



# DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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HONG KONG AT A GLANCE  
ELEVATION TINTS A FEATURE OF NEW MAP  
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ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR MAPS OF HONG KONG EVER MADE HAS JUST GONE ON SALE IN A NEW, IMPROVED AND UPDATED FORM. HILL SHADING AND ELEVATION TINTS HAVE BEEN USED TO MAKE THE RELIEF OF THE TERRITORY READILY APPARENT TO THE USER.

THIS LATEST PRODUCT OF THE LAND SURVEYORS AND CARTOGRAPHERS OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IS THE MAP ENTITLED +HONG KONG, KOWLOON AND THE NEW TERRITORIES+, PRODUCED ON A SCALE OF 1 TO 50,000.

THE MAP CONSISTS OF TWO SHEETS WHICH CAN BE STUCK TOGETHER TO GIVE A WALL MAP ABOUT 2 METRES LONG AND 1.3 METRES HIGH.

SHEET I SHOWS THE WESTERN PART OF THE NEW TERRITORIES MAINLAND TOGETHER WITH LANTAU AND LAMMA. SHEET II DEPICTS HONG KONG ISLAND, KOWLOON AND THE EASTERN NEW TERRITORIES. EACH SHEET IS PRICED AT \$5.

THIS DUAL-LANGUAGE MAP IS THE WORK OF THE SURVEY BRANCH OF THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, AND THE DIRECTOR OF LANDS AND SURVEY, MR. IVOR STANTON, DESCRIBED IT TODAY AS +A NOTABLE AND WELCOME ADDITION TO THE GOVERNMENT'S RANGE OF POPULAR MAPS+.

THE GOVERNMENT LAND SURVEYOR, MR. JIM BENTLEY, WHO IS HEAD OF THE SURVEY BRANCH, COMMENTED: +THE NEW MAP PROVIDES THE ANSWER FOR ANY RESIDENT OF HONG KONG WHO WANTS TO SEE THE TERRITORY BOTH AT A GLANCE AND ALSO IN GREATER DETAIL THAN IN OUR TOURIST-TYPE MAPS.

+NOT EVERYONE CAN INTERPRET UNSHADED CONTOUR LINES EASILY AND THE INCLUSION OF HILL SHADING AND ELEVATION TINTS IN THE NEW MAP IN ADDITION TO THE CONTOUR LINES MAKES IT FAR MORE INTERESTING AND INFORMATIVE TO THE AVERAGE USER.+

THE OLD 1:50,000 MAP HAS ALREADY GONE THROUGH THREE EDITIONS, WITH AT LEAST 30,000 SHEETS SOLD OR ISSUED.

THIS OLD VERSION WILL CONTINUE TO BE MADE SINCE IT IS STILL THE MORE SUITABLE MAP FOR PEOPLE SUCH AS CIVIL ENGINEERS, PLANNERS AND DEVELOPERS WHO WISH TO ADD THEIR OWN MARKINGS TO IT FOR PROFESSIONAL REASONS. A FOURTH EDITION IS NOW BEING PREPARED.

THE FIRST EDITION OF THE NEW MAP RUNS TO 5,000 COPIES OF EACH SHEET. THE MAIN PLACES OF SALE ARE THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE AT THE STAR FERRY CONCOURSE AND THE MAP SALES COUNTER OF THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE ON THE 19TH FLOOR OF MURRAY BUILDING.

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OTHER RETAIL OUTLETS ARE SWINDON'S BOOK SHOP, THE HONG KONG BOOK CENTRE, AND THE PAK LUK BOOK SHOP.

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NOTE TO EDITORS: A PHOTOGRAPH SHOWING SHEET 1 OF THE OLD AND THE NEW MAP WILL BE BOXED FOR COLLECTION TODAY.

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**CROWN LAND SALE**  
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TWO LOTS OF CROWN LAND WITH A COMBINED AREA OF OVER 20,200 SQUARE FEET WILL BE OFFERED FOR SALE BY AUCTION NEXT MONTH.

ONE OF THEM, COVERING SOME 17,000 SQUARE FEET OFF CHUNG HOM KOK ROAD, STANLEY, IS FOR PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, WHILE THE OTHER IS FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES. THE SECOND LOT MEASURES ABOUT 3,265 SQUARE FEET AND IS LOCATED OFF TSUN MAN STREET, ABERDEEN.

THE AUCTION WILL TAKE PLACE AT 2.30 PM ON MAY 23 IN THE CITY HALL LECTURE ROOM.

FULL PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES (WEST WING), HONG KONG, AND FROM THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE, KOWLOON GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 405 NATHAN ROAD, 10TH FLOOR.

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ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO COST MORE LAST MONTH

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AN INCREASE OF 12 POINTS WAS RECORDED IN THE INDEX FOR ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND TOBACCO IN MARCH DUE MAINLY TO THE HIGHER DUTIES IMPOSED ON THESE ITEMS OF COMMODITIES, ACCORDING TO THE NEW CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES PUBLISHED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT TODAY.

