, shrieking over each new discovery. Some repair to the duty free shops to buy all the computerised delights they can carry away as well as jewellery, embroidered linen and perfumes made in France. Radios, TVs, stereos, watches all got a pounding. The coffee and eclair shops hum and everybody's happy.

At the market, coconut graters make lovely stools for the patient sellers and the caged piglets wriggle to find a new inch to lie on, blinking through the split bamboo bars wearily after their canoe ride to market at 5pm and from across the island by truck! A good place for a gossip while the new currency changes hands with foreign notes and change.

We had a joke with one island group over the little black bats with tiny ears pointed and pink tongues protruding lying cooked on top of the laplap swimming in coconut cream. **Mi fela fright tu mas. Mi mi ting em i ol ol fela bumbu belo yu fela!** (I am too frightened. I think this is an ancestor belonging to you.) They looked just like a dried head from cannabil days! **Mi no savvy wan fela saming?** (I don't know what this is.) **Em i flying foxis masta** (fruit bat), **Em i nanba wan kakai masta.** (It is excellent food.) We showed our fear and left to laughter.

When we then asked a French businessman where to find a coffee shop with air conditioning he mentioned **M'B'KERRRRR.** After some discussion we realised that he meant the Australian shop MA BARKER'S! We practiced the French equivalent all the way there with hoots of laughter.

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Melanesians with secrets for their ears only hissed at each other and trailed the tourists back to the wharf for last minute selling, singing for money and holding streamers falling from the side of the ship just for the fun of the moment. As the ship would pull away from the wharf to turn about in the harbour, the canoes would already be piled up for the return home, loaded to the last inch and the last bodies would pile on top as well — seconds away from the lapping water — unafraid, paddling off into the dark.

The ships steam off towards Santo Island and Ambrym volcano in the darknerss too. The inhabitants complained of their sunburn or lack of it, the volcanic ash obscuring the expected sunshine turning the brilliant ocean into pallid greys. Even the snorkelling and coral viewing from the glass bottomed boats were forgotten all too soon. You can't please everybody! Only the stains from their Frosty Boys remain to remind them of the pleasures they've had as they rudely gobbled icecream in public along the waterfront.

The Economy and Education

Forestry, fishing, tourism, communication, shipping, airways, roading, (originally American) tourism, mining are being sought with increasing intensity. Hospitals, schools and the arms of the University of the South Pacific creep out into the economy as more than 30 per cent of the children are educated now as well as those at religious schools. Money still comes from France and Britain as well as Australia and New Zealand.

My wife visited Malapaoa College, the British secondary school to demonstrate teaching techniques for teachers there and left behind her carded work to learn from, and $2500 (NZ) worth of non-fiction books, some straight from the publishers. They filled the gifted Australian shelving nicely.

Although she was offered the opportunity to help in the Vanuatu Education Department she refused as she felt it would not be right as it could have breached my contract and be seen to be yet another pushy expatriate taking employment from others. The following week she was asked to the French Lycee also and taking many books on the New Zealand Maori and their culture and speaking in pidgin she demonstrated items of interest to the staff and pupils also. Their return gift to her was a demonstration of the rare sand drawing by one pupil. He used the blackboard to draw with his one finger a continuous sacred design without lifting his finger once. An intricate piece of work, she said.

Police Wives' Club — And Others

Although the expatriate community had the usual clubs for sport, macrame and so on, she joined the Melanesian Police Wives' Club as well. This finished up being held at our home because it was easier to learn cooking and sewing in a house than a hall.



Opening the umu

The club attracted others and it became a kind of friendship group meeting once a week. Indian, Chinese, Japanese, English, Australian, New Zealanders, Solomon Islanders and French all came. Instead of two hours it would go on until I arrive home after 4.30pm to much laughter, chinking of tea cups and food! Lime cake (like madeira), scones, bread, Kiwi buns with raisins.

A bus was taken to visit two artists at their village where Melanesian and Pacific art works were on display. The artists were famous and enjoyed having local people come instead of endless tourists. Michoutouchkine and Pilioko had paintings, embroidery and art styles all represented. The two men had travelled extensively and were gracious hosts indeed. They presented the ladies with colour photos of good quality as a reminder of their visit. They were much treasured.

Senior girls from Malapaoa College came once a week for the equivalent of the Duke of Edinburgh Award, called the Presidents Award. They learned some of their skills at our home. That is cooking (lime cake like madeira cake, scones, bread and Kiwi buns with raisins towards the day they had to use an oven), hygiene and health. They stayed longer than they needed to sample the products of their

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The crippled boy from an outer island, threatened with being sent home as he was unemployed, was taught to type on his own old typewriter. He came seven days a week and filled the house with noise and laughter. He never intruded and finished usually having a cuppa with us, reading back his work — mistakes and all. A wonderful chance to learn good English for him too.



Tanna women in custom dress

The house 'girl' would join in sometimes and we learnt pidgen and tales of the islands from them both in return. When he gained employment at a hotel office desk it was a happy day for us all. The Save the Children representative in Vila came and took his photo for their magazine. I have never seen the result, sadly, as we would like to have a photo for ourselves too. I wonder if he ever got one?



Tanna girl with dance paint

Tall Tales

Some tales that go around the Pacific whipped along by isolation and lack of substantiation are amusing and obscure at times.

One tale we were told was about a shark who changed into a human body to lure a cripple into going fishing with him without any accompanying villagers. The body was found later of the boy eaten by a shark which had promptly changed back into a shark again, just to eat the boy. The reason was obscure.

A girl who saved a child from drowning was ostracised as being a witch even after she was a mother three times and years later.

During the cyclone season and even in wintertime, tales of miraculous saving of life at sea go the rounds. Yachts run before the winds for hundreds of miles to keep an even keel. Canoes drift too. Some are found and some aren't! Sometimes a fish will help the survivors. Sometimes a bird. Sometimes a sudden tide or wind will take them to safety.

If a person wants to run off with a lover they can feed them a certain leaf which will ensure the return of their love. This is still a strong belief today.

Nasties

Kiwis for some reason greatly fear the horrors of nasties. Creeping, crawling, flying or swimming. Tourists love to be regaled with what to avoid as a kind of late night horror show too.

The sight of large brillantly coloured but harmless spiders on huge webs send them into a paranoic hibernation. Harmless black fruit bats with sinister mental overtones give them mental hypothermia.

Disappointed to learn that sea snakes mouths are too small to 'take a bite', that stone fish spikes pierce shoes only now and again being found only in obscure places, that snakes on land are Pacific boa constrictor species that eat rodents, does little to soothe their anxieties.

Sunburn and the abrasive action of coral sand in ears and rock on limb is, however, painful. Large tree lizards are not interested in humans and the yellow hornet is probably the most feared of all by the Melanesians. Yachties hate them, too, as they have a habit of taking shelter in sails during downpours.

We had a large tree lizard in the frangipani tree on our property near the back door. One day a neighbour's cat thought he stalk it. We heard fearful screaming coming from the tree and saw the cat held firmly by one paw and the tree lizard lying on the trees bough quite unconcerned. A terrible thud and the cat took off into the bush nearby. One move from the back door and faster than a twitch the lizard was gone.

Our house 'girl' and house 'boy' one day found a hornets nest in the hedge outside. They begged some kerosine from the motormower and some paper and set fire to the hornets nest. Stamping on the baby hornets as they fell from their melting home eagerly. Unhappily they burnt a large part of the hedge too but a chunk of French bread and some cordial soon restored their smiles again. Both these people were in their late 20s and had children. One child had died in infancy from pneumonia and the house boy had tuberculosis currently in spite of drugs at the hospital, which run out from time to time. Free hospital treatment for Melanesians is a wonderful help.

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Christmas Custom

A nastie at Christmas (for some people) is Fosters Beer freely available from stores if you have the money, of course. Carollers coming to our door singing held sacks for goodies that people may wish to give the group in return for the songs. The custom of throwing talcum powder over the house inhabitants I suppose was meant to represent snow. One cheeky fellow — John the hawker — asked us for **Fosta Masta.** I pretended ignorance and gave him cordial and biscuits and his jeering friends were delighted.



Christmas and New Year cookout



My daughter on the reef

The president relaxing



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Cultural Centre

Kirk Huffman (American) and Jack Keitadi (Ni Vanuatu) ran a cheerful museum cum cultural centre. Stuffed items, displays, carved items including the sale of some carvings from outer islands to assist the people. The two men organised story and song taping sessions through their trained assistants in the outer islands and ran lectures and films for tourists and other groups as requested.



Cultural centre next to library biblothique

Tangata

It was decided to have a New Zealand display of culture prior to an expected exhibition's arrival. We took down all our available books on the New Zealand Maori and some photographs in colour of the various stages of hangi making, meeting-houses and a photo of the Maori Queen. There were the kits we had brought with us from home and later donated to the Cultural Centre. There were several showcase full and the Melanesians were fascinated by it all.

Then came a bombshell. The curator, Kirk, asked me to give a traditional Maori welcome to open an exhibition of photographs by Brian Brake who is famous for his photography all around the world. The photos were of traditional Maori carvings held in the National Museum in Wellington.

Miss Mary Chamberlain, High Commissioner at Honiara, instructed me through Kirk to help him.

We met at Kirk's home unexpectedly to find we were (unrehearsed) making a tape to go on the local radio to advertise the coming show. Singing without warming up was difficult and the explanations in lengthy pidgin was unnerving. Miss Chamberlain said her piece too. For two weeks we were subjected to our own voices monotonously day after day and it was easier to turn off the radio!

The week arrived but no photographs. The airlines appeared to have lost them. Panic. They turned up again. Relief. We asked friends to help 'hang' the huge photos and my wife, having been a member of the Academy of Fine Arts in Wellington for many years, and a painter herself, decided how, where and what was required. The New Zealand High Commission sent special lights so the photos on a foam like backing wouldn't melt or warp or fade with bad lighting. The whole thing looked quite professional now, although windows covered inadvertently with black plastic to block the light warped one photo to her horror.



Miss Mary Chamberlain, NZ High Commissioner

It was then we heard that the 20 x 24 foot room meant members of the public couldn't be invited. Members of the South Pacific Conference were coming anyway — all Foreign Ministers from the South Pacific. The 33 photos from the book Arts of the Pacific, looked well. Our old friend Brian Brake would be pleased with us, we having known him when he was with the National Film Unit years before. A mate of his popped in to look but left before we could talk.



Honourable Mr B. Talboys Minister Foreign Affairs, NZ.

A surprised Hon Brian Talboys Minister of Foreign Affairs from New Zealand and his wife, stood beside the NZ High Commissioner, Mary Chamberlain, at the door on the opening night of the exhibition. His face was a delight as this, I heard, was to be his last official engagement in that official capacity.

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My wife's high pitched 'calling' of the **Karanga** (welcome) rang out and this brought the group forward into the hall. I did a **Whai Korero** (welcome speech) and we then both sang **Karanga Ti Ra** together and handed the ceremony over to Mr Talboys. It was our turn for delight as he replied very ably in Maori first then in English. The Director of the Cultural Centre followed and the Minister of Social Affairs for Vanuatu, Mr Worik.



"Karanga Tia Ra"



The official speeches

After all the photos and speeches were done, I was asked to take His Excellency Ati George Sokomanu and his wife and The Prime Minister Father Walter Lini and his Solomon Island wife around the photographs to explain their significance to them. The evening ended in supper and lots of chatter.

