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UK SPECIALISTS TO ADVISE ON EUROPEAN SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

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THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT HAS INVITED SPECIALISTS FROM THE UK DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY (UKDTI) TO ADVISE LOCAL EXPORTERS ON HOW TO MEET THE PRODUCT SAFETY REQUIREMENTS TO BE INTRODUCED BY THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC).

A ONE-DAY SEMINAR, ENTITLED "EEC 1992 - PRODUCT SAFETY REQUIREMENTS", IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD AT THE OMNI HONG KONG HOTEL ON OCTOBER 12.

MRS CHARLOTTE LI, HEAD OF THE PRODUCTS STANDARDS INFORMATION BUREAU OF THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT, ENCOURAGED LOCAL MANUFACTURERS TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND THE SEMINAR.

"IN VIEW OF THE COMPLETION OF THE EEC SINGLE MARKET BY 1992, IT IS IMPORTANT FOR LOCAL EXPORTERS TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE RELEVANT PRODUCT SAFETY REQUIREMENTS INTRODUCED BY EC COUNTRIES AND THEIR WAY AND MEANS OF COMPLIANCE," SHE SAID.

THE TWO OFFICIALS FROM THE UKDTI WHO WILL SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCE WITH LOCAL EXPORTERS AT THE SEMINAR ARE MR PETER LAMBERT, SECTION HEAD OF THE INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN STANDARDS POLICY AND MISS NUALA O'FLYNN, BRANCH HEAD OF LEGAL ADVICE ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

TOPICS WILL COVER "BACKGROUND TO THE 1992 SINGLE EUROPEAN MARKET AND ITS IMPLICATIONS"; "THE EEC LOW VOLTAGE ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT DIRECTIVE AND ITS CERTIFICATION, MARKING AND STANDARDS COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS"; "THE EEC TOY SAFETY DIRECTIVE - ITS IMPLICATIONS AND WAYS AND MEANS OF COMPLIANCE"; AND "THE EEC PRODUCT LIABILITY DIRECTIVE AND ITS EFFECT ON SUPPLIERS OUTSIDE THE EEC".

THE SEMINAR WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ENGLISH AND THE PARTICIPATION FEE FOR EACH PERSON IS $165, INCLUSIVE OF LUNCH.

COMPANIES WHO WISH TO SEND THEIR STAFF TO TAKE PART IN THE SEMINAR ARE INVITED TO CONTACT MISS MARIA CHAU OF THE INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT AT 3-7360119.

APPLICATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS. THE CLOSING DATE IS SEPTEMBER 28.

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EASY WAY TO REPORT CRIMES TO CUSTOMS

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THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT HAS INTRODUCED A CRIME REPORT FORM TO PROVIDE A MORE CONVENIENT WAY FOR THE PUBLIC TO REPORT CRIMES CONCERNING SMUGGLING, DRUG TRAFFICKING, PIRATING AND COUNTERFEITING ACTIVITIES, ILLEGAL MANUFACTURING, OR POSSESSION OF DUTIABLE GOODS OR ADULTERATED LIQUOR.

A CUSTOMS SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THAT THE USE OF CRIME REPORT FORMS WOULD FACILITATE THE DEPARTMENT IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKING AND SMUGGLING AND IN TURN HELP MAINTAIN THE TRADE STATUS OF HONG KONG AND SAFEGUARD CONSUMERS' RIGHT.

"ANYBODY WHO HAS ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING CRIMES CAN JUST FILL IN A FORM AND SEND IT TO THE CUSTOMS BY POST.

"CUSTOMS OFFICERS WILL LOOK INTO THE CASE ACCORDING TO THE INFORMATION PROVIDED AND WILL PROSECUTE THOSE WHO ARE FOUND TO HAVE VIOLATED THE LAW," HE SAID.

THE SPOKESMAN POINTED OUT THAT THE IDENTITY OF THE INFORMANT AND THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY HIM WOULD BE KEPT IN STRICT CONFIDENCE.

THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE CRIME REPORT FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT DISTRICT OFFICES, CUSTOMS ENTRY CONTROL POINTS, CUSTOMS COLLECTION AND PERMIT OFFICES AND THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AT GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL.

