



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 1974

NEW TERRITORIES COUNTRYSIDE MAP

RAMBLERS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES ARE NOW ABLE TO PLAN AND SET FORTH ON THEIR WALKS ARMED WITH AN AID DEVISED SPECIFICALLY TO MEET THEIR NEEDS - THE GOVERNMENT'S NEW +COUNTRYSIDE+ MAP OF THE NEW TERRITORIES/WEST.

THE MAP, PRODUCED BY THE CARTOGRAPHERS OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, HAS JUST GONE ON SALE TO THE PUBLIC AT \$3.00 A COPY. IT IS THE SECOND MAP IN THE +COUNTRYSIDE+ SERIES, THE FIRST (SHEET 1) BEING OF HONG KONG ISLAND.

THE FIRST MAP, ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN 1971, HAS PROVED SO POPULAR THAT TWO EDITIONS OF IT HAVE SOLD OUT RAPIDLY. A THIRD REVISED EDITION IS NOW BEING PRINTED AND SHOULD BE READY FOR ISSUE IN A FEW WEEKS' TIME.

COMMENTING ON THE SUCCESS OF THE SERIES SO FAR, HONG KONG'S MAPMAKER-IN-CHIEF, MR. JOHN COOPER, WHO IS HEAD OF THE SURVEY BRANCH OF P.W.D.'S CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, SAID TODAY: +THE RESPONSE HAS BEEN A GREAT ENCOURAGEMENT TO US IN PRODUCING THIS SERIES, AND WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT SHEET 2, THE NEW MAP, WILL BE AS MUCH APPRECIATED AS THE FIRST.+

THE NEW MAP, COLOURED AND WITH LEGENDS IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE, HAS BEEN DRAWN TO A SCALE OF 1:50,000. IT SHOWS FOOTPATHS AND WALKING TRAILS IN RED, WITH A BROKEN LINE TO INDICATE PATHS WHICH MAY BE SEASONALLY OVERGROWN.

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THE MAP IS A METRICATED ONE, BUT GIVES A DISTANCE SCALE IN MILES AS WELL AS KILOMETRES. CONTOURS ARE AT INTERVALS OF 25 METRES. AMONG THE FEATURES DENOTED BY APPROPRIATE ILLUSTRATIVE SIGNS ARE : PICNIC SPOTS= FORESTS AND WOODLANDS (WITH DIFFERENT SIGNS FOR CONIFEROUS AND DECIDUOUS TREES)= CAR PARKS= AND BUS SERVICES.

THE REVERSE SIDE OF THE SHEET SHOWS ENLARGED AND MORE DETAILED SECTIONS OF THREE AREAS WITH PARTICULAR ATTRACTIONS FOR COUNTRYSIDE WALKERS. THESE AREAS ARE : (A) TAI LAM CHUNG - TAI MO SHAN= (B) TAI PO KAU= AND (C) SHING MUN - SHA TIN.

THE REVERSE SIDE ALSO CONTAINS SOME GENERAL INFORMATION AND MAP NOTES. AMONG OTHER THINGS, THESE DRAW ATTENTION TO THE NEED FOR ALL COUNTRYSIDE WALKERS TO RESPECT THE COUNTRYSIDE CODE, AND THIS CODE IS SPELT OUT IN A MESSAGE ON THE INSIDE OF THE FLAP COVER OF THE MAP.

MR. COOPER COMMENTED THAT THE INJUNCTIONS OF THE CODE - LIKE THE NEED TO AVOID FIRE DANGERS AND NOT TO LEAVE LITTER OR POLLUTE WATER SUPPLIES - DESERVED GREAT EMPHASIS. +BUT I KNOW THAT THOSE PEOPLE WHO GO TO THE TROUBLE OF BUYING OUR MAPS ARE THOUGHTFUL AND CONSIDERATE TYPES, AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT THEY WILL ALWAYS BE CONSCIOUS OF THE NEED TO PROTECT OUR ENVIRONMENT.+

THE NEW MAP IS ON SALE AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE SALES COUNTER, 19TH FLOOR, MURRAY BUILDING, THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, STAR FERRY, HONG KONG SIDE= AND THE C.L. AND S.O. SALES SECTION, 10TH FLOOR, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES (ABOVE G.P.O. NATHAN ROAD). IT IS ALSO AVAILABLE AT LEADING BOOK STORES.

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ALTHOUGH THE MAP IS TITLED +NEW TERRITORIES/WEST+, IT COVERS ALSO THE CENTRAL AREA OF THE MAINLAND NEW TERRITORIES. THE NEXT MAP IN THE +COUNTRYSIDE+ SERIES, SHEET 3, WILL BE OF LANTAU= IT SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF THE YEAR.