The reaction of the Foregin Ministers from all those South Pacific countries was a humbly gratifying experience. I found myself assuring them that they could collect together arts and crafts of their own to also show people of other countries. The ability to store and keep safely, anything in that kind of humid climate would present a formidible task I would think.

As we collected and handed back lent articles from the exhibition some yachties from the sea wall heard that there were films about NZ at the Centre and wanted to see them too. We spent the next few days showing the films to an interested and well informed public and shared with them tales from Maori myth and legend which given as a lecture went down rather well all told.



Jock, Dawn & Stuart of New Zealand



As we left for home on the last day, we in turn were given a rousing farewell from the sea wall as we slowly drove past never to see many of our new friends again as they were sailing off to other parts of the Pacific bent on new pastures.

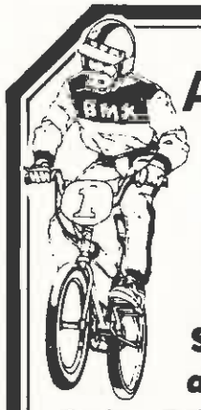


Goodbye yachties!

The noise of engines and sails being checked as each boat slowly turned towards the wind from the outer harbour made us wish we could sail off with them and we tooted until there was no point any more from our Peugot 305 (a bargain for $2000.00 (Aus) and bumping over the ruts in the mud made our own way home too — towards our own new pastures.



British and French police at airport



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Mr Herb Gladden,
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Canada's No 9 Region are celebrating their 10th Birthday and from Sunday 16th to Sunday 23 June, 1985 will be holding "We're Having A Seven Day Birthday Party" event. Full details of this can be obtained from:
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FINLAND

The following amendments regarding Officers and postal addresses have been notified to this office by the Finnish Section:
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2. Tel Number of Vice Pr Mr Eriksson is 00358 0 7530363
3. Mr Karkuviita's post number is now only SF-01531 VANTAA
4. Mr Voutilainen is no longer an officer of this Section
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INTERNATIONAL POLICE ASSOCIATION CULTURAL COMMISSION REPORT to the 20th IEC Meeting, Aberdeen, Aug, 1984

The International Cultural Commission has in accordance with the current working rules been allotted a number of tasks and has now started to work on these. The Commission has, for example, started to compile an IPA Journal — stipulating concrete guidelines for an IPA Scholarship — listing all IPA Radio-hams within the various sections — drawing up guidelines for the PR activities within the IPA and how a genuine PR programme should be outlined.

The Commission has been given far-reaching tasks and we hope to make positive suggestions on all these topics in due course.

Another important issue which has been discussed by the Commission is the way the sections report their cultural activities to it. These reports should be the foundation for further reports made by the Commission. We are aware that there are many cultural activities taking place in our sections, but as there are so many it is difficult to account for them all in a meaningful way. We are, therefore, trying to draw up a form, where the sections are broken down to mainly statistical information. This will, hopefully, make it easier to survey the large number of activities. The big and important IPA activities can, as has been done previously, be reported separately in more detail.

We think that this a more suitable way to deal with it. Today there are only a few sections who report their cultural activities at all, but we hope that in this way we will achieve reporting conformity and also encourage all the sections to make regular reports. It is our intention to present such a form at the IEC meeting this year.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE SECTION

During 1983 only sections in Israel, Luxembourg and Portugal have reported their cultural activities to the Commission. Copies of their reports can be acquired from the Cultural Commission.

The Commission has received a copy of a collection of poems from the Italian section. It is a collection of different poems written by IPA poets and the title is "Incontri". Fulvio Masullo in the region of Campania has compiled the works. This shows great initiative and it would be interesting to know if there is anything similar in other regions.

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MEETINGS

During June 26th-July 10th, 1983 the Youth Meeting was held in Graz in Austria. Forty one young people from twelve countries spent these two weeks in the company of youngsters from the Austrian section. All the participants were between the ages of 15 and 20 years old and they came from:

Belgium, Greece, Italy, Sweden, Denmark, Ireland, The Netherlands, Great Britain, France, Israel, Switzerland, Germany.

The two participants from Ireland were 25 years of age and they attended as observers for the Youth Meeting in Cork this year.

From what I can gather, through reading the Austrian IPA magazine, the Youth Meeting was once again highly appreciated and enjoyed by one and all. Outings to Vienna, Karnten and Steiermarie were arranged as well as visits to local industry. There were also the opportunity to meet up with local families, discos were held and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

According to the leader, Dr h.c. Josef Hasiba, the constantly recurring opinion of the meeting was that — "When you study these young people from different countries and can feel their closeness through words and actions, it can't lead to hostility on this earth, it must lead to fellowship."

I think one can safely assume that the 1983 Youth Meeting has once again proved to be something very positive, which we must guard and be very proud of. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all those who organised this meeting.

The next two Youth Meetings will be held in: Ireland, 1984; The Netherlands, 1985.

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The following sections are now members:

Belgium, Luxembourg, Sweden, Denmark, The Netherlands, Germany, Finland, Norway, Austria.

The Swiss section has applied for membership and their application will be dealt with at the next IBZ meeting.

As the activities at the IBZ are one of the Commission's responsibilities, I decided, in my capacity as Chairman, to hold our last commission meeting at Schloss Gimborn. In February of this year we had the opportunity to see the place for ourselves and form our own opinions of the castle and its activities. I would like to point out how impressed I was by Gimborn. The surroundings and the high standard of this old castle from the 16th century, are quite unique and IPA members — mainly from Germany and The Netherlands — have carried out extraordinary restoration work. I daresay that no other organisation can show anything like it. The activities which take place at IBZ are also of a very high standard and I personally hope that this praiseworthy project will be well supported and used by even more sections in the future.

During 1983, IBZ has staged 25 week-long seminars in various subjects such as — drug abuse, terrorism, young criminals, computer protection, rhethorics etc. Apart from these the IBZ has also staged two further week-long seminars. All these seminars have taken place through the IPA and 1115 IPA members from twelve sections have participated.

It should be mentioned that the German region of Nordrhein — Westfalen together with IBZ has staged three seminars and 99 members attended.

During May 3rd-6th this year, a meeting was held at Gimborn for the IPA Editors. Members from the following countries attended:

Belgium, Luxembourg, Sweden, Denmark, The Netherlands, Germany, Finland, Norway, Austria, France, Switzerland, Ireland, Great Britain.

Members from the PEB who also attended were:

The International President, Jurgen Klos

The International Treasurer, Rolf Kock and myself in my capacity as Chairman of the Cultural Commission.

Three publishers of IPA magazines also took part.

Three themes were discussed:

1) Membership information within the IPA, index, possibilities and requirements.

2) The IPA magazine as a help in promotional work and as a means of getting new members.

3) The Editor — an amateur.

It was a very interesting meeting, which was made possible thanks to great efforts by the International President and the President of The Netherlands section, Theo Leenders. One positive result of the meeting was the decision regarding the "IPA-Press". It will be proposed by the International President at the Congress in Paris, "The IPA-Press will include short, up-to-date notices, which can then be used by the different sections for their own magazines."

This short resume of the activities at IBZ shows that IBZ Schloss Gimborn fulfills its function as an educational centre. It is my hope that even more sections will discover the advantages of the IBZ.

RADIO-HAMS

As I said in the introduction the Commission is currently working on producing an accurate index of all radio-hams.

It has been established that there is a lot going on in the various sections. Merit marks are obtained and different competitions are taking place in many sections according to the Section Magazines. In the Austrian Section's magazine 73 84 one can find an index of all the radio-hams in that section. The section from The Netherlands has sent their report to the Commission and their activities are described as thriving. It also includes an index of radio-hams in the section in The Netherlands.

CONCLUSION

To summarise, I have established that there are many cultural activities in the sections. This is very important, as our organisation is growing year by year and the members are expecting more varied and extensive activities. It is also important that we find a sensible way to account for all these activities. It will take time to find the right format, but I am convinced that we will succeed.

Last but not least, I would like to thank all those people who have, with their hard work, made it possible for me to write this report. Without all the work which is done in all the sections, there would be nothing for me to report.

Roy Stragner,
Chairman of the Cultural Commission,
Gothenburg — May 18th, 1984.

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INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY GENERAL'S REPORT TO THE 20TH IEC MEETING ABERDEEN, AUG 1984

Mr President,
Members,

Once again, it is my privilege to report to you on the past year insofar as the office of the International Secretary General is concerned.

On a personal basis, it has been a particularly interesting one. After 43 years, I decided that the time had come for me to retire from the police service.

Although I had several offers of consultancies or further employment, I decided that the time had come for me to devote all of my time to the work of this great Association of ours.

With the active assistance and co-operation of my old force, I was enabled to set up an office in the IPA House at Police Headquarters.

Shortly after, thanks to the initiative of Miss Elke Pfau, the Australian delegate, I was able to fly to Australia as a guest of Qantas Airlines and without any costs to the Association for my travel.

There, I was able to inspect and advise on the arrangements for the 1986 IEC Meeting in Adelaide. This was a most valuable exercise and thanks to Mr Owen Jacobson, the New Zealand delegate, it was followed by a visit to that country in connection with their Friendship Week, which will follow the IEC Meeting.

In both countries, I was able to visit National meetings; to give press, radio and TV interviews; to make courtesy calls on local dignitaries and senior police officers and most important of all to meet many IPA members.

As this was the first visit of an international officer to those distant parts, I would like to think it can only have done good for the Association and to help our Australian and New Zealand friends.

Regrettably, outside those countries, the trip did not meet with the universal approval one might have anticipated.

I returned to the United Kingdom to find that the recording of the proceedings of the IEC Meeting in Antwerp was presenting certain problems in its transcription. This resulted in the need to examine 2160m of tape centimetre by centimetre and many hours of tedious work.

As a result, the translation and printing of the minutes was delayed and this has, of course, prevented their distribution as early as I would normally have wished.

Nevertheless, I would like to express my appreciation of the work of my assistant, Mrs Pat Vallas, not only completing this task but in all the difficulties we met in setting up an office almost from scratch.

I would now like to comment on some individual items of concern to this office:

UN

It is not for me to comment in detail on our work with this body but I would be failing in my duty if I did not report that as a result of the efforts of certain politicians, a considerable amount of additional work fell on this office.

Following the visit of my Assistant Secretary General, Mr Ken Robinson, to New York, we had anticipated that we should have an improvement in our consultative status with that body.

Instead, we found ourselves the centre of certain political machinations. These resulted in almost hourly transatlantic telephone calls between my office, the British Foreign and Commonwealth Office, the United Nations, Mr Jerry Shapiro, Mr Robinson and I. This was further complicated at one stage by the fact that I was on a family visit to Canada.

The results I leave to the Chairman of the UN Commission and First Vice President, Mr Salo Epstein, to report.

20th IEC

At the same time, as a result of further political manoeuvres, it became necessary to re-consider the location for this meeting. That complication not only caused considerable embarrassment to the British Section but resulted in additional thought, work and expense in attempting to find a solution to a problem we had no reason to anticipate.

COUNCIL OF EUROPE

To our surprise, the notorious Declaration of the Police not only re-appeared on the agenda of the Human Rights Commission of this body but we found ourselves not entirely in sympathy with the views of those two other police organisations represented there, FIFSP and UISP.

IACP

This body held its first meeting in Europe in the UK. I was happy to attend as your representative and I am able to report our relations with that body are as close and as fraternal as ever.