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AUGUST TRAFFIC ACCIDENT FIGURES

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A TOTAL OF 1,832 CASUALTIES WAS REPORTED IN 1,438 TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS WHICH OCCURRED THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY LAST MONTH (AUGUST).

A POLICE SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THAT 330 OF THESE ACCIDENTS OCCURRED ON HONG KONG ISLAND, 734 IN KOWLOON AND 374 IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

THE PROVISIONAL FIGURE FOR AUGUST SHOWED THAT 23 PERSONS WERE KILLED, 345 PEOPLE WERE SERIOUSLY INJURED AND 1,464 SLIGHTLY INJURED IN THESE ACCIDENTS.

THE NUMBER OF CASUALTIES AND ACCIDENTS REPRESENTED A DECREASE OF 7.2 PER CENT AND 1.5 PER CENT RESPECTIVELY OVER THE PREVIOUS MONTH.

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OZP REFERRED BACK FOR AMENDMENT
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THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL HAS REFERRED THE DRAFT KENNEDY TOWN AND MOUNT DAVIS OUTLINE ZONING PLAN BACK TO THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION AND AMENDMENT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE BOARD SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THAT THE PLAN IS NOT READY FOR APPROVAL BECAUSE SOME AMENDMENTS ARE EXPECTED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

THESE INCLUDE THE PROPOSED GREEN ISLAND RECLAMATION AND CONSEQUENTIAL REVISIONS TO THE EXISTING LAND USE PROPOSALS FOR THE KENNEDY TOWN AND MOUNT DAVIS AREA.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED THAT ANY FUTURE AMENDMENTS TO THE PLAN WOULD BE EXHIBITED FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AND OBJECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE.

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SHORTER OPERATING HOURS FOR SSP MACAU FERRY TERMINAL
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THE DAILY OPERATING HOURS OF THE MACAU FERRY TERMINAL AT SHAM SHUI PO WILL BE CURTAILED STARTING TOMORROW (MONDAY), A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MARINE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY.

"THE FERRY SERVICES AT SHAM SHUI PO WILL END AT 3.30 PM INSTEAD OF 7.30 PM DAILY UNDER THE NEW ARRANGEMENT," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE NEW OPERATING HOURS WILL BE FROM 7.30 AM UNTIL 3.30 PM.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE MOVE WOULD HELP BRING DOWN OPERATIONAL COSTS OF THE SHAM SHUI PO TERMINAL WHILE INCREASING THE UTILISATION OF THE CHINA FERRY TERMINAL AT TSIM SHA TSUI.

"THIS EARLY CLOSING WAS ALSO MADE POSSIBLE AFTER FAR EAST HYDROFOIL COMPANY LIMITED ANNOUNCED SUSPENSION OF ITS JETFOIL SERVICES BETWEEN KOWLOON AND MACAU.

"MEANWHILE, ALL SERVICES TO AND FROM MACAU AFTER 3.30 PM, OPERATED BY HONG KONG FERRY (HOLDINGS) COMPANY AND HONG KONG MACAU HYDROFOIL COMPANY, WILL BE DIVERTED TO THE CHINA FERRY TERMINAL," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

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MAJOR ROUTE MAP NOW AVAILABLE

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT HAS PUBLISHED A LEAFLET "MAJOR ROUTE MAP HONG KONG" TO AID MOTORISTS SO THAT THEY CAN FIND OUT QUICKLY THE MOST CONVENIENT AND DIRECT ROUTE WHEN DRIVING FROM ONE DISTRICT TO ANOTHER.

THE LEAFLET CONTAINS A COLOUR MAP SHOWING THE MAJOR ROAD ROUTE NUMBERS AND DETAILS OF THESE ROUTES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (SUNDAY) THAT COPIES OF THE LEAFLET ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S LICENSING OFFICES, VEHICLE EXAMINATION CENTRES AND DISTRICT OFFICES.