THE NEW CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (A) COVERING FAMILIES IN THE \$400-\$1,499 MONTHLY EXPENDITURE BRACKET AND THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (B) COVERING FAMILIES WITH A MONTHLY EXPENDITURE OF BETWEEN \$1,500 AND \$2,999 WERE BOTH 106, ONE POINT LOWER THAN THAT FOR FEBRUARY.

DURING THE MONTH, DECREASES WERE RECORDED IN THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES FOR RICE, SALT WATER FISH, FRESH WATER FISH, LIVE POULTRY AND FRESH VEGETABLES, BUT THE AVERAGE RETAIL PRICE OF PORK HAD ADVANCED.

AS A RESULT OF THE HIGHER CHARGES FOR TELEPHONE SERVICES, THE INDEX FOR SERVICES FOR THE MONTH HAD ALSO GONE UP.

MOVEMENTS IN THE INDEXES FOR OTHER SECTIONS OF COMMODITY WERE INSIGNIFICANT.

THE GENERAL CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR MARCH WAS 184, FOUR POINTS LOWER THAN THAT FOR THE PREVIOUS MONTH.

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RAILWAY COACH AS BAR ?  
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HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO WINE OR DINE IN A BAR OR RESTAURANT WHICH WAS FORMERLY AN OLD RAILWAY COACH USED FOR CARRYING PASSENGERS UP AND DOWN THE TRACKS BETWEEN KOWLOON AND LOWU?

THIS IS A NOVEL IDEA PUT FORWARD BY THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY MANAGEMENT AND IF RESPONSE IS GOOD, VERY SOON HONG KONG WILL HAVE ONE OR MORE OF THESE IN SERVICE.

THE KCR IS NOW OFFERING ELEVEN OF ITS PRE-WAR COACHES FOR SALE AND INSTEAD OF HAVING THEM SCRAPPED AS WAS THE PREVIOUS PRACTICE, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THESE COACHES SHOULD BE PUT TO A BETTER USE.

THE COACHES ARE AMONG 14 PRE-WAR COACHES WHICH HAVE RETIRED FROM PASSENGER SERVICE SINCE THE ARRIVAL OF THE 40 NEW COACHES LAST YEAR. THE REMAINING THREE WILL BE RETAINED BY THE KCR FOR OTHER USES.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THESE OLD COACHES ARE STILL IN A REASONABLY GOOD CONDITION AND COULD BE ADAPTED WITH SOME MODIFICATIONS FOR USE AS BARS, RESTAURANTS OR EVEN HOLIDAY BUNGALOWS, PARTICULARLY IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

EACH COACH IS ABOUT 64 FEET LONG, 14 FEET HIGH AND 10 FEET WIDE. THE OLDEST COACH HAS BEEN IN SERVICE AS EARLY AS 1910.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT PRICES FOR THE COACHES ARE NEGOTIABLE AND THEY CAN BE BOUGHT SEPARATELY. THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED SHOULD CONTACT THE GENERAL MANAGER, RAILWAY, AT THE TERMINAL BUILDING IN TSIMSHATSUI.

THE COACHES ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT THE KOWLOON CANTON RAILWAY WORKSHOP IN SHATIN NEAR HO TUNG LAU.

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GOVERNOR TO OFFICIATE AT SCOUT RALLY  
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THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, IN HIS CAPACITY AS CHIEF SCOUT OF HONG KONG, WILL OFFICIATE AT THE ANNUAL ST. GEORGE'S DAY RALLY OF THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION, HONG KONG BRANCH, AT 4 P.M. ON SATURDAY (APRIL 26).

SIR MURRAY WILL ALSO PRESENT SCOUT AWARDS TO OFFICIALS AND SCOUTERS FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING AND EXCELLENT WORK IN SCOUTING.

AMONG THE AWARDS PRESENTED WILL BE A SILVER WOLF AWARD, THE HIGHEST HONOUR IN BRITISH SCOUTING, A SILVER ACORN AWARD AND TWO BAR TO MEDAL OF MERIT AWARDS.

THE RALLY WILL BE HELD AT THE POLICE FOOTBALL GROUND AT BOUNDARY STREET, KOWLOON.

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NEW JURY LIST  
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MR. SIMON HERBERT MAYO, THE ACTING REGISTRAR OF THE SUPREME COURT, ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT A FURTHER LIST OF COMMON JURORS WILL BE POSTED ON THE NOTICE BOARD NEAR THE LIFT INSIDE THE SOUTH-WEST ENTRANCE OF THE SUPREME COURT BUILDING ON MAY 5, 1975.

THE LIST WILL REMAIN POSTED FOR 14 DAYS. DURING THIS PERIOD ANY PERSON MAY APPLY BY NOTICE IN WRITING TO THE REGISTRAR REQUIRING THAT HIS NAME OR THE NAME OF SOME OTHER PERSON BE POSTED OR REMOVED UPON CAUSE DULY ASSIGNED IN THE NOTICE.

THE REGISTRAR SHALL IN HIS DISCRETION, POST OR REMOVE THE NAME ACCORDINGLY AND SHALL, IF NECESSARY, ALTER THE LIST.

