



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 1975

NEW HOUSING ESTATE AT CLEARWATER BAY

A 9.6-ACRE SITE IN ANDERSON ROAD IN THE CLEARWATER BAY AREA IS BEING PREPARED FOR THE BUILDING OF A NEW HOUSING AUTHORITY ESTATE.

PILING WORK SHOULD BEGIN IN ABOUT TWO MONTHS AND THE BUILDING OF THE SUPERSTRUCTURE OF THE NEW PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE, SHUN LEE TSUEN, IS EXPECTED TO COMMENCE IN SEPTEMBER.

THE FIRST STAGE OF THE PROJECT WILL INCLUDE THE BUILDING OF TWO 30-STORY CRUCI-FORM BLOCKS AND A SEVEN-STORY BLOCK TO PROVIDE HOUSING FOR 19,400 PEOPLE. ABOUT 3,000 LIVING UNITS WILL BE CONSTRUCTED IN THIS PHASE AND THEY WILL BE READY FOR OCCUPATION IN EARLY 1978.

WORK ON THE SECOND STAGE, WHICH WILL PROVIDE HOMES FOR ANOTHER 31,000 PEOPLE, WILL BEGIN IN MID-1976 AND BE COMPLETED IN EARLY 1981.

WHEN FULLY DEVELOPED, THE ESTATE WILL HAVE ALL FORMS OF SOCIAL, EDUCATIONAL AND COMMERCIAL FACILITIES.

THERE WILL BE TWO PRIMARY SCHOOLS, WELFARE PREMISES, A LARGE PLAYGROUND WITH BASKETBALL AND BADMINTON COURTS, A PROPER MARKET AREA, A RESTAURANT AND SHOP PREMISES.

THE CONSTRUCTION COST OF THE FIRST STAGE IS ESTIMATED AT ABOUT \$67 MILLION.

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REGISTRATION TEAM TO OPERATE IN YUEN LONG

A TEAM FROM THE REGISTRATION OF PERSONS DEPARTMENT WILL CONDUCT REGISTRATION IN THE YUEN LONG TOWN HALL FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS AND THOSE OF NEIGHBOURING AREAS FROM APRIL 1 (TUESDAY) TO APRIL 4 (FRIDAY) AND FROM APRIL 7 (MONDAY) TO APRIL 8 (TUESDAY).

BUSINESS HOURS WILL BE FROM 9.30 A.M. TO 4.30 P.M.

THE VISIT WILL ENABLE PARENTS AND GUARDIANS TO REGISTER THEIR CHILDREN AND WARDS AT THE AGE OF 11 FOR JUVENILE IDENTITY CARDS.

HOLDERS OF JUVENILE IDENTITY CARDS REACHING 18 YEARS OF AGE CAN REGISTER FOR ADULT IDENTITY CARDS.

PEOPLE LIVING IN THE AREA ARE REMINDED OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO REGISTER THEMSELVES AND THEIR CHILDREN FOR IDENTITY CARDS. THEY ARE ALSO REMINDED TO REPORT CHANGES OF REGISTERED PARTICULARS SUCH AS CHANGES OF EMPLOYMENT OR RESIDENTIAL ADDRESSES, MARITAL STATUS.

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SPORTS MEET FOR THE AGED

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THREE WELFARE AGENCIES IN WESTERN DISTRICT HAVE PLANNED A GAMES AND SPORTS MEET FOR THE AGED, THE FIRST OF ITS KIND TO BE HELD IN HONG KONG.

THIS WILL TAKE PLACE FROM 1.30 P.M. TO 5 P.M. ON TUESDAY (APRIL 1) AT THE ABERDEEN SPORTS GROUND IN WONG CHUK HANG.

TWO HUNDRED MEN AND WOMEN, ALL OVER THE AGE OF 60, WILL BE TAKING PART IN 10 DIFFERENT GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL EVENTS INCLUDING 50 AND 100 METRES WALKATHONS.

THE ORGANISERS ARE KENNEDY TOWN AND TIN WAN CENTRES OF CARITAS AND THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S WESTERN DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE.

CHIEF SPONSOR OF THE FUNCTION IS MR. CHENG MAN-WAH, CHAIRMAN OF THE APLICHAU YOUNG MEN'S ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION WHO HAS DONATED \$500 TOWARDS COSTS. A NUMBER OF FACTORIES IN ABERDEEN AND RESTAURANTS IN WESTERN DISTRICT ARE ALSO CONTRIBUTING THEIR PRODUCTS AS PRIZES OR OTHER REFRESHMENTS FOR PARTICIPANTS.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THIS EVENT.

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CHILDREN'S TALENT CONTEST

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CHILDREN LIVING IN SAU MAU PING HOUSING ESTATE IN KOWLOON ARE BEING ENCOURAGED TO DEVELOP AND SHOW OFF THEIR TALENTS IN A CONTEST ORGANISED BY THREE WELFARE OFFICES THERE.