HIGH CAPACITY ROADS IN HONG KONG ARE GIVEN SIMPLE ROUTE NUMBERS. SO FAR. EIGHT ROUTES HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED UNDER THE SINGLE DIGIT ROUTE NUMBERING SYSTEM SINCE THE INTRODUCTION OF THE SYSTEM IN 1974.

ROUTE NUMBER SHIELDS ARE PAINTED ON DIRECTIONAL TRAFFIC SIGNS TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

"MOTORISTS ONLY NEED TO LOOK FOR THE ROUTE NUMBERS ON THE DIRECTIONAL SIGNS WITHOUT HAVING TO MEMORISE THE NAMES OF THE ROADS." THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE EIGHT MAJOR ROUTES ARE:

ROUTE 1 ABERDEEN -- LOK MA CHAU

ROUTE 2 NGAU TAU KOK -- LOK MA CHAU

ROUTE 3 SAI YING PUN -- YUEN LONG (PROPOSED)

ROUTE 4 LAI CHI KOK -- KWUN TONG -- JUNK BAY

ROUTE 5 SHA TIN -- TSUEN WAN (THROUGH THE SHING MUN TUNNEL)

ROUTE 6 QUARRY BAY -- KWUN TONG -- MA LIU SHUI

ROUTE 7 CAUSEWAY BAY -- CENTRAL -- SAI YING PUN

ROUTE 8 ISLAND EASTERN CORRIDOR FROM CHAI WAN TO CAUSEWAY BAY

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APPLICATIONS OPEN TO ANTI-DRUG FAMILY CAMP AND LONG RUN

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APPLICATIONS ARE BEING INVITED TO JOIN AN ANTI-DRUG FAMILY CAMP AND A LONG RUN TO BE HELD IN OCTOBER.

THE EVENTS, ORGANISED BY THE ACTION COMMITTEE AGAINST NARCOTICS (ACAN) AND ITS YOUTH VOLUNTEER GROUP RESPECTIVELY, ARE PART OF THE "ROAD TO A HAPPY LIFE" ANTI-DRUG PROGRAMME THIS YEAR WITH THE OBJECTIVES OF ENCOURAGING MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO STAY AWAY FROM DRUGS AND TO ACTIVELY TAKE PART IN HEALTHY PURSUITS.

A TOTAL OF 690 PARENTS AND THEIR CHILDREN FROM ABOUT 230 FAMILIES CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE FAMILY CAMP AT THE LEI YUE MUN HOLIDAY VILLAGE IN CHAI WAN ON OCTOBER 7 AND 8 (SATURDAY AND SUNDAY).

AMONG THEM, 290 WILL BE RESIDENTIAL CAMPERS AND 400 DAY CAMPERS.

INTERESTED FAMILIES MUST COMPLETE A CROSSWORD PUZZLE ON DRUG RELATED THEMES ON THE ENTRY FORM.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS SEPTEMBER 18.

A BALLOT TO DECIDE SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WILL TAKE PLACE ON SEPTEMBER 22 AND THE RESULTS WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON SEPTEMBER 26.

THE ANTI-DRUG LONG RUN, TO BE LAUNCHED BY THE ACAN YOUTH VOLUNTEER GROUP, WILL BE HELD AT THE ABERDEEN COUNTRY PARK ON OCTOBER 22 (SUNDAY).

OPEN TO ALL RUNNERS AGED 18 OR ABOVE, IT COMPRISES THREE DIVISIONS: MEN'S, WOMEN'S AND GROUP DIVISIONS.

THOSE WISHING TO TAKE PART IN THE GROUP DIVISION MUST FORM A TEAM OF FIVE MEMBERS.

ENTRANTS FOR INDIVIDUAL DIVISIONS ARE REQUESTED TO FINISH A FULL COURSE OF ABOUT SIX KILOMETRES WHILE THE DISTANCE FOR THE GROUP DIVISION WILL BE ABOUT 14 KILOMETRES.

TROPHIES AND GIFT COUPONS WILL BE AWARDED TO THE FIRST THREE WINNERS OF EACH DIVISION.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS IS OCTOBER 5.

