



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

SIR DENYS JOINS VOLUNTEERS TO CLEAN UP BEACH
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SIR DENYS ROBERTS WILL JOIN A PARTY OF 80 VOLUNTEERS COMPRISING 50 TAI PO SCHOOL CHILDREN AND 30 MEMBERS OF THE OUTWARD BOUND (ALUMNI) ASSOCIATION TO CLEAN UP NAI CHUNG BEACH IN SAI KUNG NORTH, THE NEW TERRITORIES ON SUNDAY (APRIL 23).

THE CLEAN-UP OPERATION, ORGANISED BY THE TAI PO DISTRICT OFFICE, WILL START AT 10.30 A.M. AND FINISH AT 2.30 P.M.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND A REPORTER AND/OR PHOTOGRAPHER TO COVER THE OCCASION. PRESS TRANSPORT WILL BE PROVIDED. NEWSMEN COVERING THE EVENT SHOULD ASSEMBLE AT THE CAR PARK BEHIND THE TSIM SHA TSUI POST OFFICE AT 9 A.M. ON SUNDAY WHERE A GOVERNMENT VAN, AM 2088, WILL TAKE THEM TO SAI KUNG. THE VAN WILL RETURN TO TSIM SHA TSUI BY 1 P.M.

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SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR JOB PLACEMENT UNIT

THE JOB PLACEMENT UNIT OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT FOUND JOBS FOR 461 DISABLED PEOPLE DURING THE LAST FINANCIAL YEAR, BRINGING TO 3,094 THE TOTAL NUMBER OF JOBS SECURED FOR THE DISABLED BY THE UNIT SINCE IT WAS SET UP IN 1967.

THE OFFICER-IN-CHARGE OF THE UNIT, MR. CHAN SIU-WING, TODAY POINTED OUT THAT THE 1977-78 FIGURE, WHICH SHOWS A SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT OVER THE PREVIOUS 10 YEARS' ANNUAL AVERAGE OF 263, HELPS TO ILLUSTRATE LOCAL EMPLOYERS' INCREASING ACCEPTANCE OF THE CAPABILITY OF THE DISABLED.

+MORE EMPLOYERS ARE REALISING THE FACT THAT HANDICAPPED PEOPLE ARE RELIABLE WORKERS IF PLACED AT JOBS MATCHING THEIR QUALIFICATIONS AND POTENTIAL, AND THIS HAS GREATLY FACILITATED OUR CONTINUOUS EFFORTS IN SECURING GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT FOR THEM,+ HE SAID.

APART FROM THIS, MR. CHAN NOTED THAT IN SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR THE UNIT FOUND 81 JOBS FOR THE DISABLED, THE HIGHEST MONTHLY FIGURE SINCE ITS INCEPTION.

HE SAID THAT AMONG THOSE PLACED TO WORK DURING THE YEAR UNDER REVIEW, WERE 64 BLIND, 178 PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED, 127 DEAF, 42 EX-MENTAL PATIENTS, 47 MENTAL RETARDATES AND THREE EX-TUBERCULOSIS PATIENTS.

+MOST OF THEM ARE ENGAGED IN THE INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FIELDS AS MACHINE SEWING WORKERS, ASSEMBLERS AND LIFT OPERATORS, WHILE OTHERS ARE EMPLOYED AS CLERKS, TYPISTS, MESSENGERS AND TELEPHONE OPERATORS,+ HE SAID.

AS FOR THEIR SALARY, MR. CHAN SAID THAT THEY WERE EITHER PAID WAGES AT A MONTHLY AVERAGE OF \$650, OR AT A DAILY RATE RANGING FROM \$18 TO \$28, SOME EVEN RECEIVING WAGES AS HIGH AS \$80 A DAY.

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JAYCEE MOVEMENT PRAISED
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THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. THOMAS LEE, THIS EVENING PRAISED THE NEWLY-FORMED TAI PING SHAN JAYCEES FOR ITS COMMENDABLE OBJECTIVE TO PROVIDE LEADERSHIP TRAINING TO YOUNG PEOPLE THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROJECTS.

SPEAKING AT ITS INAUGURATION CEREMONY, MR. LEE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THE HONG KONG JAYCEES HAVE A NUMBER OF COMMUNITY PROJECTS IN MIND, AND THAT THROUGH THIS KIND OF MEANINGFUL ACTIVITIES, THE JAYCEES WOULD BRING FORTH ITS GOOD IMAGE AND TRUE SPIRIT.

MR. LEE NOTED THAT THE JAYCEE MOVEMENT IN HONG KONG, AS ELSEWHERE, WAS PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH AND INVOLVED IN PROVIDING LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR THOSE WHO ASPIRED TO BE COMMUNITY LEADERS.

+THE JAYCEE MEMBERSHIP OFFERS AN EDUCATIONAL COURSE THAT ACTIVATES THE INTEREST OF THE INDIVIDUAL AND ENCOURAGES HIM TO UTILISE HIS TIME AND TALENT FOR SELF-DEVELOPMENT.

