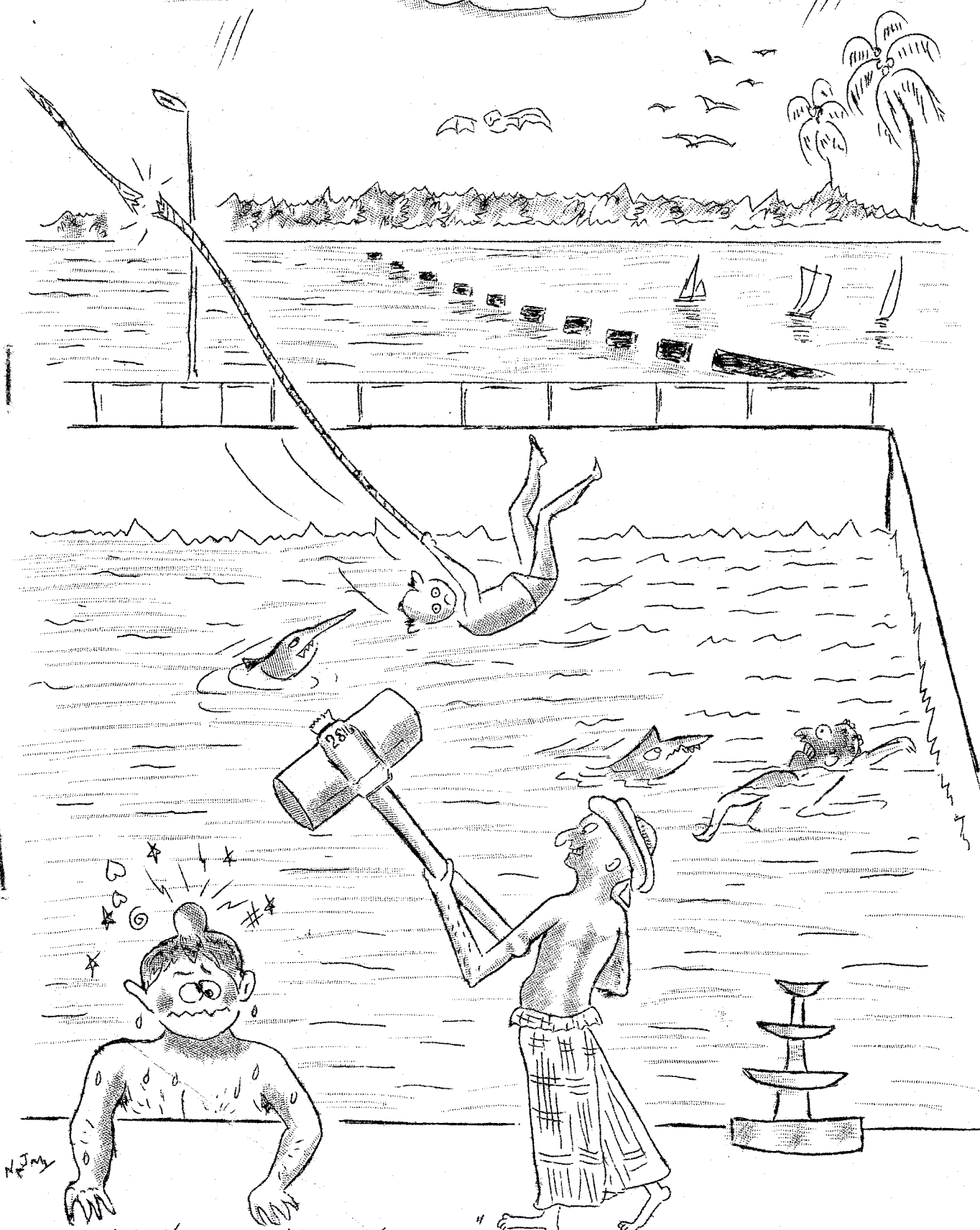


Gan Island Post



"IT'S A KNOCK OUT" — SAT 1400

Editorial

Mine has been a short but enjoyable tenure of the office of Editor. During that time I believe there has been a steady improvement in the quality of our magazine and I hope that this will continue. It must depend on you, the readers, continuing to send in your contributions. I shall be returning shortly to UK so I am pleased to introduce the new Editor - Flight Lieutenant Len Hart - and to wish him the best of luck with future editions.