APPLICATION FORMS FOR THE LONG RUN TOGETHER WITH A SKETCH SHOWING THE COURSE AND ENTRY FORMS FOR THE FAMILY CAMP ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT ALL DISTRICT OFFICES AND SUB-OFFICES AND THE NARCOTICS DIVISION OF THE GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, 23RD FLOOR, QUEENSWAY GOVERNMENT OFFICES, CENTRAL, HONG KONG.

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THE ENTRY FORMS FOR THE FAMILY CAMP WILL ALSO BE PUBLISHED ON SING TAO WAN PAO BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 11 AND 17.

COMPLETED FORMS CAN BE RETURNED EITHER IN PERSON OR BY MAIL TO THE NARCOTICS DIVISION.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 5-8672760-6 (SEVEN LINES).

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FESTIVAL HOLIDAY REMINDER

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THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT TODAY (SUNDAY) REMINDED EMPLOYERS THAT THE DAY FOLLOWING MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL - SEPTEMBER 15 - IS ONE OF THE 11 STATUTORY HOLIDAYS.

ALL MANUAL EMPLOYEES AND THOSE NON-MANUAL EMPLOYEES EARNING NOT MORE THAN $11,500 A MONTH ARE ENTITLED TO THE HOLIDAY AND MUST BE PAID FOR THE DAY OFF IF THEY HAVE WORKED CONTINUOUSLY FOR THREE MONTHS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE STATUTORY HOLIDAY.

HOLIDAY PAY SHOULD BE EQUIVALENT TO AN EMPLOYEE'S EARNINGS ON A NORMAL WORKING DAY AND SHOULD INCLUDE BASIC WAGES AS WELL AS ALLOWANCES THAT CAN BE EXPRESSED IN MONEY TERMS SUCH AS MEALS AND COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCES.

"WHERE THE EARNINGS VARY FROM DAY TO DAY, HOLIDAY PAY SHOULD BE THE AVERAGE DAILY EARNINGS DURING EVERY COMPLETE WAGE PERIOD, WHICH COULD BE BETWEEN 28 DAYS TO 31 DAYS PRECEDING THE HOLIDAY," A LABOUR DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID.

"IF AN EMPLOYEE IS REQUIRED TO WORK ON A STATUTORY HOLIDAY, HE MUST BE GIVEN AN ALTERNATIVE DAY OFF WITHIN 60 DAYS BEFORE OR AFTER THAT DAY," HE ADDED.

FURTHER ENQUIRIES ABOUT STATUTORY HOLIDAYS MAY BE MADE AT ANY BRANCH OFFICE OF THE LABOUR RELATIONS SERVICE.

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AREA COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO DEMONSTRATE ARTISTIC TALENTS

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AREA COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE EAGER TO PROVE THEIR ARTISTIC TALENTS, APART FROM BEING ABLE TO HELP RESIDENTS SOLVE THEIR PROBLEMS.

AT PRESENT, THEY ARE BUSY MAKING PREPARATIONS FOR A VARIETY OF ENTERTAINMENT ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED AT A JOINT GATHERING OF 1,800 MEMBERS OF THE 89 URBAN AREA COMMITTEES AT THE QUEEN ELIZABETH STADIUM ON NOVEMBER 18.

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AND THEY ARE DETERMINED TO MAKE THE "AREA COMMITTEE JOINT PRESENTATION 89" - THE FIRST OF THE ITS KIND IN THE TERRITORY - A SUCCESS.

THE CHIEF SECRETARY, SIR DAVID FORD, IS EXPECTED TO ATTEND THE JOINT PRESENTATION AS GUEST OF HONOUR.

THE PROGRAMME OF THE JOINT PRESENTATION WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY (SUNDAY) BY THE REGIONAL SECRETARY FOR HONG KONG AND KOWLOON, MR DAVID LAN, AT AN "A STEP CLOSER" SEMINAR ORGANISED BY THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION FOR AREA COMMITTEES IN KWUN TONG.

MR LAN POINTED OUT THAT THE PRESENTATION WOULD BE THE GRAND FINALE TO A SERIES OF SEMINARS HELD BY THE CNTA DURING THE PAST SIX MONTHS TO STRENGTHEN RELATIONS WITH AREA COMMITTEES.