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COLOMBIA, PAKISTAN, TAIWAN and THAILAND
and I would like to express my appreciation of the work of Mr Leenders (Netherlands) and Mr Stevens (South Africa).

We received all the necessary details for the formation of such a section in South West Africa (Namibia) but the PEB decided that in view of the present political situation the application should be deferred for the time being.

VIDEO

At the time of writing this, I am putting the finishing touches to a Report I have prepared for the PEB concerning the possibilities of producing an IPA video tape.

As I see it, in a multilingual version, this would have the merit of making our work better known to both public and possible members of our service.

Should it receive the approval of that body, it will be an item on your agenda for your consideration.

CONCLUSION

When asked by non-members what happens at our IEC meetings, in answering that question I find myself wondering whether we are not in danger of submerging our ideals in a mass of bureaucratic detail.

For myself, I can assure you that it will be my ambition to ensure that our administrative procedures are kept to the minimum, consistent with the efficient organisation of our business. Obviously I cannot answer for others.

At the same time, I shall continue to bring before you ideas which I feel may help us to bring our work to the notice of more people and so the better to achieve our aims and objectives.

I shall continue, insofar as the PEB permits, to travel as far and as often as I can to meet our members and anyone else who can help the work of the World's greatest police association, IPA.

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PROFILE

Jill Chester was born in Wellington on 25 February, 1943. Her father, Bill Craig was a Policeman who trained at the Mt Cook Training School and was stationed in Wellington 1939 to 43. He later resigned to serve overseas in the World War II and was killed in the latter stages of that war.



In the good old days, before the wrinkles had taken oven.

Jill and her mother moved to Palmerston North, her mother's home town, where she attended St Mary's Primary and St Joseph's Secondary schools, specialising in a Commercial Course of Shorthand Typing and Commercial Practice and took an active part in competitive netball and roller skating. She still skates as a means of keeping fit, not having been hooked by the jogging bug to date, although not through the lack of trying.

On leaving school she was employed by a Palmerston North company until in 1960 the lure of the 'big smoke' beckoned once again and she returned to Wellington having been accepted by the Police Department as a typist in their Information Section, her immediate supervisor being one Sgt Brian Gibson, now Assistant Commissioner Gibson.

Remember all those index cards that had to be typed for the file from the Gazette every Tuesday — Jill does — especially after the Haining Street opium raids when most of the Chinese gentlemen had three names or more which all had to be cross referenced and treated as aliases.



A quick pre-flight check

In 1961 she moved back to Palmerston North as sole typist and, in 1964, she decided that although enjoying the interesting typing work that went with a reasonably small station, the time had come to become more involved in Police work and she applied to join as a Policewoman and was accepted for the July 1964 'Paddy Tanner Recruit Wing'. After initial training she was posted to Christchurch but six months later was able to transfer back to Wellington, which had been her choice but was unavailable at the time of graduation.



Dwarfed by the then NAC it's ready for taxi clearance.

The next six years were spent in Wellington working in CIB for a short time where undercover work saw the conviction of a well know abortionist and two accomplices and a Certificate of Merit for Jill, then to the Taranaki Street Enquiry Office and Wellington Central Station at various intervals.



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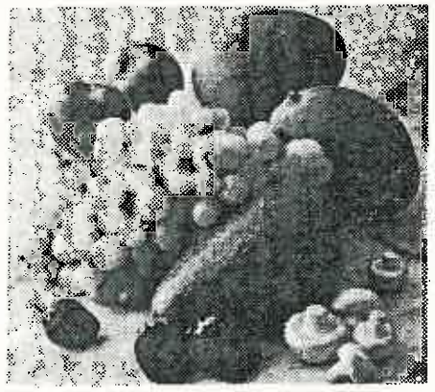

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And if you're not the pilot a bit of that.

In 1971 the travel bug struck. Not being a good 'saver' and with leave without pay being virtually unheard of, Jill resigned to join the then NAC later to become Air New Zealand, where she worked for the next 12 years, travelling extensively all over the world until in June 1983 a vacancy for a Police Matron at Auckland Central was brought to her attention and she decided to 'return to the fold'.

OK Leisure times up — hammer and nails in hand and lots of optimism.



In 1973, and stil a little apprehensive of flying, Jill started training for her Private Pilot's Licence which she gained and later went on to do commercial subjects which then opened up the opportunity for her to apply to work in the Flight Operations Departmen of Air New Zealand, dealing with the flight planning, fuel calculations, crew briefing and weather watch, the first woman to hold such a position in NAC Air NZ and to date the only one. Not being a womans libber, her reason for wanting to work in that department was purely to put all her flying and exams to good use as well as working with a subject that was also a hobby, not to break into a male stronghold.



Looks about right!

Married to an Air New Zealand pilot, a shift to Auckland came in 1980 with the closure of Wellington as a base to pilots. At this stage Robin and Jill purchased a section on the North Shore and proceeded to search for finance to build a house. Unfortunately they landed right in the middle of the housing finance freeze shortage and along with a lot of other people felt the possibilities of getting a house erected were pretty slim.

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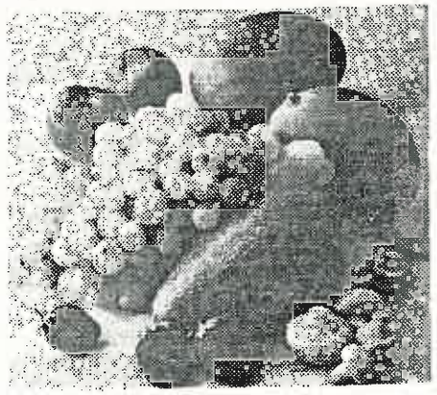

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Getting there

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Made it!

From there they gradually built their way through the rest until now it is at the interior decorating stage and things have slowed down considerably for a well earned rest. Not an easy task when both people are holding down full time demanding jobs as well, but working shift work did help to make the best of the time available. Of course there were many injuries, aches and pains, frustrations, funny moments but all in in all a very gratifying experience. A course in leadlighting has allowed Jill to add a personal touch with some leadlight windows, with still a thousand and one ideas to go when time permits.

Light aircraft flying is still the joint interest of Robin and Jill when housebuilding, time and money allow.

In recent timers the flying has been done when overseas IPA visitors have been staying

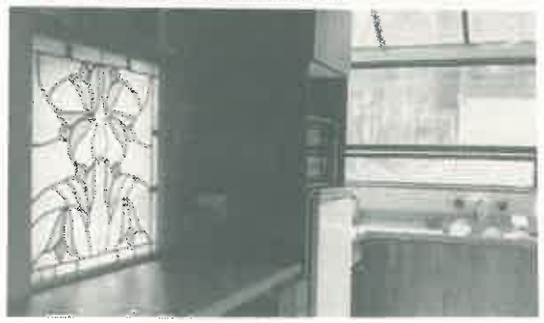


And so — it's time to relax again

which then allows the visitors to see a little more of the countryside than they were planning.



It's been tough on all of us you know



One of Jill's leadlight windows she built for a servery between kitchen/diningroom

Jill has been back in the Police for 15 months now and says that after the first 2-3 days it didn't feel like she had ever been away from it, there being so many familiar faces around it hardly seems possible that 12 years had past — apart from the odd wrinkle or two. A keen IPA member when in the Police previously, she now hopes that her travel experience over the past few years will help other IPA members enjoy the wonderful experience of 'tripping away' and it is for that reason that she accepted the position of National Travel Secretary at the recent IPA Annual General Meeting held in Wellington.

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I'm Deaf — Please Write it Down

Part I

by Ivo Davey

Here you are in the watchhouse with a deaf customer.

For those who have never had contact before with the profoundly deaf, the first reaction is shock, cultural shock. Hearing people often 'freeze' and withdraw from the situation or behave inappropriately. It is so common that it has been labelled 'shock withdrawal paralysis'.

It is very similar to the shock experienced on meeting seriously crippled people, or those badly injured in an accident, or the mentally handicapped. For the average person this meeting shatters his whole social interaction, forcing a sudden and massive reappraisal of behaviour and approach.

Accepted methods of communication, question and anser, interrogation and interpretation of answers are usually invalidated and the officer, who can not withdraw from the situation, is suddenly thrown back on his own resources. If he has not got the resiliency to adapt quickly to these new conditions and difficulties the result may be diastrous.

That is why the deaf prefer to have no contact with the Police except as a last resort. Far too often the Police have failed to adapt mentally and overcome communication difficulties.

The watchhouse is your balliwick where you are entirely at home. It is foreign territory to the deaf caller who will arrive in a state of some stress. If he finds empathy and sympathy, his stress will decrease, but if communication goes out of the window it will increase and his frustration reach boiling point.

Patience and tempers on both sides will quickly deteriorate and the Police have another dissatisfied customer and a further bad mark against them among the deaf.

Most congenitally deaf have a vocabulary no better than a 7 or 8-year-old child. They do not think analytically in words. But remember they are of normal intelligence and do think logically without language. But few congenitally deaf ever manage to progress from concrete to abstract thought. And in using language they may jumble word order or use close, but wrong words.

The deafened, who have lost hearing after learning language, have no such difficulty.

Writing is the most convenient and accurate form of commnication. As soon as you realise you have a deaf customer reach for a scribbler and a ballpoint. If your customer's speech is reasonable, let him talk, otherwise let him have a scribbler and a ballpoint to write it out for you.

Should only directions to a street or place be wanted, get a map and show him. If details must be drawn, begin with a landmark and sketch a clear map with printed directions. Like his speech, your scribble may not be easily understood.

But if the problem is more serious there will be a form to fill in and a report made. Give him the form. Let him read it and make sure he understands each question. Give him a scribbler to formulate his answers and think them out and discuss them between you before the form is filled in or before you fill it in for him from his answers.

Never show impatience and irritation. Don't tell him to go away and bring back someone else who can discuss the problem. It is HIS problem and elucidation lies between you and him, not between you and a third person with the deaf customer as a shuttlecock.

Forget about a deaf interpreter or a welfare officer unless the problem is serious and involved. Then, in everybody's interests, certainly seek out a welfare officer to help in getting the full story unscrambled. But I believe the Police should have constables trained and able to do this.

Most deaf are law-abiding. Considering the high proportion of hearing handicapped in our population, the number of deaf criminals or baddies is surprisingly low. Yet they do exist and deafness is no excuse for crime.

What is not generally realised by the hearing is that they rarely have day to day contact with the deaf because the deaf do not seek out the hearing for social life.

Regretabbly, such is the tension of being deaf in a hearing world that the deaf are happier in their own society and tend to form a sub-culture of their own except for working, when they can not hide their deafness, and for shopping when they usually can.

This identifies a major problem of deafness. The deaf are tolerated but not welcomed by the hearing. Very few people have the patience or inclination to talk with them by writing or finger spelling. Society pushes them aside, for the whole of our social structure is based on cultural lines and exchanges in which speech is the most important factor.

The Police, together with Medicine, should make the effort to welcome, harmonise with and meet the deaf on equal terms by understanding something of their problems.