Deciding whether or not you are liable for Capital Gains Tax on selling your house can be a confusing affair. Included in this weeks issue is an article which contains the up to date gen on whether you are liable, and if so, how it is calculated.



Paul Jenkins
Editor

GAN ISLAND POST - WEEK ENDING 31ST AUGUST 1974

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THE REAL ENEMY IS WITHIN

(After two years of imprisonment in Buchenwald Concentration Camp)

This for me is the first lesson of the camp — that it made beasts of some men and saints of others. And the second lesson of the camp is that it is hard to predict who will be the saint and who the beast when the time of trial comes.

Men famous and honoured in pre-war France, regarded as natural leaders, showed neither spirit nor authority in the camp. Other men, of seemingly mediocre brains and character, who would never have been noticed in ordinary times, shone out like beacons as the true leaders. Under the stress and strains imposed by life in the camp, only one thing prevailed — strength of character. Cleverness, creativeness, learning, all went down; only real goodness survived.

Sooner or later weakness of fibre was revealed in a man, and sooner or later it destroyed him. Self-discipline was essential, and this is the basis of character. For instance — the question of the open fire. It had been very tempting, especially in the cold winter nights, to go and lie by the open braziers in our blockhouse. But it was fatal. A man began by lying some distance from the fire, on the outer ring. But the fire drew like a magnet. He would go closer to the flames, until finally he would get as near as he possibly could. The contrast between the heat of the fire at night and the cold of the roll call in the morning was too much for these poor human frames. It was only a matter of time before it killed them.

The fact that every prisoner knew this did not prevent a great many from succumbing. If a prisoner began habitually to leave his bunk in the night and lie down to sleep on the floor around the fire, you knew that he had decided, even if he had not faced his own decision, that death was preferable to discomfort.

As I write about the temptation of the fire, which symbolises all the temptations of the camp, I think of P., a famous scientist who was among us. P. had begun the downhill path by selling his margarine ration to obtain cigarettes. He could not afford this deficiency in fat, as well he knew, and it became necessary for him to obtain heat from the fire. Gradually P. moved from the outside circle of the sleepers to the centre. Every night he got a little nearer. For a week or so he slept as close to it as he could get. And then, because he had failed to discipline his craving for cigarettes, he died.

It seemed to me that those men displayed most character who had the capacity for living on their own and that these men possessed something which is easiest described as religion, faith, or devotion. I saw that leadership exercised by Christians. I saw it in communists, too. It was displayed by people who had no religious faith or political creed in any formal sense, but who still had some inner core which gave them a belief in life, when the rest of us were lost.

The camp showed me that a man's real enemies are not ranged against him along the borders of a hostile country; they are often among his own people — indeed, within his own mind. The worst enemies are hate and greed, and cruelty. The real enemy is within.

Pierre d'Harcourt, 'The Real Enemy'

From Nanette Newman's 'God Bless Love'

True love is when something has died and you still remember it
like my hamster

Bobby aged 6

I once saw someone fall in love in a car. It wasn't going though.

Sally aged 7

Radio Gan
RAF Gan

27th August 1974

On behalf of all at Radio Gan I would like to thank everyone for the barbeque for Radio Gan members, which took place on Saturday 17th August 1974.

It was made possible with a grant of £55 from PSI and we all thoroughly enjoyed our evening out at the 605 Signals Troop Club.

Thanking you once again

Martin J.A. Claridge
(Station Controller)

Letters From Home

Why not send the coupon below to the one in your thoughts. On completion return to "Letters from Home", Radio Gan, RAF Gan, BFPO 180.

PLEASE PLAY THE RECORDBY.....
(Artist)

OR

(ALTERNATIVE CHOICE)BY.....

FOR
(FULL NAME &
ADDRESS)

PREFERRED DATE
(IF ANY)

THE MESSAGE IS

AND THE REQUEST COMES
FROM (FULL NAME &
ADDRESS)

If you listen!