AT THE PRESENTATION, AREA COMMITTEES FROM EACH OF THE 10 URBAN DISTRICTS WOULD PRESENT A PROGRAMME OF ENTERTAINMENT ITEMS, WHICH MAY INCLUDE DRAMA, OPERA, SINGING, DANCING, LION DANCE, AND CHINESE MARTIAL ART AND TAEKWUNDO DEMONSTRATIONS.

A MAJOR PART OF THE FUNCTION WOULD BE A SLIDE SHOW FEATURING THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SERIES OF AREA COMMITTEE SEMINARS, HE ADDED.

ON TODAY'S SEMINAR, MR LAN NOTED THAT THIS WAS THE SECOND ONE HELD FOR AREA COMMITTEES IN KWUN TONG IN THREE MONTHS.

"AMONG ALL THE DISTRICTS IN THE TERRITORY, KWUN TONG HAS THE GREATEST NUMBER OF AREA COMMITTEES, AND IT IS THEREFORE NECESSARY FOR ME TO ATTEND THE SEMINAR AGAIN TO MEET MEMBERS OF THE 15 AREA COMMITTEES IN THE DISTRICT," HE SAID.

REFERRING TO BUILDING MANAGEMENT WHICH WAS THE THEME OF THE SEMINAR, MR LAN POINTED OUT THAT LAST YEAR THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE SET UP A BUILDING MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE THE WORK OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT OFFICE'S BUILDING MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATION TEAM AND TO RENDER ASSISTANCE TO BUILDINGS WITH MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS.

AS THERE WAS QUITE A NUMBER OF FACTORIES IN KWUN TONG, MUCH EMPHASIS WAS PLACED ON IMPROVING THE MANAGEMENT OF INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS.

SO FAR, THE SUB-COMMITTEE HAD HANDLED 15 BUILDING MANAGEMENT CASES, 11 OF WHICH INVOLVED INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS. IT HAD ALSO HELPED A NUMBER OF TENEMENT BUILDINGS SOLVE LONG-STANDING MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS, MR LAN ADDED.

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MID-AUTUMN CARNIVALS IN EASTERN, YAU TSIM

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CARNIVALS WILL BE HELD IN THE YAU TSIM AND THE EASTERN DISTRICTS TO CELEBRATE THE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL.

THE CARNIVAL IN YAU TSIM WILL BEGIN AT 7.30 PM ON WEDNESDAY (SEPTEMBER 13) AT THE URBAN COUNCIL CENTENARY GARDEN IN TSIM SHA TSUI EAST.

THERE WILL BE PERFORMANCES, LANTERN RIDDLES, FORTUNE-TELLING, STALL GAMES AND DEMONSTRATIONS OF TRADITIONAL HANDICRAFT.

COUPONS FOR THE STALL GAMES CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT OFFICE AT 490 NATHAN ROAD, AND ITS TSIM SHA TSUI SUB-OFFICE AT 40 CARNARVON ROAD.

THE CARNIVAL IS ORGANISED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD WITH ASSISTANCE FROM THE TSIM SHA TSUI AREA COMMITTEE AND SPONSORSHIP FROM THE URBAN COUNCIL AND THE TSIM SHA TSUI EAST PROPERTY DEVELOPERS' ASSOCIATION.

AMONG THOSE OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL BE THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR WONG HON-HO; DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR YIP WAH; POLICE DISTRICT COMMANDER (YAU MA TEI), MR LAU YUK-KUEN; URBAN COUNCILLOR MR WU MAN-KEUNG; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE TSIM SHA TSUI EAST PROPERTY DEVELOPERS' ASSOCIATION, MR LUI CHE-WO.

IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT, FOUR CARNIVALS FEATURING VARIETY SHOWS, LION DANCES, LANTERN RIDDLES, MAGIC SHOWS AND LUCKY DRAWS, WILL BE HELD. THE FIRST TWO WILL TAKE PLACE ON WEDNESDAY.

THE CARNIVALS ARE JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICE AND AREA COMMITTEES, AND ARE SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD AND THE URBAN COUNCIL.