PRELIMINARY WORK HAS ALSO STARTED ON SHEET 4, THE NEW TERRITORIES/EAST, WHICH WILL TAKE IN THE SAI KUNG PENINSULA, IT SHOULD BE READY AT ABOUT THE TIME WHEN NEW ROADS IN THE PENINSULA BECOME ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC.

MR. COOPER ALSO REMINDED THE PUBLIC OF OTHER MAPS FOR GENERAL USE WHICH ARE ON SALE, LIKE THE OFFICIAL GUIDE MAP TO HONG KONG AND THE 1:50,000 MAP FOR THE TERRITORY. THE LATTER IS AVAILABLE IN EITHER TWO OVERLAPPING SHEETS, WHICH CAN BE CUT AND JOINED TO FORM A WALL-MAP ABOUT 50'' X 40''= OR IN ONE DOUBLE-SIDES SHEET WHICH CAN BE CONVENIENTLY FOLDED AND USED BY MOTORISTS.

THERE IS, IN ADDITION, A WIDE VARIETY OF LARGER-SCALE TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SURVEY PLANS WHICH CAN BE INSPECTED AND BOUGHT FROM EITHER OF THE TWO SALES SECTIONS OF THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE.

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NOTE TO EDITORS: COPIES OF THE NEW COUNTRYSIDE MAP ARE BOXED FOR COLLECTION.

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+TSAN KWAN TAI DAI+ FESTIVAL

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

RESIDENTS OF TSING YI ISLAND WILL CELEBRATE THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF THE LEGENDARY +TSAN KWAN TAI DAI+ THE GOD OF FAIRPLAY, WISDOM AND TRUTH - ON SUNDAY (APRIL 7).

THIS RELATIVELY LITTLE-KNOWN FESTIVAL IS CELEBRATED ONLY ON TSING YI AND THOUSANDS OF WORSHIPPERS ARE EXPECTED ON THE ISLAND THIS SUNDAY.

THE CELEBRATIONS INCLUDE PROCESSIONS AND STAGE-SHOWS BY POPULAR CANTONESE OPERA STARS. THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE FESTIVAL WILL BE THE DRAW FOR SOME 20 FLORAL SHRINES OR +FAR PAU.+

IT IS SAID THAT THESE SHRINES WILL BRING GOOD FORTUNE TO THE OWNERS.

YOUR REPRESENTATIVES ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE FESTIVAL WHICH BEGIN AT 11 A.M.

A STORY ABOUT THE FESTIVAL AND ITS ORIGIN WILL APPEAR IN TOMORROW'S DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN.

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CAREERS SEMINAR FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

A TWO-DAY CAREERS SEMINAR FOR SOME 500 SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS IN WESTERN DISTRICT IS TO BE HELD AT KING'S COLLEGE ON APRIL 10 AND 11.

THE SEMINAR IS JOINTLY ORGANIZED BY THE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT ADVISORY SERVICE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT AND THE WESTERN DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

THE AIM IS TO PROVIDE THE STUDENTS, MANY OF WHOM ARE IN THEIR FINAL YEAR OF SCHOOLING, WITH A WIDE RANGE OF INFORMATION TO ENABLE THEM TO MAKE A WISE CHOICE OF CAREERS.

MR. LAI CHAM-KAN, THE COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICER (WESTERN), WILL OFFICIATE AT THE OPENING CEREMONY.

THE PROGRAMME OF THE SEMINAR INCLUDES TALKS ON BANKING, NURSING, SOCIAL WORK, TEACHERS TRAINING AND POST-SECONDARY TECHNICAL EDUCATION BY EXPERTS IN THE RESPECTIVE FIELDS. REPRESENTATIVES FROM HOTELS, AIRLINES AND TRAVEL AGENCIES WILL LEAD A PANEL DISCUSSION ON CAREERS CONNECTED WITH THE TOURIST INDUSTRY.

OTHER TALKS INCLUDE +HOW TO APPLY FOR A JOB+, +INDUSTRIAL CAREERS THROUGH APPRENTICE TRAINING+ AND +GOVERNMENT JOBS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL LEAVERS+.

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STUDENTS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THE SEMINAR SHOULD CONTACT MRS. KATHERINE SHEN OF THE WESTERN DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 5-435141 FOR ENROLMENT.

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NOTE TO EDITORS : YOU ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE SEMINAR. THE OPENING CEREMONY WILL START AT 9.20 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10.

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