A recent survey undertaken by RGOP (Radio Gan Opinion Polls) indicates that more and more people are turning to other forms of entertainment during their leisure hours. A spokesman for RGE (Radio Gan Enterprises) said that it was natural at this time of year for a "falling off" in listeners in view of the holiday season, Hudson Bay Company goods, competition with Astra and the comparatively new sport of Maldie Oggy Troggin outside the Marine Bar. RGOP put the following questions to a specially selected 600 people and came up with the startling facts that 50% had never heard of RGE, 20% thought it was something to do with the Waveruler, 15% remarked something unprintable about KOS's and 10% thought it was very good though they personally had never listened. The other 5% remarks were considered, but as the persons concerned were struggling to get out of the monie drains at the time of asking, it was difficult to understand their broken jargon. The questions put were:--

Do you ever listen to Radio Gan and if so what do you enjoy listening to most?

No. 50% said this but did enquire whether they could make money by listening.

Sometimes. 20% said this and stated they thoroughly enjoyed the Station.
Open-Up Tape - Does it come from the Waveruler????

Yes. (they're all KOS's)

Yes. 10%. Excellent programmes - though personally we never listen.

Which "live" programmes do you listen too?

News (70%)

Time Checks ($\frac{1}{2}$ % - Frank David)

Any Questions (22% - Surprising as RGE do not broadcast this programme!*)

U/Ts choice (6% - especially if Block Music)

Don't Knows (Remainder)

Who is your most popular DJ

Kenny Everett (60%)

Tony Blackburn (30%)

Does DJ mean Dear John (10%)

What programmes would you like to hear on RGE??

Outside broadcasts from Marine Bar (30%)

Listen with Mother (20%)

Coronation Street (10%)

The Virginian (22%)

Radio One (8%)

Christmas Night with the Stars (2%)

Don't Knows (Remainder)

Can you make any suggestions for improvement of RGOP?

Yes, (But I must finish this Charlie first) - 50%

Is it a Quiz? (20%)

"I'll send you my suggestions on return to Land of Having" - 10%

Replace it with a brewery - (Remainder)

The survey conducted on 19 Aug 74 came to the conclusion that Radio Gan did exist and that it had an audience somewhere, "boosted by 50 million chit-chats" (Radio Gan spokesman). As no meritable criticisms had materialised RGOP decided to stay "on the air" at least until they could find out where they were. They would worry about their audience at a later date.

RGOP

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RADIO GAN TOP 10 (Week ending 31 Aug 74)

1. Thanks for the memory - SAS(P)CHA Collins (UK label Brand New No 1)
2. Humberside/Honington - Martin Claridge (Sales increasing)
3. Amateur Hour - John Bridgewood (Setting a new standard)
4. We'll meet again - Brian Magee (Re-released by new artist Oldie Label)
5. Q.C.A. - U/Ts choice (Tip for the Top)
6. Technical Error - Taff Fillips (Mike 2 sounds) New Chart Entry
7. The Sound of Music - Jason Lear (Amen Label) Double A side "Groovy Baby"
8. Give me just a little more time - Barry Leech (Robber Label) New Chart Entry
9. The Singing Postman - Bob Brame (Stickies Having Label)
10. Stuck in the "Middles" with you - Al Pimblett (Chart Climber - Midnight Plus label)

Out of Charts

- Give me money - George Richardson (Housey, housey label)
We'll meet again - Double T (Lera Vynn productions)
Classical Gas - Andy Andrews (Tuesday Monk label)
If I ruled the World - Barry Leech (MCU label)
The Tease - Dave Scott (Nobell - Label)
You don't have the magic anymore - Bruce Coutts, Kenny Deacon (KOS label)

New Releases

- I See - Martin Claridge (Oh good! label)
I've got 50 million chit-chats - Double T (Listen to Me label)
I'll be home for Xmas - Bruce Coutts, Kenny Deacon (Roundabout Label)

Chart Climbers

15. People who need people - Nigel Brenchley (Folk label)
17. It won't be long - Pete Much (TBN label)
28. Let me be there - Chris Powell (Pebble Mill at One Label-written by Olivia Need The John)

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Take Note

John Iddon and Bert Harper (both GEF) would like all footballers to know that they are leaving the island next week. That's one sending off they won't object too!!!!

See Distribution

CAPITAL GAINS TAX

Reference:-

- A. Inland Revenue Booklet CCT8
- B. DCI (Gen) S24/72

1. The following paragraphs are an extract from Inland Revenue Booklet CCT8, and gives advice and examples on the implications of capital gains tax on the sale of privately owned houses.