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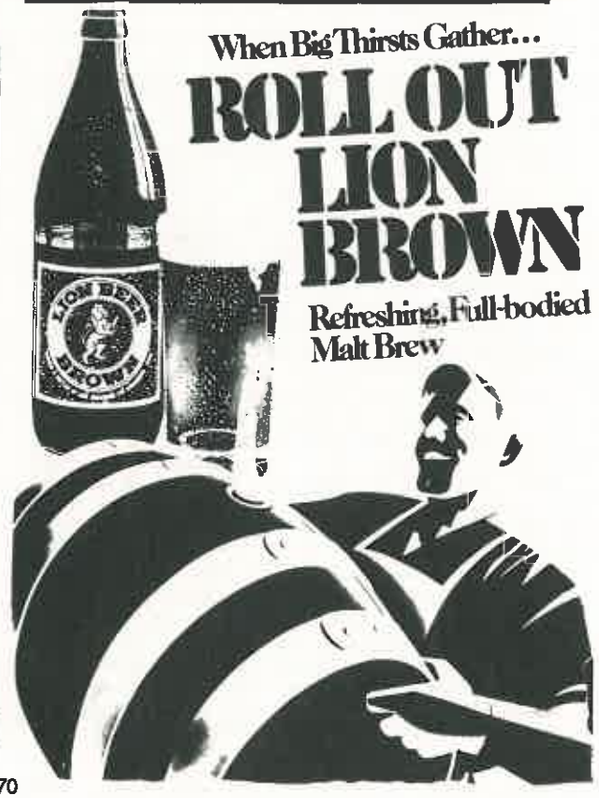


in deafness, but every constable could learn finger spelling and that would help.

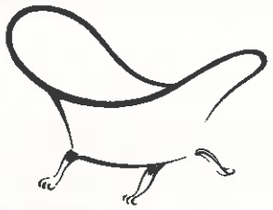
In larger cities where the deaf tend to congregate for social contacts and work opportunities, there should be a few Police who have made a special study of the problems of deafness and the deaf, who have learned to communicate with them and can be on call when a major problem involving a deaf person arises.

These specialists should become known in person and by name to the local deaf population through the Deaf Associations which should be visited periodically to break down the present barriers between deaf and Police. It would benefit both.

Similarly, all police cadets should learn finger spelling as part of their induction course. It will take about ten minutes to learn and it could be useful under some circumstances for their own communication.

A small amount of time, perhaps not more than 4 or 5 hours, could be set aside in the training programme for lectures on deafness, blindness and the handicapped in general, given by social workers and by the handicapped themselves.

Severe physical handicap goes far deeper than its superficial appearance and does affect the mentality and psychology of those afflicted. That fact must be kept in mind when interviewing such people.



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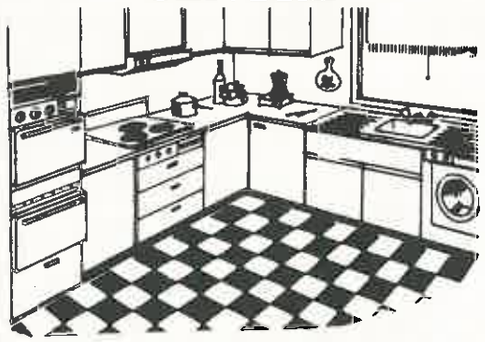

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MEMOIRS FROM A BADMINTON TOURNAMENT

by Roger Richards

One evening in late November 1983 I received a telephoned invitation from the New Zealand Badminton Federation (Inc) to allow myself to be nominated to attend the Thomas and Uber Cup Finals Series as an umpire. This series was scheduled to be conducted in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, between 7-19 May 1984. Duly flattered though I was, it was necessary to decline the invitation since financial pressures caused by an extension to my home, and keeping twins at High School and actively engaged in several expensive sports, dictated that an overseas trip was definitely not on at that stage. Besides, two previous similar invitations to accept nomination as an umpire to the Commonwealth Games in Brisbane (1982) and the World Badminton Championships at Copenhagen, Denmark, (1983) had come to nought for one reason or another and I was not optimistic of selection even had I accepted.

However, the scene altered somewhat when a further telephone call in January 1984 advised me that the air travel expenses and hotel accommodation of successful nominees would be met by the International Badminton Federation (Inc) and the Malaysian Badminton Federation (Inc) respectively. Would that alter my decision? 'Yes', I replied, 'It no doubt would', and my name went forward with two other New Zealand umpires for consideration. I was still quite pessimistic of my chances of selection, but eventually, in March, I was advised that I had been selected to attend the Kuala Lumpur series and started to take the whole thing seriously.

In New Zealand, badminton is very much a minor sport and we are lucky to attract more than one or two hundred spectators to National and International Tournaments or Championships. Sponsorship is very limited and with virtually no income 'at the gate' most of the finance to run the sport comes from the players' own pockets. Not so in eastern countries! In Malaysia, Indonesia and to a lesser extent Korea, Japan and China, badminton is a major all year round sport, attracting crowds of thousands of excitable, knowledgeable people and generous sponsorship from international companies. The cigarette empire Marlboro was the major sponsor at Kuala Lumpur, and together with Yonex, Pro Kennex, Nestles and Milo, must have contributed vast sums to underwrite the event.

The Thomas Cup for men, and the ladies' equivalent, the Uber Cup, are effectively world teams badminton championships and 1984 was the first time both events had been competed for at the same venue simultaneously. Teams qualify for the finals series through a series of zone elimination rounds which results in eight teams, automatically including the host nation and the defending holder, participating in the finals. 1984 saw the Uber Cup being competed for by the People's Republic of China, Canada, Denmark, England, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia and Japan. Thomas Cup finalists were People's Republic of China, Malaysia, Korea, Indonesia, Denmark, England, Sweden and Japan. The New Zealand Thomas Cup team (including Auckland Policeman, Jake van Selm) had earlier been eliminated in a zone play-off between Hong Kong, Australia, Phillipines, Singapore and Indonesia, played at Hong Kong where New Zealand beat Hong Kong 3 matches to 2, but lost to Indonesia 5-0. The New Zealand Uber Cup team also played their zone contest at Hong Kong with China, Australia and Hong Kong and were eliminated when beaten by China 5-0 and Hong Kong 3-2.

Under a relatively recently introduced procedure, the International Badminton Federation is compiling a pool of internationally qualified umpires to officiate at International Badminton Federation events and it was through this system that I was selected to attend and undergo evaluation for that qualification. The umpiring panel at Kuala Lumpur comprised 6 local Malaysian umpires, two from Indonesia, two from People's Republic of China, and one from each of New Zealand, Nigeria, Canada, England, India, Finland, Australia and Korea. All members of the panel underwent evaluation which consisted of a three hour written theory examination and observation of practical umpiring ability during actual Thomas and Uber Cup competition. I was the first New Zealand badminton umpire to be evaluated under the system and emerged with the classification 'Accredited International Umpire' which is a sort of a 'B' pass, but a pass none-the-less.

My journey to Kuala Lumpur on Friday, 4 May, was relatively uneventful. Auckland International Airport was bedlam — two 747's scheduled to depart for Singapore within about an hour of

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each other — 800 passengers — and good old Air New Zealand had manned 5 check-in points to cater for the lot! The waiting seemed interminable. Once aboard, Singapore Airlines lived up to their considerable reputation and delivered me safely (and early) to Changi Airport after departing Auckland 40 minutes late. Changi Airport is a tremendous advance over the sterile and uninteresting transit lounges of most international airports and a two hour stopover before boarding the Malaysian Airlines Airbus to Kuala Lumpur passed quickly.

Having been fortunate enough to fleetingly visit Kuala Lumpur in the course of an earlier tour in 1975, I was not particularly looking forward to a return visit. And so it turned out — the city is very large, hot and smelly, with little to attract the tourist. Open sewers border most streets and by New Zealand standards, the living conditions and hygiene do not impress. There is a considerable amount of new building apparent and tall new copper sheathed buildings contrast with older mosques and run-down shacks side by side. But even in the new commercial centres, the open sewers, smell, garbage and beggars persist. Shopping is not as cheap or as varied as in Singapore, but in retrospect, if one is in the market for gold jewellery, Kuala Lumpur is the place to get it. The standard product is 22 carat compared with the more usual 14 or 18 carat in Singapore and prices compare very favourably. One new and very pleasurable experience I found in Kuala Lumpur was eating fresh litchis — those white quincy tasting fruit most commonly found in a tin and served with ice-cream in New Zealand Chinese Restaurants.

My arrival in Kuala Lumpur occurred at 11pm local time (3am New Zealand time) and I discovered to my dismay that the hotel air conditioning was unserviceable. Apparently, a flash flood the day before, on a neighbouring construction site had taken out the water supply to our air conditioning coolers (24 floors up) so we sweltered and bitched and moaned for three days until the cool was restored. And even then it broke down again several times during the next couple of weeks. During that first night, sleep was too much for my room-mate, a competent English umpire with a snore to rival a chain-saw, and he embarked on a safari through the hotel in search of some relief from the oppressive heat. He returned after a short time, struggling under the awkward weight of an 8 foot high fan, snitched from the main dining room. The discovery that the power plug did not match those in our bedroom left him completely unfazed and he located a hotel mechanic to come and change the plug — all at about 3am! This accomplished, the fan roared into life like a jet engine under full boost, and anything not tied down in the room was blasted against the far wall. Sleep remained difficult to achieve, but at least the air was moving about a bit.

It took a few days for the organisation to settle into some sort of routine, but when it did, by and large, things went pretty smoothly. We had most days to ourselves, except for the occasional umpires' meeting and a half day for the written examination (I was fortunate enough to top this test) and we were expected to be at the venue by 6pm for a 7pm start. The matches seldom finished before midnight so it became usual for breakfasts the next morning to be taken late. The match venue was an outstanding one — Stadium Negara is a huge circular building — the playing surface must have a diameter of over 70 metres, and the extraordinary domed roof reaches perhaps the same height — 70 metres.

Surrounding the centre playing surface, tiered public seating caters for 14,000 people, and the whole edifice includes normal stadium facilities, plus conference rooms, police room and press facilities. The world class badminton was of course absolutely brilliant, with top players such as Morten Frost (Denmark), Liem Swi King (Indonesia), Misbun Sidek (Malaysia), Kirsten Larsen (Denmark), Li Lingwei (China) and a host of others displaying their particular brand of magic nightly. Conditions for play were difficult though, mainly through the savage heat. The stadium is not air conditioned and with thousands of spectators and television and playing lighting, the outside temperature of 30°C+ becomes 40°C+ inside.

Special allowances had to be made for players to change their clothing after each game (not usually permitted in badminton) and court assistants armed with mops were provided at each court full-time for wiping up perspiration.

A further difficulty for umpires and players was the crowd noise — New Zealand spectators — what there are of them, may clap politely after a particularly exciting rally. Malaysian crowds create bedlam throughout the match and it is completely impossible for an umpire to make himself heard on court. Even the players had difficulty hearing and frequently relied on the electronic scoreboards (operated by two more of the small army of court officials) to keep track of the game score. Because throughout the competition, until the final two nights, four courts were operating simultaneously, public address systems could not be employed to assist the umpires.

During the two week Tournament it became apparent that there is no love lost between teams from Europe and those from Asia. The Europeans have not quite come to terms with the Asian superiority and their manners leave quite a lot to be desired too. The Europeans were loud-mouthed, brash, and swore frequently on court, often questioning umpires and service judges and generally failing to endear themselves to anyone. By contrast the Asians, and in particular the Chinese, Japanese and Koreans, were beautifully behaved and extremely disciplined and charming people all round.