THE CONTEST IS OPENED TO YOUNGSTERS AGED FROM EIGHT TO TWELVE AND THERE WILL BE TWO CLASSES, INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS, IN WHICH THEY CAN SHOW THEIR SKILLS IN SINGING, PERFORMING MAGIC, ACROBATICS, DANCING, ACTING, TELLING JOKES AND PLAYING MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

ABOUT 90 ENTRIES IN EACH CLASS ARE EXPECTED: THE CONTEST, LASTING THREE DAYS, WILL BE HELD AT THE HALL OF THE SAU MAU PING (SOUTH) ESTATE WELFARE BUILDING IN HIU KWONG STREET WITHIN THE ESTATE, STARTING OFF WITH THE INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES ON MONDAY, MARCH 31 FROM 10 A.M. TO 12 NOON AND 2-4 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, THE GROUPS WILL COMPETE DURING THE SAME TIMES. THE FINALS AND PRIZE-GIVING WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, APRIL 4, FROM 3-5 P.M.

ADJUDICATORS WILL BE MS CHAN LAI-CHUN, HEADMISTRESS OF THE PO LEUNG KUK SAU MAU PING KINDERGARTEN- MS KUNG LAI-WAH, HEADMISTRESS OF THE SALVATION ARMY SAU MAU PING KINDERGARTEN AND MS GRACE YEUNG KWAI-FONG, THE SUPERVISOR OF THE GOSPEL DEBATING SOCIETY'S SAU MAU PING NURSERY.

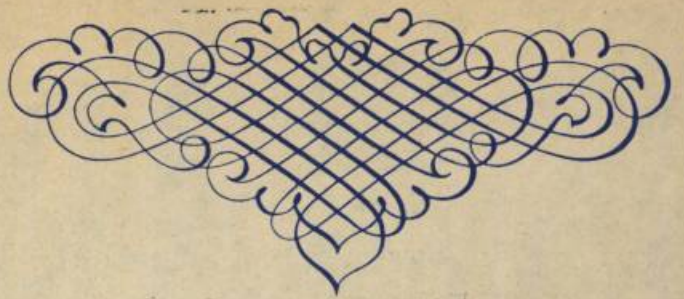
THE CONTEST IS ORGANISED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S COMMUNITY WORK OFFICES IN THE CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN AREAS OF SAU MAU PING TOGETHER WITH THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUBS ASSOCIATION SAU MAU PING CHILDREN CENTRE.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE CONTEST ON ANY OF THE DAYS MENTIONED.

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ROYAL VISIT PRESS RELEASE



Saturday, March 29, 1975

THE QUEEN'S IMMENSE ACCUMULATION OF EXPERIENCE

The Transformation Taking Place In Royal Ceremonials

The Queen's historic visit to Hong Kong in May will be marked, in accordance with tradition, with a certain amount of ceremony and much colour.

The first relates to the role of the Queen as the personification of the state, and the second acknowledges the general wish of the public, wherever the Queen goes to see as much of her as possible.

The Queen herself, though aware of the strenuousness of ceremonies, is fully dedicated to their need. Ceremonials have always been associated with British kings and queens.

In spite of the changes that have taken place with the altered outlook of both the Sovereign and the people, certain traditional customs and usages remain. Royal marriages, the birth of royal children, and royal funerals are marked by public ceremony, though to a lesser degree nowadays than in the past.

All the Queen's official travels abroad are undertaken in the full glare of publicity, except for private intervals which are necessary to enable the Queen, as head of the executive, an integral part of the legislature, the head of the judiciary, the commander-in-chief of all the

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armed forces of the Crown, and the temporal 'governor' of the Church of England, to keep up with current domestic and international events, and to rest between engagements in arduous programmes.

The overseas tours which the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh make together never fail to arouse interest, both in Britain and in the world at large, but especially in the Commonwealth or foreign territories being visited.

At one Commonwealth conference, the Queen was advised to ration the demands on her time by receiving only those she had not met before. But the Queen was determined to see everybody personally. If they had made the effort, so would she.

"How does the Queen convince people that she really wants to see them, and is not just fulfilling a duty?" asked Elizabeth Longford, historian and author of several books, including *The Royal House of Windsor*. She provided her own answer. "In two words," she said, "shining sincerity."

Many people in Hong Kong - especially the young - will realise if they happen to be in the path of the Queen's 'walkabouts', that talking to her for a few moments is to be captivated by what is called her charisma - a combination of grace and candour.

The term 'walkabouts' needs an explanation. Previously, what was called royalty's 'mystique' imposed a barrier between the Sovereign and the people, so that Britain's kings and queens almost never paused, during public engagements, to talk to the man in the street. They smiled, acknowledged cheers with a wave of the hand, nodded - and passed on.

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But the Queen introduced many changes into the style of her reign to bring herself and the people closer together. It was from this that the 'walkabouts' were conceived. They were tried out in Australia and New Zealand, where the Queen met many people who would have had no other opportunity of personal contact, and were an immediate success. Nowadays, the whole exercise is spontaneous.

The Queen's tours have given her the opportunity of accumulating over the years an unrivalled and unique experience.

Sir Alec Douglas-Home, a former Prime Minister and now the Earl of Home, in a television interview, said: "The Queen has an ever-lengthening experience. She knows every Commonwealth Prime Minister from her tours in the Commonwealth and from Commonwealth meetings in London, and I should think every Commonwealth statesman personally."

This May, the Queen's visit to Hong Kong will add another item to her immense store of personal knowledge of her overseas domains and their people.