CHARGEABLE ASSETS AND EXTENSIONS

2. All forms of property, wherever situated, are assets for the purposes of the capital gains tax, subject to certain exceptions and exemptions which are described in paragraphs 66 to 105. "Property" includes incorporeal property generally such as debts or options, currency other than sterling, and property which was created by the person who is disposing of it, such as business or professional goodwill or copyright.

3. Interests in, or rights over, property are themselves assets. Thus, the right to explore copyright, or a lease of an item of plant, is itself for capital gains tax purposes just as much a piece of property as the copyright or the plant, although a different piece of property, and if the person who owns the right or lease or is entitled to the benefits which they confer disposes of them any gain which accrues to him on the disposal is within the scope of the tax.

4. An asset can be disposed of even if it comes into existence only on the disposal (Section 22(2)9b)); for example, if the owner of an item of plant grants a lease over the plant to some other person, that lease is treated as an asset of which he has disposed and any capital gain accruing to him on the disposal is within the scope of the tax.

The principal private residence

5. Gains accruing on the disposal of, or of an interest in, a principal private residence, that is to say, a dwelling house (or part of a dwelling house) which has been the owner's only or main residence, together with garden and grounds up to one acre in extent or such larger area as may be appropriate to the particular house, are exempt from capital gains tax (Section 29).

6. The degree of exemption is proportionate to the extent to which during the period of ownership the house has been occupied by the owner as his principal private residence. If he has lived in the house throughout the period of ownership all the gains which accrue to him when he disposes of the house are exempt from tax. In order to meet the case where an owner-occupier puts his house up for sale and moves into a new house, but cannot immediately find a buyer for his old house, full exemption on the gains is also given even though the owner did not actually live in the house for a period of up to twelve months immediately preceding the end of his period of ownership. Similarly, where there is a delay (normally of not more than twelve months) in taking up residence in a newly-acquired property so that building work or redecoration can be carried out, or while the necessary steps are taken to dispose of a previous residence, this period of absence will be ignored when the house is subsequently disposed of. In other cases, if during the period of ownership the house is rented to a tenant or if for some other reason the owner does not actually reside in it the exemption is limited to that proportion of the total gain accruing on the disposal which the period or periods of residence in total (but including in any event the last twelve months of the period of

ownership bear to the total period of ownership (Section 29(3)). For this purpose periods of residence and ownership prior to 6 April 1965 are disregarded.

7. Suppose, for example, that on 1 April 1967 an individual buys a freehold house until 30 September 1975 when he moves into a rented flat; and that he then lets the house until he sells it on 30 June 1981 for £8,400 after deducting the expenses of sale. The total gain which he realises is £2,400; the part of this gain which is exempt is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Period Occupied} + \text{the last 12 months of ownership}}{\text{Period of ownership}} = \frac{8\frac{1}{2} + 1 \text{ years}}{14\frac{1}{2} \text{ years}} = \frac{2}{3} \text{ approx.}$$

Two-thirds of the gain of £2,400 is therefore exempt and the remaining £800 is chargeable to capital gains tax.

8. Certain periods (in addition to any periods prior to April 1965 during which the owner of the house did not live in it are, however, to be disregarded, provided that both before and after those periods the house was the owner's only or main residence and that throughout those periods he had no other house eligible for exemption (Section 29(4)). These are:

- (i) any period or periods of absence which do not in total amount to more than three years;
- (ii) any period of absence during which the owner of the house (or the owner's husband or wife. If they are living together) was working in an employment all the duties of which were carried on outside the United Kingdom; and
- (iii) any period or periods of absence amounting in total to not more than four years throughout which the owner of the house (or the owner's husband or wife, if they are living together) was prevented from living in it because his employer required him to live elsewhere in order to be able to do his job effectively.

9. If there are periods of absence falling under more than one of these heads, all the periods are disregarded; that is to say, they are all treated as if the owner was still living in the house during those periods. For example, an individual buys and begins to occupy a house in April 1966; lets it to a tenant in January 1970 while himself living in rented accommodation; in December 1970 takes a job abroad for three years; on his return to the United Kingdom in December 1973 takes another job in which he had to live over the business premises; in December 1975 resumes occupation of his house; and sells it in April 1980. The 1970 period of absence is disregarded under head (i); the absence abroad (1971 to 1973) under head (ii); and the period when he had to live over the business premises (1974 and 1975) under head (iii). Consequently he is not liable to pay capital gains tax on any gain accruing to him on the sale of the house.