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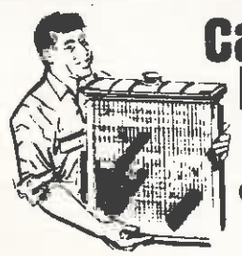

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During the two week Tournament visiting umpires were treated very hospitably by the locals. We were taken to their homes and entertained with excellent home cooking, Malaysian style, and shown around the countryside to our heart's content.

We were also guests at two magnficient multi-course Chinese banquets — to celebrate the IBF and the Malaysian Badminton Federation Jubilees. These apart, hotel food was very expensive, everything subject to 10% tax plus 10% service charge. Local restaurants did not impress — the hygiene was very suspect, especially for one with such a sensitive stomach as mine, so the Colonel from Kentucky and Mr MacDonald's fine hamburgers attracted us more than occasionally. The local water was also very suspect and therefore also the ice. Canned beverages aded to the cost of living. Fresh fruit and packaged fruit juices were comparatively cheap though and helped to make life tolerable.

A small party of New Zealanders arrived for the final week's play, but our paths did not cross to any great extent. The Tournament opened with pomp and ceremony with a teams march past, accompanied by the local Police brass band — very high quality — and closed with a similar ceremony involving the first three teams from both Uber and Thomas Cup Competitions. The Uber Cup was won easily by China over an English team which surprised everyone by getting so far, and the men's competition was won by Indonesia over China — 3-2. The final was televised live by Satellite to Peking and Jakarta — multi-millions of viewing audience no doubt, and five 747's of supporters from Indonesia were specially chartered to provide transport for supporters to attend the final. The game is certainly major business in that part of the world.

And so we turned for home. The Australian umpire with whom I teamed up for much of the time and myself, spent a very enjoyable three days in Singapore on the way home and were extremely well and generously entertained by Robyn and Paul Fitzharris and family whilst there. Much last minute spending was the order of the day, assisted greatly by the advice of our man on the spot as to where the best bargains were to be obtained.

And so we entrusted ourselves and our bags to Air New Zealand for the homeward leg on 22 May, utterly fatigued and exhausted and looking forward to cool, sweet-smelling New Zealand. I found the whole experience invaluable from a badminton and umpiring point of view and am confident that I can apply the experiences and lessons learned to local advantage. I concluded that that part of the world has very little to offer a tourist (Singapore apart), however, and would not recommend any traveller to spend much of his valuable time seeking scenic pleasures there.

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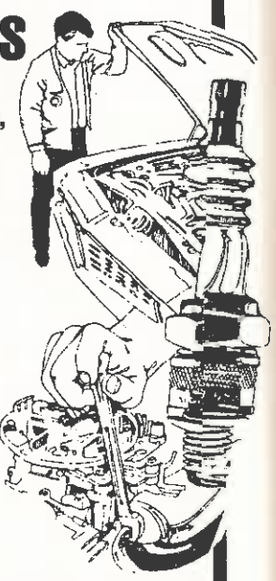

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With all the nonchalance of the seasoned traveller, I presented my British Airways ticket at the Auckland International Airport Check-In Counter recently and proceeded to ignore my suitcase which was soon rattling along the conveyor belt and out of sight. After completing documentation I had a quick browse around the duty free shop but I was startled by the prices and resolved to do my duty free shopping at my destination. It is worth mentioning here, however, that Police travellers should look carefully now at New Zealand duty free prices in the light of the 20% devaluation. Obviously when you have to pay NZ $2 for US $1, there will be some bargains, especially on present stocks, and during the price freeze.

Soon I settled down in the boarding lounge for the inevitable long wait. Airlines seem to conspire against the traveller by making him wait long periods in the boarding lounge so that when the lounge is absolutely bursting at the seams and people have reached the end of their tether with excitement, they will then spring onto the aircraft in double quick time. Today, however, held a pleasant surprise. It was only a few minutes when British Airways Flight BA10 to Sydney, Perth, Bombay and London, was called and embarkation began very smartly on time at 1645 hours. This was after all a Friday. I was frankly amazed at the ease and efficiency of the ground staff in handling what was to be a very full flight. I was lucky enough to find myself seated well forward in Row 19 and I found the seating arrangements very comfortable, unlike some domestic services.

At 1701 hours our journey to Sydney commenced with a very quiet rumbling as we coasted down the runway for a smooth lift off. I have travelled a number of places and sometimes much further but for the first time I sat down to take a critical look at the newest of the Auckland to Sydney international air services. British Airways fly once a week on a Friday to Sydney, leaving shortly after 5pm and the return may also be made on an early morning flight from Sydney back to Auckland. In many ways the service suits the worker and the tourist who likes to jet straight off to a lazy weekend after the weekly grind. Many businessmen have tended to use the Monday morning service to Sydney and virtually arrive straight on the job. For my part, however, I would recommend, even to the businessman, that a pleasure weekend in Sydney would allow greater preparation for any mission involving selling or negotiation. There are obvious advantages to not rushing into business. What better way than to spend the first few hours after a week's work, then by wining and dining on a well established and well respected international airline?

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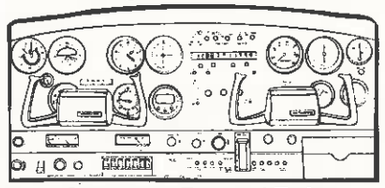

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Only once on this flight did I see any of the staff ruffled. During the flight safety demonstration procedure, a pretty young hostess donned a life jacket and while standing in the aisle was nervously fondling the lengthy inflation nozzle. For some reason this appealed to the baser instincts of a group of Sydney rugby players seated immediately in front of her. They viewed her slight display of nervousness with raucous laughter and catcalls. Reddening slightly the hostess turned to the most voluble of the bunch and said in a very typical English accent, "you know everything there is to know about life jackets do you son?" The affect was dramatic and immediate. All the players stopped laughing and the nearest guilty party found himself diminishing rapidly into the confines of his own seat.

Whether or not the hostess was using a well drilled tactic for putting down a smart alec or did not cotton to the reason for the laughter, is quite immaterial. It worked a treat. More to this girl's credit was the fact that having won the day she very soon warmed forgivingly and continued to ensure that drinks and hospitality flowed. Passengers and players alike were soon buzzing with excited conversation and enjoying an excellent three course meal.

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A quiet touchdown at busy Kingsford Smith Airport brought my pleasant trip to a close all too soon but the promise of a return journey left me well satisfied for the moment.

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My enquiries show that this convenient new service by British Airways has been thoroughly welcomed by the travelling public and it is just great to be in Sydneytown in time for a Friday night out at the "Rocks" or "Les Girls" or one of the bigger and better known nightclubs, following by a leisurely stroll through the Flemington Markets at the weekend. Apart from the obvious delights to be found in the stalls it is sometimes quite amusing to watch the antics of fellow Kiwis with British Airways bags stuffed full of radios, cassette players, and other bargains gleaned from the market with prices they never dreamed of at home. A word of warning here though. Before deciding an article is cheap, one has to take into account the exchange rate and secondly, from my experience you can almost always get prices knocked down a dollar or two with determined bargaining.

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The first stop, Japan, after a dreary trip facing the bulkhead on a JAL 707. I thought they were obsolete. A brief stopover at Nandi, where we looked in the Duty Free shops at the $109 belts and Christian Dior ties. Duty Free is a joke these days.

In Tokyo, the first surprise was the bus driver, who took us from Narita to the city, about 70kms away. He was wearing white gloves! And a cap! He was neat, and I don't mean it as the kids mean it. His bus was immaculate, and he had a lovely lass with him whose sole function was to assist him to park the vehicle, and to bow to each passenger in turn as they got on or off the bus. It became normal to see all busdrivers like this, plus, would you believe, all the taxi drivers, with cabs all dressed in satin like bridal cars. White gloves is the business to be in in Japan.

The overwhelming impression of Japan, after the hordes of people, is efficiency and cleanliness. Everybody is smartly dressed in business suits and white shirts. Staff from the various businesses can be seen in the early mornings outside their premises doing physical jerks. And apparently liking it. Driving is on our side of the road, and it is just like home, with all the Japanese cars. Crime, I was led to believe is very low, and this can probably be attributed to several factors. No racial problem, as everybody in Japan is Japanese, due to a 300 year period of isolationism lasting up into the twentieth century. There is no religious schism, as everybody is either Bhuddist or Shintoist, with no apparent friction. 0.8% is Christian. Everybody takes a pride in his appearance and work. Employment is from after school leaving until old age, in the same company. The companies are mini-states, with their own medical and retirement schemes. Everybody seems to have a job, and loyalty to the giant companies is intense.

Japan is little bigger than New Zealand in size, and has 118,000,000 people, 11,000,000 of them in Tokyo. That's a lot of white shirts and ties. Blue sky is not apparent, even on sunny June days with 30°C temperatures . . . It is a haze which is all too familiar around the world, notably in Europe. Oh yes! Expensive. Did I mention that? Even before devaluation, in June, it was a case of look, don't buy. Apples, big ones, but floury, $1.80 each, and bananas four for $5. Beer at $4 per bottle helps not at all. So all the good things in life are not free in Japan. Meat is frightfully expensive, so is clothing and everything else.

The Bullet train is an experience not to be missed. From Tokyo to Kyoto, 500km (300 miles) in 2 hours 40 minutes, with one stop at Nagoya. About the same as the 12 hour grind from Wellington to Hamilton. If the train doesn't leave on time or is late arriving, you buy a new watch, because the watch is faulty not the train. Even the subway trains in Tokyo are spotless and super efficient. Have you been on the London Tube!

Kyoto is a beautiful city, a small town in Japan, only 1.8 million people. Too little space here to describe anything, except for an astounding performance at a Castle we visited, by two karate experts. They smashed 12 roof tiles, by hand and by head. Then a volunteer from the audience (not me) laid on the floor with a water melon on his stomach while a Samurai warrior brought down his razor sharp sword with great force to completely slice the melon through without disembowelling the hapless quivering volunteer. They did a lot of bowing as well.

From Kyoto to Kobe on the Bullet Train, then by ferry across the Inland Sea to Takamatsu. The ferry trip reminded me of the Picton ferry, because of the immense gap between the two services. It is a four hour trip on a very nice vessel, with first class service. The only thing the Picton ferry has which can be said to be superior is the magnificent scenery of the Sounds. Takamatsu is a nice little place, 310,000 people. After a short stay and another pleasant ferry trip, we returned to Honshu Island again to Okayama, then by bus to Kurashika, then once again on the Bullet train to Hiroshima, most of that trip being through tunnels, one of which goes under the water for about 27km. Hiroshima is a beautiful modern city, with the only reminder of 6 August, 1945, being the derelict building left standing in the approximate position of the epi-centre of the atomic bomb, as a monument. The Peace Park is adjacent to this building, and is most impressive with it's Peace Bell, Memorial Rose Garden, museum and other

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reminders of the holocaust. A stirring experience to visit. Coventry Cathedral affected me more. This is a city (Hiroshima) of green trees, and wide streets, and in the Spring of 1946, so we were informed, the grass and other plants began to shoot as normal.

Lovely gardens abound in Japan, all greenery, without colour. No flowers. It is a beautiful country, and prosperity is so apparent in every way. They know about marketing, hygiene and good manners, and seven day a week shopping and service. Even the ice creams have little plastic covers on them. They don't know about grafitti, slovenly behaviour, filthy public toilets and boorishness. In their country, I mean.