DETAILS OF THE CARNIVALS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

DATE/TIME	VENUE
SEPTEMBER 13 (WEDNESDAY) 7 PM	FACTORY STREET PLAYGROUND, SHAU KEI WAN
SEPTEMBER 13 (WEDNESDAY) 7 PM	CHAI WAN COMMUNITY CENTRE
SEPTEMBER 15 (FRIDAY) 7.30 PM	PLAYGROUND BETWEEN CLOUD VIEW ROAD AND YEE KING ROAD
SEPTEMBER 16 (SATURDAY) 7.30 PM	VICTORIA PARK BASKETBALL COURT

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE CARNIVALS IN THE YAU TSIM AND EASTERN DISTRICTS.

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ENTRIES INVITED FOR CROSS TOLO HARBOUR SWIM

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APPLICATIONS ARE BEING INVITED FOR THE 22ND CROSS TOLO HARBOUR SWIM TO BE HELD IN TAI PO ON OCTOBER 29.

THE ANNUAL EVENT IS ORGANISED BY THE TAI PO SPORTS ASSOCIATION AND SPONSORED BY THE TAI PO DISTRICT BOARD AND A BREWERY.

THE 2,400 METRE RACE, WHICH IS OPEN TO SWIMMERS AGED 12 OR ABOVE, WILL BE FROM SHUEN WAN TO TAI MEI TUK. IT WILL START AT 10 AM.

TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED TO THE FIRST 10 WINNERS IN THE MEN'S AND THE WOMEN'S SECTIONS, WHILE THOSE WHO COMPLETED THE FULL COURSE WITHIN 90 MINUTES WILL RECEIVE COMMEMORATIVE CERTIFICATES.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT ALL DISTRICT OFFICES; OFFICES OF THE REGIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT; THE TAI PO RURAL COMMITTEE; THE TAI PO SPORTS ASSOCIATION AT LI FOOK LAM INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE, ON CHEUNG ROAD, TAI PO; AND THE TAI PO JOCKEY CLUB SWIMMING POOL IN ON PONG ROAD, TAI PO.

THE DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS SEPTEMBER 30.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON TEL. 0-6568661.

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CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY CONTEST FOR STUDENTS

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STUDENTS IN SOUTHERN DISTRICT ARE BEING INVITED TO TAKE PART IN THE "SOUTHERN DISTRICT STUDENT CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY CONTEST" SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER.

THE CONTEST, ORGANISED BY THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT ARTS AND CULTURE ASSOCIATION (SDACA) IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DISTRICT'S JOINT SCHOOL CONFERENCE AND SPONSORED BY THE DISTRICT BOARD, AIMS AT ENHANCING STUDENTS' INTEREST IN, AND LOCAL PEOPLE'S APPRECIATION OF CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY.

THE COMPETITION IS DIVIDED INTO TWO DIVISIONS. IN THE FIRST, CONTESTANTS ARE REQUIRED TO WRITE WITH A FOUNTAIN PEN OR A BALL-PEN, AND, IN THE SECOND, WITH A BRUSH.

PARTICIPANTS WILL BE DIVIDED INTO SEVEN SECTIONS ACCORDING TO THEIR SCHOOL GRADES AND THE DIVISIONS IN WHICH THEY ARE COMPETING.

IN EACH SECTION, THE FIRST THREE WINNERS WILL BE AWARDED BOOK COUPONS OF $300, $200, AND $100 RESPECTIVELY IN ADDITION TO A TROPHY, WHILE THE 10 CONTESTANTS WHO RECEIVE AN HONOURABLE MENTION WILL ALSO BE AWARDED GIFTS.

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THE WINNING ENTRIES WILL BE DISPLAYED AT THE LEI TUNG COMMUNITY HALL, LEI TUNG ESTATE, FROM OCTOBER 22 TO 27.

ALL PRIMARY AND SECONDARY STUDENTS WHO ARE RESIDING OR ATTENDING SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT ARE WELCOME TO ENTER THE CONTEST, WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE ON OCTOBER 7 AT THE ABERDEEN TECHNICAL SCHOOL.