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## TROPICAL CYCLONE AND HEAVY RAIN PRECAUTIONS

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WITH THE APPROACH OF THE RAINY SEASON IN HONG KONG AND THE ANTICIPATED RATHER MORE-THAN-AVERAGE SUMMER RAINFALL THIS YEAR, THE DIRECTOR OF ROYAL OBSERVATORY, MR. GORDON BELL, SAID TODAY THAT IT IS TIME NOW TO TAKE SOME PRELIMINARY PRECAUTIONS TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE READY TO MINIMIZE THE DANGERS AND FINANCIAL LOSSES CAUSED BY HIGH WINDS, LANDSLIDES AND FLOODINGS DUE TO TROPICAL CYCLONES AND RAINSTORMS. COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS IS THE KEYNOTE FOR MINIMIZING THE DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, INJURIES AND LOSS OF LIFE WHICH CAN RESULT FROM THESE STORMS.

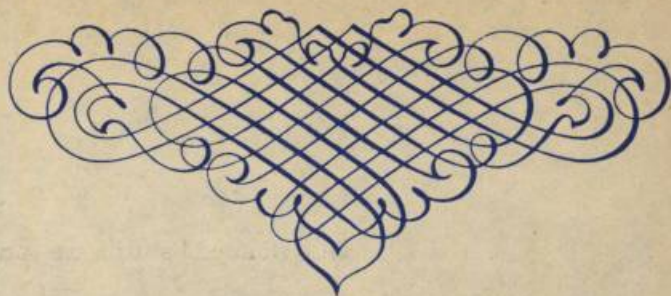
THOSE WHO HAVE SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES DURING STORMS SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEIR INSTRUCTIONS AND RELEVANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE UP-TO-DATE. GUTTERS AND DRAINS SHOULD BE CLEARED AND CHECKED FOR DAMAGE. BOLTS, LOCKS AND SHUTTERS OF ALL WINDOWS AND DOORS SHOULD BE CHECKED AND, IF NECESSARY, REPAIRED. OWNERS OF SMALL CRAFT SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEIR MOORINGS ARE IN GOOD CONDITION.

HE REPEATED THE EARLIER REQUEST OF THE P.W.D. AUTHORITIES THAT ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS AND CONTRACTORS SHOULD MAKE SURE THAT SITE WORKS ARE PROTECTED AGAINST HEAVY RAIN TO AVOID LANDSLIDES AND FLOODING.

WARNINGS OF THE APPROACH OF TROPICAL CYCLONES WILL BE GIVEN IN PLENTY OF TIME, AS IN RECENT YEARS. HOWEVER, IT IS OFTEN ONLY POSSIBLE TO GIVE A FEW HOURS NOTICE OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THOSE HEAVY RAIN OR THUNDERSTORMS CONDITIONS WHICH ARE NOT DUE TO TROPICAL CYCLONES. SITE ENGINEERS MAY THEREFORE NOW WISH TO CONSIDER WHETHER THEY SHOULD SUBSCRIBE TO THE CALLING SERVICE OPERATED BY THE HONG KONG TELEPHONE CO. TO PASS ON ROYAL OBSERVATORY THUNDERSTORM AND HEAVY RAIN WARNINGS. CARDS EXPLAINING THE THUNDERSTORM AND HEAVY RAIN WARNING SERVICE AND THE TROPICAL CYCLONE WARNING SERVICE ARE AVAILABLE AT THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY AND THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

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# ROYAL VISIT PRESS RELEASE



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## TEENAGE POLICE CADET TV IDOL

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Lam Ka-wah, 17, is one of 300 cadets at the Royal Hong Kong Police Cadet School who will be on hand when the Duke of Edinburgh visits the school on May 5.

Ka-wah is a typical cadet. He goes through the regime of study, recreation, training and group discipline like 299 others. He is clean-cut and fresh - indeed, all his colleagues are - and on parade nothing distinguishes him, or lifts him above, the trim anonymity of the group.

Yet he is different, for he comperes a popular television programme, Junior Police Call, screened every Saturday night, and has become the idol of thousands of teenagers.

They like his style, his obvious enjoyment of the part, the sincerity he brings into it, and his ease before the camera. To them, he is almost a professional at work, the boy next door suddenly projected into another extra-curricular role.

But Ka-wah himself is aware of the effort involved. He realises that his composure is the result of confidence acquired during training provided by the school. Not born shy, still the naturalness he portrays has not been plucked out of the blue, but cultivated after much encouragement and moulding.

/The school's aim .....

The school's aim is to impart this sort of confidence to its recruits. All are given the dedicated training which Ka-wah happens so successfully to mirror.

The emphasis is on development of character and personality by courses conceived to extract from those undergoing them not only high moral, intellectual and physical standards, but also the growth of self-discipline, awareness of the role and duty of the individual within society, and a sense of pride in community service.

On the screen, Ka-wah teaches young viewers elementary police work and sets them simple tasks, such as watching out for wanted criminals and stolen cars.

He reconstructs recent crimes in an effort to encourage eye-witness type of information, and provides hints and advice on ways to prevent crime. His style is homely, friendly, and the young viewers enjoy while they learn.

In his own way, Ka-wah is also learning.