After Hiroshima we spent a night in Fukuoka, then flew by JAL DC6 to Pusan in South Korea. There we had a couple of days in a lovely resort hotel in Kyongju, an hour from Pusan, visiting Bhuddist temples and beautiful gardens, and the burial mounds of The Korean Kings. Korea has little reason to love the Japanese, as they have been occupied twice. A five hour bus drive took us to Seoul, the capital of South Korea. The highway was beautiful, a two road system, like the autostrada, or autobahn, or freeway, the difference being that there are hardly any motor cars on them. The ratio is five buses to every car, plus commercial vehicles. I counted 8 buses per minute, all the way it seemed. All the cars seem to be Hyundai Ponys. The whole distance from Pusan to Seoul seems to be one immense rice paddy. It is said that 80% of the arable land in the country is rice paddy. It is a beautiful country but the prosperity of Japan is missing.

Seoul has 9 million people and is a fine city. Crossing the street is by subway, and these subways are hazardous, as it is very easy to get lost in one. They branch off at angles and every subway is a large shopping centre, and I mean large. We visited the Royal Palace, the obligatory temple and museum. Also the 1988 Olympic site, which amazingly is already almost ready. All the major buildings are complete, the main stadium etc. Very impressive. For some completely unfathomable reason, we were not permitted to take photographs there, for security reasons we were told. It was difficult for us to understand how the national security could be endangered by the taking of photographs of some Olympic stadia.

After a few very pleasant days is Seoul, we went off to the airport for the trip to Taiwan. I nearly bought a $10,000 Omega watch in the Duty Free shop, but resisted the urge. The duty free golf balls were 30% dearer there than in Ernie Southerden's pro shop at the Napier Golf Club. By Cathay Pacific Tristar to Taiwan, only two hours, but very cramped. Give me Air New Zealand any time. Taipeh is another multi-million city, very interesting and with some good shopping. Very warm here too, 30°C, but still no sign of blue sky, even on the sunniest days. We visited the Chiang Kai Shek Memorial Hall, the museum, with its beautiful collection of Jade and ivory, and the Temple! A few days in Taipeh, then off to Chiang Kai Shek airport for the 90 minute flight to Hong Kong. This was our third visit to Hong Kong and it was nice to be back. The 4.2 million Chinese all seemed to be familiar.

Our week in Hong Kong was interrupted by a short trip into Red China. We went by train from Kowloon station to Canton, or Guanghzou as it is now called. It was a three hour trip by slow train through poor country with most inferior dwellings, almost ramshackle. Canton has a huge population, something like 9 million, give or take a million or two. We stayed in the lovely White Swan Hotel, on the 22nd of 30 floors. Plush indeed, in contrast to the buildings in the city. Much of it seems to be tin shacks, or very old buildings, and the few new buildings which are being erected seem to be being constructed of second hand bricks. There are no motor vehicles on the streets, except buses and some taxis, but there are millions of bicycles. It is still just as difficult to get across the street. A very low standard of living is apparent. A third hotel of international standard is being built. Just consider: two hotels and 9 million people. It is somewhat chastening to visit Canton. We did go to the zoo and see the famous pandas. Canton, has a special shopping centre for tourists only, where there is a very wide range of goods available, very cheap. This shop is not available to the general populace, and presumably the prices would be too high for them, although to us, compared with other cities we had visited, prices were very low.

Our short visit included the Sun Yat Sen Memorial Hall, very large, poorly maintained. We caught a hovercraft back to Hong Kong and were escorted out of Red China on the vessel by a guard, who could have been a policeman or a soldier, who wore a very obvious GUN. He kept a weather eye on us, but did not even remark on my IPA badge. He was too busy looking for whites under the bed.

Back in Hong Kong, the shopping went on unabated. We went into every shop — twice. We had the pleasure of dining with Dave Lee and his wife, Beverley. Members will recall Dave as a former Detective Sergeant in Christchurch, who later became General Secretary of the Police Association. Dave is now a Magistrate and Coroner in Hong Kong. We also had the pleasure of dining with Bill Howells and his wife, also Beverley. Bill was a former Detective Sergeant in Dunedin and is now in business in Hong Kong.

After a hectic week, back on Air Nugini another 707 very cramped like sardines, with a short stop at Port Moresby to straighten up, before Auckland and the cold weather.

And that's as brief as I can be.

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ESTABLISHING A CELLAR

For the wine drinker who is starting to get serious about wine, the establishment of a cellar is a 'must'.

The term "cellar" seems to immediately conjure up thoughts of a subterranean place that is dank, dark and cold. If you have access to a place with that sort of characteristic, fine. However a house-hold cellar for the proper storage of wine need not be below ground. Essentially a cellar should be cool, free from sunlight and draughts, and preferably damp, but not necessarily so. Dampness in a cellar serves a two-fold purpose. It does assist to maintain a cool temperature, and it also keeps the outside section of the corks moist and prevents the cork from being attacked by the cork borer. Too much mositure however can send labels mouldy so that you may have difficulty reading them.

Your cellar should also be free from vibration, so try to keep it away from the floor where your automatic washer, or tumbler drier operates. A cupboard or old wardrobe on the cool side of the house is probably quite sufficient for most people. If you must store a few bottles in a wine rack in your lounge room, make sure that it is out of the line of direct sunlight, and also away from an open fire, electric heater, or radiator. Light and heat can damage the colour and taste of a wine quite quickly.

Always lay the bottles on their side or at a downward angle so that the contents cover the inside surface of the cork and keep it moist. Moist corks stay tightly sealed, and even if they weep a little this should correct itself in time. If you are unlucky enough to strike a cork that weeps persistently, open the bottle and drink it soon, for the contents will not improve with keeping. As a general rule, most wines will improve with keeping, though red wines will improve much more than will white wines. Muller Thurgau (riesling sylvaner) New Zealand's most popular white wine is best drunk young, but certain of the sweeter types if kept do mature into rich honey-like wines with a fruity fragrance.

If you are adventurous why not try the varietal white wines like Semillon; Sauvignon Blanc; Gewurztraminer, or if you prefer a drier style, Chardonnay. New Zealand makes some of the finest Sauvignon Blanc and Gewurztraminer in the world, and can surpass that made in the Loire Valley, France (the acknowledged home of Sauvignon Blanc) or Alsace (where the Gewurztraminer grape grows best).

For many years, wine buffs have tended to scorn New Zealand red wines, but then they might not have had the pleasure of tasting a 1981 Te Mata Cabernet Sauvignon, or a Babich 1981 Pinot Noir. Admittedly the quaffing reds have not been as good a quality as the whites, but they are improving.

What wines should you include in your infant wine cellar? I would suggest that you start your basic cellar with 18 to 24 bottles.

Cabernet Sauvignon (4-6 bottles) McWilliams, Montana, Nobilos) select different vintages so that you can compare wines by the same maker made in different years.

Pinot Noir (3 bottles) Vidals, Babich, St Helena, if you live in the South Island or Montana Marlborough.

Pinotage (2 bottles) Nobilos, Totara, Marlborough Montana.

Chardonnay (2-3 bottles) Cooks expensive, Selaks, Delegats, Morton Estate if you live near Katikati, Montana Gisborne or Vidals PB.

Gewurztraminer (2-3 bottles) Matawhero if you live near Gisborne, Villa Maria, Collards if you live in Auckland, Corbans PB.

Sauvignon Blanc (2-3 bottles) Matua Valley, Mission, Montana Marlborough, Villa Maria, Morton Estate.

Muller Thurgau (Riesling Sylvaner) (3-4 bottles) Makers seem to market the sweeter version under the former name, while the dry style tends to be marketed under the riesling sylvaner name. (Most wine-makers make a good job of this grape, and price is not necessarily an indication of the best quality.) Take your pick.

For added interest and as you can afford it, I would add to the basic cellar: A good quality sweet wine (such as a NZ McWilliams Ice Wine, Delegats Auslese, Corbans PB Auslese, or a French Barsac, or Sauternes; a German Auslese.) A selection of imported red wines, you will find well aged Spanish wines, Siglo, are reasonably priced, and soft well rounded wines that are pleasant drinking. For those who prefer sturdier red wines, look at some Australian Shiraz, (Penfolds, Tyrrells and Wolf Blass). Victoria (Taltarni, Brown Brothers) turns out some real "blood and guts" wines with lots of tannin, body but they need to be cellared for a number of years to reach their peak and achieve a mellow quality.

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I have found that some 650 members of the International Police Association are also members of the Police and Families Credit Unit and, therefore, the situation exists that these 650 members, if they so desired, could pay their annual subscriptions through the Police and Families Credit Union. This, of course, would be of benefit to those 650 members and of course to the IPA itself.

Very few members have completed the green automatic salary deduction form which authorises a deduction. However, a form has been supplied in this issue of our journal.

To overcome the problem which presently exists, at the Annual General Meeting held in Wellington on the 27th of April 1984, I was given the approval of that Annual General Meeting to act on behalf of all members of the International Police Association who were also members of the Police and Families Credit Union to authorise the deduction of 40 cents per pay by way of annual subscription.

I am concerned, however, to make sure that any of our members who do not wish me to use that authorisation on the member's behalf, has the opportunity to object accordingly. That is what the form opposite is for and any member who does not wish to pay his annual subscription by way of 40 cents per pay through the Police and Families Credit Union, is urged to complete that form and forward it to me as soon as possible.

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I sincerely thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

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HAWKES BAY REGION

by Ross Pinkham



Whilst the Napier Police District stretches from Lake Tutira in the North to Dannevirke in the south the Province of Hawkes Bay stretches from north of the Mahia Penninsula to Dannevirke.

Diverse in land formations with lakes, mountains, rolling plains and native bush, Hawkes Bay forms the eastern edge of the North Island. Because of the mountain range in the centre of North Island stretching from southern Bay of Plenty to Wellington, Hawkes Bay is isolated from the other provinces and only three main highways give access to nearby provinces: north to Gisborne, west to Taupo and south to the Wairarapa and the Manawatu.

The Hawkes Bay province is not to be confused with Hawkes Bay, the bay of sea out from the city of Napier. The bay in the form of a fish hook is bound by the famous points of Mahia Peninsula and Portland Island in the north and Cape Kidnappers in the south. Like all areas of New Zealand, Hawkes Bay is steeped in history and whilst not wishing to compare various areas of New Zealand with Hawkes Bay, the province must be one of the oldest settled areas in the country. That apart is not a reason to stifle progress and areas within the district have flourished into highly productive and intensive farming, manufacturing and agricultural industries.

What is so different about Hawkes Bay? Is it that the two main cities are only 10 miles apart, each with a population of over 60,000 people: or is it that the 1931 earthquake destroyed Napier city and demolished many of Hastings' buildings: or is it because horticulture and agriculture have a strangle hold on the New Zealand export market. These alone do not make Hawkes Bay different and consideration must be given to the legends of the Urewera, the massive pulp mill at Whirimaki, the largest land colony of Gannets in the Southern Hemisphere at Cape Kidnappers, the millions of tins of produce prepared by the Wattie conglomorate, and the famous Marineland and Aquarium of the Napier foreshore.



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Whilst many tourist magazines can give you a better resume of activities and highlights within the province, I'll endeavour to cover some of the more popular attractions.

To the north is Mahia Penninsula and Portland Island. A significant and important landmark for early shipping and now provides valuable communications for shipping along the east coast of the North Island. A favourite resort for the holidaymakers of the province and the area provides facilities for scuba diving, boating, skiing and yachting.