+AS A JAYCEE IMPROVES HIS OWN PERSONALITY, HE ALSO ENDEAVOURS TO IMPROVE THE LIFE OF THOSE AROUND HIM, AND SOON HE LEARNS THAT SERVICE TO HUMANITY IS THE BEST WORK OF LIFE, HE SAID.

A SERIES OF SOCIAL WELFARE ACTIVITIES IS BEING PLANNED BY THE TAI PING SHAN JAYCEES. THEY INCLUDE SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY, CARE PROGRAMME FOR THE DISABLED AND CHILDREN, EMPLOYMENT GUIDANCE FOR SECONDARY STUDENTS, LECTURES AND SEMINARS ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE TAI PING SHAN JAYCEES, MR. DAVID SIU SAID THAT APART FROM THESE ACTIVITIES, HIS JAYCEES WERE ALSO PLANNING SOME LONGER-TERM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES WITH THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

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THOMAS LEE TO VISIT FAMILY CAMP

THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. THOMAS LEE, AND HEADS OF FOUR VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, WILL VISIT THE HAPPY FAMILY CAMP AT WU KAI SHA YOUTH VILLAGE ON SUNDAY (APRIL 23) MORNING.

THE CAMP IS JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT, THE CATHOLIC MARRIAGE ADVISORY COUNCIL, THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUBS ASSOCIATION, THE HONG KONG FAMILY WELFARE SOCIETY AND CARITAS HONG KONG TO PROMOTE THE CONCEPT OF THE FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION.

DURING THE VISIT, MR. LEE WILL PARTICIPATE IN A SERIES OF FUN-FILLED EVENTS AT THE FAMILY CARNIVAL FOR THE 850 CAMPERS. APART FROM STALL GAMES, EXHIBITION, FASHION SHOW, SONGS AND DANCE, A HOT-AIR BALLON WILL MAKE REGULAR FLIGHTS TO TAKE CAMPERS ROUND THE CAMP SITE.

MR. LEE WILL ALSO OFFICIATE AT A PRESENTATION CEREMONY TO MARK THE CLOSING OF THE HAPPY FAMILY CAMP AT 11.45 A.M.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO COVER THE VISIT.

TRANSPORT FOR THE PRESS WILL LEAVE THE KOWLOON PUBLIC PIER ON SUNDAY AT 9 A.M. TO TAKE NEWSMEN TO TAI PO KAU PIER WHERE THEY WILL BOARD THE LAUNCH 'CLEMENTI' FOR WU KAI SHA AT 9.45 A.M.

THOSE WHO WISH TO MAKE THEIR OWN WAY TO WU KAI SHA CAN ALSO MAKE USE OF THE HONG KONG AND YAUMATI FERRIES DEPARTING FROM MA LIU SHUI AT 9.10 A.M., 10.10 A.M. AND 11 A.M..

FOR THE RETURN JOURNEY, 'CLEMENTI' WILL LEAVE WU KAI SHA AT 12.15 P.M. FOR TAI PO KAU FROM WHERE SPECIAL COACHES WILL TAKE NEWSMEN BACK TO KOWLOON. LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED.

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PLB RESTRICTED ZONE IN CHAI WAN

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM TRAVELLING IN THE SECTION OF CHAI WAN ROAD, EAST OF WAN TSUI ROAD IN CHAI WAN FROM 10 A.M. ON MONDAY (APRIL 24).

BUT PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES OPERATING IN CHAI WAN MAY USE AN OFF-STREET TERMINUS NEAR LEE CHUNG STREET.

MEANWHILE, THE CHINA MOTOR BUS COMPANY HAS INTRODUCED A NEW BUS ROUTE 84 BETWEEN ON YIP STREET IN CHAI WAN AND FACTORY STREET IN SHAU KEI WAN.

MORE JOURNEYS ARE ALSO ADDED ON BUS ROUTES 8 AND 82 BETWEEN CHAI WAN, WAN CHAI AND NORTH POINT.

THE ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE AFTER A MAJOR EXTENSION OF BUS ROUTES IN CHAI WAN AND ARE IN LINE WITH THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT'S POLICY OF CONTROLLING THE ACCESS OF PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES TO HOUSING ESTATES TO PREVENT TRAFFIC OBSTRUCTION.

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FIRING PRACTICE

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FIRING PRACTICE WILL BE HELD AT CASTLE PEAK RANGE ON TUESDAY (APRIL 25) BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 5 P.M.

NEXT MONTH, IT WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE SAME RANGE ON THREE DAYS.

THE PUBLIC ARE REMINDED THAT IT IS DANGEROUS TO ENTER THE AREA WHEN THE RED FLAGS ARE FLYING DURING THE TIME OF FIRING PRACTICE.

THE PRACTICE TIMES FOR NEXT MONTH ARE:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>HOURS</u>
MAY 18 (THURSDAY)	8 A.M. - 5 P.M.
MAY 30 (TUESDAY)	8 A.M. - 5 P.M.
MAY 31 (WEDNESDAY)	8 A.M. - 5 P.M.

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