ENTRY FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE SDACA'S OFFICE AT LEI CHAK HOUSE, AP LEI CHAU ESTATE, AND THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OFFICE AND ITS SUB-OFFICES. THE DEADLINE FOR ENTRY IS SEPTEMBER 30.

ENQUIRIES CAN BE MADE ON 5-520595 AND 5-550187.

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DB COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER PUBLISHING NEWSLETTER

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THE ISLANDS DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF PUBLISHING A DISTRICT NEWSLETTER TO DISSEMINATE DISTRICT BOARD NEWS TO ISLANDERS AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (MONDAY).

THE PROPOSED BIMONTHLY NEWSLETTER WILL SERVE THE PURPOSES OF IMPROVING COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE BOARD AND RESIDENTS AND PROMOTING RESIDENTS' INTEREST IN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.

MEMBERS WILL ALSO DISCUSS THE KEEP HONG KONG CLEAN CAMPAIGN AND A CIVIC EDUCATION CAMP TO BE HELD IN DECEMBER FOR THOSE AGED BETWEEN 18 AND 35.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA INCLUDE ACTIVITIES IN SUPPORT OF THE WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 1989, AND THE RECEPTION OF TELEVISION SIGNALS IN SUN KEI PANG AND SUN SHA PANG IN TAI O, LANTAU.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE ISLANDS DISTRICT BOARD'S COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE TO BEGIN AT 2 PM TOMORROW (MONDAY) IN THE ISLANDS DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, 20TH FLOOR, HARBOUR BUILDING, 38 PIER ROAD, CENTRAL.

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SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN YAU MA TEI

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE INTRODUCED IN THE AREA OF THE YAU MA TEI FRUIT MARKET BETWEEN 12.01 AM ON TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 12) AND 8 PM ON THURSDAY (SEPTEMBER 14) TO CATER FOR THE ANTICIPATED INCREASE IN PEDESTRIAN AND TRAFFIC TO THE YAU MA TEI FRUIT MARKET.

THESE ARRANGEMENTS ARE:

* RECLAMATION STREET NORTHBOUND BETWEEN THE UNNAMED ROAD SOUTH OF SHEK LUNG STREET AND WATERLOO ROAD: AND WATERLOO ROAD WESTBOUND BETWEEN RECLAMATION STREET AND FERRY STREET WILL BE REDUCED FROM THREE-LANE TO TWO-LANE TRAFFIC.

* THE UNNAMED ROAD SOUTH OF SHEK LUNG STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM TWO-WAY TO ONE-WAY WESTBOUND.

* CHING PING STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND.

* TUNG KUN STREET WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY WESTBOUND.

* RIGHT TURNING FROM CANTON ROAD NORTHBOUND TO TUNG KUN STREET WILL BE BANNED.

* SHEK LUNG STREET BETWEEN RECLAMATION STREET AND SHANGHAI STREET: AND MAN MING LANE BETWEEN RECLAMATION STREET AND SHANGHAI STREET WILL BE CLOSED AND CONVERTED INTO A PEDESTRIAN PRECINCT.

* THE METERED PARKING SPACES IN CANTON ROAD BETWEEN CHEUNG SHUI STREET AND THE UNNAMED ROAD SOUTH OF SHEK LUNG STREET: AND IN LEE TAT STREET BETWEEN CANTON ROAD AND CHING PING STREET WILL BE SUSPENDED.

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TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT IN SHAM SHUI PO

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 12), THE SECTION OF TAI BANG SAI STREET BETWEEN NAM CHEONG STREET AND NAM SHAN CHUEN ROAD IN SHAM SHUI PO WILL RESUME TWO-WAY OPERATION UPON COMPLETION OF ROADWORKS THERE.

AT THE SAME TIME, GREEN MINIBUS ROUTE NO. 12 WILL RESUME ITS ORIGINAL ROUTEING TO OPERATE VIA TAI HANG TUNG ROAD, TAI HANG SAI STREET AND NAM CHEONG STREET ON JOURNEYS TO PAK TIN.

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