Inland from the town of Wairoa is Lake Waikaremoana. Tranquil, serene, and set within the rim of the Urewera National Park. One wonders whether the description of the lake gives a false sense of security to its visitors as it also has the reputation of danger, and many a tramper, hiker and boatie has experienced the fright produced by sudden climatic changes whilst travelling in and around the lake. A smaller lake nearby, Waikane-Iti, provides a peaceful surrounding for the tramper among the native bush. This lake is an hours walk away from the main road and because of its isolation is rarely visited by the tourist.

The production of wine in the province provides a great percentage of the country's wine. Hawkes Bay can produce good quality grapes, and has the expert knowledge and ability to make the grapes into good wines. The Hawkes Bay wine trail has become a feature of the tourist industry both to the vintners and the buying public. It has opened up the wineries and given many opportunities to taste and appreciate wine, and in many instances learn about the use of wine from the knowledgeable sales people. The trail includes the Mission Vineyards and McWilliams Wines on the outskirts of Taradale. Mission Wines have been making wine since 1895. The making of good wine is one of the tasks which Fathers and Brothers of the Society of Mary, Catholic Church, combine with their studies.



McWilliams Wines have hospitality cellars near their winery. Many tourists have tried their wines and delegates at the 1982 New Zealand IPA Annual General Meeting will remember their wine trail with fond memories. Other Hawkes Bay vintners include the popular brands of Glenvale, Vidals and Brookfields, with smaller but exceedingly popular brands of Eskdale, Te Mata Lombardi and Ngatanawa.

The earthquake of 1931 demolished Napier. History shows that the centre of Napier, Bluff Hill and the adjacent commercial area was nearly completely surrounded by the sea. As a result of the earthquake, which demolished the commercial and residential area the mudflats and shallow inland waterways were raised out of the ground and now form an integral part of the Napier suburbia. The Hawkes Bay Harbour Board became the proud owner of acres and acres of land. Following 1931 the Board developed this into residential land and now many of the sections are leasehold land still owned by the Harbour Board. Rebuilding Napier was a mammoth task and regeneration took time. 1984 sees a new wave of building and the inner city is now having the new buildings of the 1930's replaced by modern, servicable architecture.



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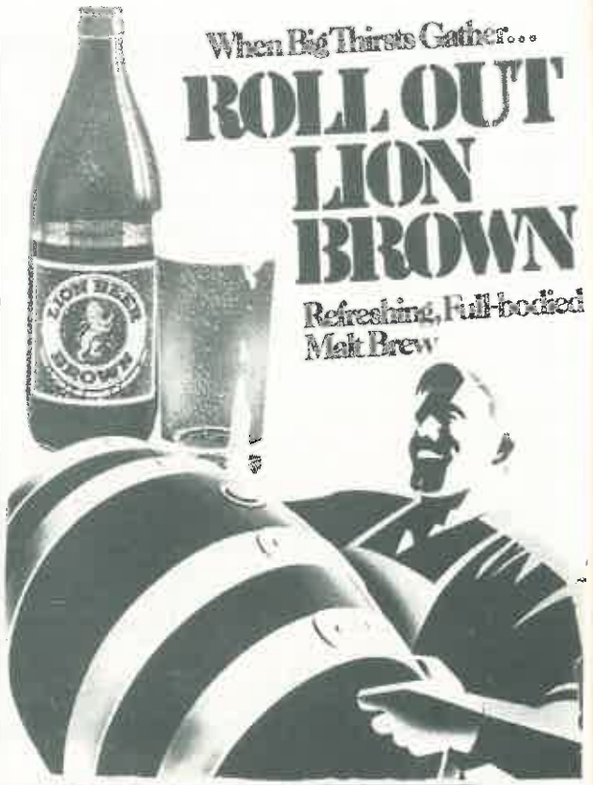

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Progress, too, is seen on the Marine Parade of Napier. Lined with Norfolk Pines, Marine Parade is the centre attraction for holidaymakers, tourists, sightseers and locals alike. From one end of the Parade to the other, attractions vary to cater for tastes. The Nocturnal Wildlife House is the home of kiwis, moreporks, native frogs, oppossums, bush geckos, glow worms and wetas. A chance for the visitor to see and touch the creatures in the dim world of nature. The secondary goal is to stimulate breeding by the creation of the most natural environment possible, eventually to transfer them and even to liberate them to the real night. The tiny tot town of Lilliput turns adults into children. The model railway houses and townships provide comparisons of real life. Marineland and the giant 450,000 litre tank at The Aquarium need little introduction. Whilst controversy surrounds the catching, captivity and training of the blue nose dolphin, thousands of visitors appreciate the antics of the displaying sealions, seals and dolphins. Breeding at the Aquarium is of prime importance but it is the giant tanks which provides hours of enjoyment to the "fish watchers", Tuatara, lizards, turtles, tortoises and alligators share the display rooms. Children find the excitement of row boats, wash boats, go-carts and train rides in abundance and many a parent has left with an empty pocket trying to please all.



Readily patronised attractions gain all the publicity, but what of the obscure attractions. An hours' drive inland from Napier, off the tar seal road to Puketitiri. Once the heartland of the milling in Rissington area, now a quiet farming community with small school and country store. Puketitiri is the home of the collection of New Zealand's past. Stored in a corrugated iron shed is a collection of over 5000 relics, old cars, buggies, farm equipment, washing machines, saw milling equipment, household articles, the collection goes on. Open most weekends the avid car fan can croon over a restored five litre 1910 Austin, or the 1920 Buick or the 1931 Studebaker Pierce Arrow. For the Colonial, a chance to see the Imperial Humber or the 1925 Rolls-Royce. From cars to antiques. From bottles to car number plates. The Puketitiri Museum has them all.

One can also visit the well publicised commercial ventures of the tannery factories. The Ashcroft Honey House, the South Pacific Orchids and historic stables, restaurants and displays.

Hastings, the Fruit Bowl of New Zealand, providing export quality fruit for the overseas and national market. The rich Heretaunga Plains provides nutrition for the millions of trees, both stone and pip fruit. The promising marketing possibilities for new ranges of fruit sees many conservative sheep farmers changing to the popular kiwifruit. Millions of dollars now are realised from this fruit and Hawkes Bay orchardists have not been slow in taking advantage of it. Deer farming, too, has flourished and huge farms have developed and the venison market fully established.



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WINTER VACATION IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Bob Fleming

On Friday 1 June last, my wife and I flew from Wellington to Auckland and then on a British Airways flight direct to Perth, Western Australia. That is a long time in the air. It helps one appreciate the vastness of that Continent called Australia.

We arrived at our apartment in Perth at 1am local time, but 5am New Zealand time which our bodies were still ticking on, jet-lagged but pleased to be there as on landing at 11.30pm the pilot announced the temperature in Perth was still 22 deg C. Marvellous.

Next morning our near new Commodore rental car was delivered. It was a six cylinder, automatic with power steering and air conditioning (which was used frequently). We immediately drove to Fremantle and found a beautiful seafood restaurant overlooking the Indian Ocean. One dozen raw oysters were on my plate with Thousand Island sauce and other goodies. Next day I promised myself to watch this rich Australian food — wow do they know how to eat?



Bob with the Indian Ocean as backdrop, after having lunch at the Polynesian Restaurant, Atlantis, YANCHEP NATIONAL PARK

Many trips followed south, north and East. It is a beautiful city, clean, sprawling, well set out with the lovely Swan River meandering through the heart of the City of Perth. Excellent shopping, especially in the suburbs, those massive Shopping plaza complexes which house such big department stores as Target, K-Mart and Myers — places where Kiwis go nearly mad buying nearly everything in front of them. On this trip I figured there isn't much else I want, got all of it last year in Queensland but still got charged $100 (Aus) overweight — so I guess I didn't buy everything up on the last trip.

Drove north east of Perth to a place called Wooroloo to the El Caballo Blanco — translated to mean The White Horse. It is the famous Spanish Horse Riding Show and well worth the drive, a lovely day out and one to remember. South took us on the Albany Freeway to the Pioneer Village which is a whole village built as they were last century and the odd bit of acting out of games of 'two-up' until the Constable (in the uniform of a 19th century WA policeman) broke it up. All the shops were open and sold anything from 19th century type sweets, ice cream to leatherwork and jewellery. Another great day. Another nice drive south to have lunch at Anne Hathaway's Cottage, built exactly as the one in the UK.

Having met the President of the Australian Section of IPA at our AGM a few weeks earlier, I had an invitation to call and see her at Police Headquarters in Perth, a 7 minute walk from our apartment. The building was impressive, modern, and half-moon shaped with the Central Police Station built on the back and side. Views from the upper floors gave more impressive panoramas of a lovely city with its causeway and two bridges crossing the Swan River into the City centre and southern suburbs.



Building in centre of photo is Police Headquarters, Perth. The Swan River can just be seen behind the HQ building

Val Doherty the President presented me with my 'pride and joy' gift — a West Australian IPA pennant, which now hangs proudly in my office. Val also showed me around the very impressive HQ Building and also introduced me to quite a few WA members of the IPA. I met one Chief Inspector Fielding who attended Manly Police College with some of our New Zealand Police

Commissioned Officers. I was made very welcome by everyone and found not only the police but most Western Australian people to be very polite and friendly. Also was introduced to two members of the WA Police Traffic Branch in a separate building in East Perth. Sergeant Laurie Melling and Constable 1st Class, Mike Anicich who took me on a brief but enjoyable patrol. Police wall plaques were swapped and cuff links and tie bars swapped and bought.

The Highway Patrol cars and vehicles cover very vast areas of the Freeways and Highways of WA. The equipment in the vehicles would make our MOT Traffic Division very jealous. A lot of motorcycle officers too. The WA Police Officer impressed me as one of the smartest I have seen in Australia. Sergeant Val Doherty now has a NZ Police helmet in her office and I have a WA cap in mine.



Laurie, again, on a Police Traffic 750cc motorcycle

The climate in Perth is just perfect in winter and the sunsets and sunrises are nothing less than spectacular, bright orange skies that light up the sides of the city's skyscrapers. The temperature range in June was from 22 to 27 degrees Celsius. Housing, mostly spanish styled is very cheap in and around Perth. Swimming pool and double garage in most. I was informed that a lot of New Zealanders lived in Perth. I can now believe it. It is not only the largest State in Australia but the richest from its minerals and this shows in Perth from the beautiful buildings and excellent freeways and highways.

The West Australians are very proud of the fact that they beat the USA to win the America's Cup. Some car number plates have this fact on them, "WA Home of the America's Cup", whereas the majority have "WA State of Excitement", on them. Good on them, they have good reason to be proud.

Another fantastic day out was north from Perth to Atlantis which is a large marine park with all the sea animals you could wish for and this is on a beach front in Yanchep National Park. Certainly worth seeing with the performing dolphins and sea lions. A huge glass sided tank allowed us to watch — a very brave diver hand feeding sharks, including a sting ray. I enjoyed it very much BUT, from the safety of the outside of the huge tank. Got some photos of this but they weren't as clear as I would have liked.



Laurie Melling leaning on yellow Highway Patrol wagon with Roo Bars

Now to break your heart, WA Police Officers get Long Service Leave every SEVEN years. And more annual leave than we get, also a better salary, I believe. I have it from a reliable source that it is the hardest police force to be recruited into in Australia. And I believe it too. Every police officer I saw in WA impressed me by his her smart appearance.

The WA equivalent to our 'I' car appeared to be a ute with a Lo-Line canopy for prisoners but cars, both Ford Falcons and GM Commodores appeared to be their 'E' car and Traffic Car. The latter having a V8 motor. They also have special Traffic cars which attend motor accidents, which have a red reflective stripe right around the vehicle. The Highway patrol is a ute with Roo bars up front and is coloured deep yellow. Jim King is O/C of the Crime Prevention Bureau at Police HQ in Perth and while talking to him he saw me looking at a Neighbourhood Watch Kit — something different though — he smiled and confessed he had been to New Zealand and they have now 'borrowed' the idea from us. The difference? The transfer with the policeman in the centre has his helmet changed for a cap in the WA version, other than that — none. What surprised me was that they had no Youth Aid Section or equivalent there. Nor Community Constables. I found myself explaining to quite a few officers what a Community Constable's duties were. They appeared quite interested in both this and Youth Aid work. They do have a Public Affairs Branch and the Community Affairs Officer was Sgt Val Doherty herself — as well as President of the Australian Section of the IPA. A very busy girl is Val.



Bob with Sgt Laurie Melling, Police Traffic Branch, Perth – stripe around car is red reflectorised for "Accident" car

A few days in Melbourne before returning home was enjoyable. I made no contact there with the police. But what I saw did not impress me very much. Two Officers getting out of their vehicle in the Bourke Street Mall with their hands on the proverbial .38 cal revolver. It just did not seem to look right. In Queensland an officer can wear summer uniform and look exactly as we do, and yet he is armed. The revolver is in an ankle holster. I feel out of sight, out of mind. A gun hanging off the hip of a Melbourne police officer does nothing much for his image — for that matter any other Australian city. I'm not by any means saying disarm them, but discreet concealment would certainly help their public image. They must carry them and I am the first to agree but nothing is worse than asking directions and having a young officer eager to let you know he has a firearm by resting his hand on the butt. I still prefer the Queensland and WA and SA system of being armed but not openly, it takes away the uneasiness by putting the weapon out of sight either in a reinforced pocket or ankle holster. However, I guess the Australian public are now well used to their officers carrying their service revolver in full view. Our Australian counterpart needs to carry a revolver which I feel is sad but immediately acknowledge is very necessary. I guess I could ask the inevitable — how long before we follow.

I could say how wonderful it is to be back — I could, but I would be a damned liar. I found myself working on Operation ANZUS in Wellington and believe me those 3 days at 4 or 5 degrees after the weather in Perth made me echo the saying that "this was no weather for billiard tables or brass monkeys". My god — I was rapidly brought back to reality. Well, I can still look at the photos and dream about the lovely time my wife and I had in WA.

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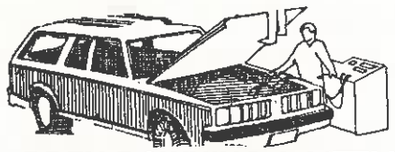

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EXIT STAGE L, PURSUED BY A REPORTER

by Des Hall

"There is no vacuum in the news. Somewhere in the world it is always news time."

These words, spoken conversationally by a senior press officer at New Scotland Yard have stayed in my mind during 13 years of duty in the New Zealand police as a press officer, or media liaison officer as the job is now termed.

I can recall clearly the magnificent view across the 'Big Smoke' from his office window and the sensation of trying to imagine coping with news media demands in such a situation.

As I have since learned, in fact it is almost always a matter of degree and not of principle. Basic rules allow one to do the job well in London and Wellington, Gore and Rotorua as we have seen in the recent past.

During the past few decades media demands have risen on a curve almost parallel with the inflation graphs of Mexico. There are probably three main reasons for this.

The first arises from the increase in world population since World War II. The plain fact is there are a lot more people getting up to a lot more things and there is therefore a lot more to talk about. In essence, 'news' is simply another name for organised gossip. It also follows exactly the terms of Parkinson's Law. Where not much is happening then what is happening will expand to fill the available news time and space.

Secondly, the explosion in the means of communication has made possible an enormous increase in the volume of news that can be gathered, digested and disseminated.

We have in the process exchanged the town crier for community radio, the village well for TV news and the stagecoach for telsat.

It is superfluous here to review all the methods of news garnering and spreading which are available to the management of a major news medium; many members of the service who are (and properly so) not ashamed of the communications systems available to us would be wide-eyed in many instancers to see what is available t the world's news media.

The reasons for this may be varied but probably few are more cogent than economics. Modern society's values make it more imperative to tell the world of a new brand of shampoo than provide police services (and other 'utilities') with instant international crime prevention or other appropriate messages.

A third reason for the intense pressures which can be affected by the news media is the proliferation of the news sevices themselves and the numbers of people working for them.

Supposing that young IBM Remington is recognised as a most competent and reliable reporter, we may also suppose if he and he alone interviewed the Vice-president of Antarctica on the latest famine situation in that wilderness, the world might quickly and accurately be told of what was going on down there.

Always assuming too, of course that the V-P had the facts and wasn't lying.

In practice he would be faced not only with Mr Remington but a whole flotilla of reporters, microphones, note books, still and movie cameras to ensure we got at least 20 accounts of the situation. There is, I think most will admit, no guarantee this gives us a better or more truthful version of the matter. It does probably give us the opportunity to chose whose account our own pre-conceived ideas will find most acceptable.

Desirable as it may be to have a choice of prejudices it does still place very heavy demands on media liaison officers and their managements in every field, public body, commercial concern or otherwise. Quite frequently and especially during the period of a major crime or incident, questions and demands for statements flow in faster than they can be recorded, far less the answers obtained and sent out.

In addition there are in such situations always the dangers and consequences of a hastily researched or prepared response. While it remains a cardinal principle — it did while I was so occupied and without doubt it still does — that everything said will be believed to be true at the time, the very urgency and pressure for a police reply militates against this.

Many times was this impressed on me during the decade of the seventies, an era when the police were under almost incessant attack from a variety of groups with not so much chips as kauri logs on their shoulders (a burden which some of them are still carrying manfully if ineffectually through life), railing physically and verbally against Society — as represented by the police — about real or imaginary grievances.

The police as a result found themselves adding a new role to the four long-cherished cornerstones of their duty. They had become and remain a punch-bag whose taks it was and is to act as a shock absorber for the whole

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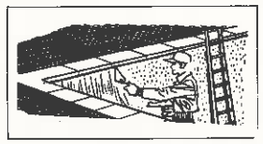
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community when the State coach hits another pothole.

Accusations pressure-cooked up overnight from secondhand accounts of non-existent events supported by distorted statistics from unreliable sources, provided ammunition for a steady flow of claims.

Police officers making efforts to respond found themselves frequently weeks behind their accusers, who by then would be whirling dervishly down a fresh Phantasy Avenue. As a result the public at times received a daily diet of stories which the police were unable to counter within anything like an acceptable time span.

This survey, condensed and superficial as it is, still therefore points to the need for a continual 'beefing up' of the police service's media liaison resources.

Management recognises there are those in the service who respond to media requirements with 'Tell them nothing' or 'No comment', as though the police would be a reporter's only source of information and — it would follow — if nothing was aid then nothing would be published, peace and calm would once more prevail.

In theory very comforting: in fact akin to an airline pilot *in extremis* over mid-Pacific saying to his first officer "If we don't look at the fuel gauges maybe they'll stop showing empty."

IT is a response which also ignores what is in effect a symbiotic relationship between the police and the media.

The police service is and will remain one of the best sources of dramatic, current, interesting, fascinating and, at the very worst, space and time filling news and stories. Or gossip, if you prefer. It will always pay the media to do their best to maintain good relations and contacts with the police.

Conversely the media always will be (whatever form they may take in future) the very best and cheapest route to the public, public opinion and public sentiment.

A decade of almost unbroken courtesy and helpfulness from very senior officers has been compounded with an often gratifying response at other levels when we have been faced with what would otherwise have been impossible demands. I should not be but have at times been surprised by the effectiveness with which staff members junior in rank or years have dealt with a sudden request for help. They will be invaluable in the years ahead.

If, after all that, readers cannot bring themselves to fall lovingly around the neck of the next reporter they meet (and in my Indian summer I recall several with whom that would have been disgustingly easy, I say no more on the subject) then do the next best thing.

Recognise we are stuck with each other for all time. Realise that if you do wish to lead a life far removed from the heat and fury of media demands you have made a less than impeccable choice of careers. Understand that the reporters with whom you deal daily no more dictate the style and content of the medium they represent than do front-line 'I' car staff formulate law and police policies.

As for a summary of the life of a media liaison officer I can do no better than quote W.C. Fields, who is reported to have said of an entirely different activity:

"There may be some things worse, there may be some things better, but there sure as hell ain't nothing quite like it."

Take my word for it, he knew what he was saying.

This holds true whether we are promoting crime prevention (Neighbourhood Watch), good public relations (community constables), a search for wanted fugitives or offenders (see any paper, any day; hear any radio, any hour), trying to bring firearms under control (Project Foresight, arms amnesties), or are up to our job sheets in a major crime.

It is to our detriment a fact long recognised and a tune well played by anti-police factions, whose sonic booms on their way to a chief reporter's desk are at times equalled only by the mixture of laziness and stupdity if the police do not freely avail themselves of the same opportunities. Within sensible limits governed by over-exposure we ignore the facts at our peril.

Estimates without all the facts are at best guesswork. However add TV's 'Police 5' to the very short list I have quoted, stir in the help from the suburban weeklies and I venture we may get at a conservative figure 5 million of free publicity every year for which the price is a modicum of goodwill and co-operation. In times of financial stringency it has to be the propaganda bargain to beat all bargains.

(No, I don't 'admit' that what we do is propaganda: I haven't been accused of anything. I state it as a fact. It's the same technique used by 'Save the Whales' and churchmen.)

It is fair to add that newspapers, whether or not their editors and accountants wish to know this, seldom if ever refuse a request for "Just a couple of copies of me and me mate guarding the bank robbery yesterday. Can you fix it f'r us?" This is possibly the only facet of my work which resulted in one hundred per cent success.

This event usually occurs just after another member has stormed into the press office to give a free and uninhibited character reading of some reporter who, also feeling the fury and pressure of demand just as much as a front-line cop at a demo, slipped up and wrote 'could' for 'would', MacAlistair for McAllister or some other painful error.

There have been many more instances, some involving other media which I could refer to but will not mention in detail. Essentially they amount to a level of concern for and loyalty to the police by reporters and editorial staff, which would possibly mystify if not astound many policemen and women who never suspect the efforts mad at times to back us up and help us through another awkward moment.

At times I am tempted to consider the service may be in more danger from the disloyal and uninterested within its own ranks, than from an occasional sniper's bullet from the treetops of Medialand. The unseen and unsuspected enemy has always proved more dangerous than the overt and self-proclaimed antagonist.

These instances of media aid have occured in press, radio and TV, in big confrontations, little events, minor attacks and innuendoes, by young reporters three months out of journalists' school and by reporters who have been battling it out for thirty years. I go on record as expressing thanks for their efforts.

After that it is just and timely to spare a word for those members of the service whose realistic appreciation of the world in which they live and work, has done much to make the task of the media liaison officer easier. (There are others too, without whose unfailing assistance and advice it would have been easier still.)

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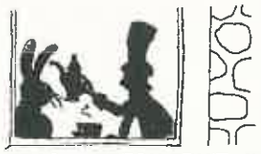

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