10. Where a dwelling house is used partly as living accommodation, and partly for business purposes or for furnished or unfurnished lettings, the exemption applies only to that part of the dwelling house which is used as a private residence, that is to say, to the living accommodation (Section 29(5)). It is therefore necessary to apportion the gain which accrues when mixed premises of this kind are disposed of.

11. Apportionments may also be required in cases where, during the period of ownership, there is a change in the part of the premises which is used by the owner as his private residence (Section 29(6)). For example, after occupying the whole of his house the owner might convert it into flats, living in one of them and letting the rest; or different parts of the premises may have been used for residential and business purposes respectively at different times. In such cases the exemption for the residential part may be adjusted in such manner as the Commissioners concerned consider just and reasonable.

12. The exemption for the principal private residence extends also to three cases in which the occupier of the house does not own it.

13. First, the exemption is available for gains accruing to trustees on the disposal of a house has been occupied as his or her only or main residence by a person who is entitled to occupy it under the terms of the trust (Section 29(9)). This relief is also given in respect of a residence occupied by permission of the trustees of a settlement by an individual who is entitled, under the terms of the settlement, to the whole income from the residence or from its proceeds of sale (extra-statutory concession D3 in booklet I.R.1).

14. Second, a similar concession is available for gains accruing to the personnel representatives of a deceased person on the disposal of a house which before and after the death was used as their only or main residence by individuals who under the will or intestacy are entitled to the whole or substantially the whole of the proceeds of the house either absolutely or for life.

15. Third, in addition to the exemption which he can claim for his own residence, an individual can also claim exemption for a house occupied rent-free and without any other consideration as his sole residence by a dependent relative of his (Section 29(10)). For this purpose "dependent relative" means a relative of the owner or of his or her wife or husband who is incapacitated by old age or infirmity from maintaining himself, or the mother of the owner or of his or her wife or husband if the mother is widowed, separated or divorced. No person may claim relief for more than one house occupied by a dependent relative; if a husband and wife who are living together each provide a house for a dependent relative they cannot both claim exemption - only one of the houses can qualify.

16. Apart from this special provision for a house occupied by a dependent relative, no individual may claim exemption in respect of more than one house at a time, and for this purpose a husband and wife who are living together are treated as one person. Where the individual owns two or more houses and uses each as a residence, for example, a town house and a country cottage, it is necessary to determine which house is his principal private residence and therefore qualify for exemption. In the first instance, it is open to the owner of the houses to settle the question himself by giving notice to the Inspector of Taxes, but in that case he must give notice to the house which he proposes to select within two years of the beginning of the period of his ownership of two or more residences. If the owner does not nominate one of his houses in this way the Inspector is authorised to do so by serving a notice of determination on the owner. If the owner does not accept the Inspector's determination he has a right to appeal within 30 days to the General or Special Commissioners of Income Tax (Section 29(7)).

17. The exemption does not apply if the residence was acquired wholly or partly for the purpose of realising a gain from the disposal of it, nor does it apply to that part of any gain which is attributable to expenditure incurred after the beginning of the period of ownership and wholly or partly with a view to realising a gain from the disposal of the residence. If, for example, an individual who was the lessee of a private house under the terms of a lease which still had 30 years to run purchased the freehold because he was on the point of leaving the house and thought that he would gain a larger gain, over and above the additional cost of acquiring the freehold, if he could dispose of it as a freehold property, the additional part of the gain which related to his ability to dispose of the freehold interest would be outside the scope of the exemption (Finance Act 1968, Schedule 12, paragraph 2).

18. A limited number of booklets are to be obtained from Inland Revenue for the further information of interested parties.

PRIZE CARTOON

Only one caption was submitted for our prize cartoon last fortnight, so Col Bob Lake from 605 Signal Troop wins himself £1. The money is there each fortnight to be won, so try your hand at this weeks cartoon on the following page.

Caption submitted by Cpl Bob Lake

"I'M NOT A POSB, BUT MY ROOMBOY PAYS ME 50P A WEEK"



THIS WEEKS PRIZE CARTOON

The caption of this 1954 David Langdon cartoon was "and drive careful, these bomber chaps cost £25,000 apiece". Let's see if you can do better for the cash prizes of £1 for the best caption and 50p each for the second and third.

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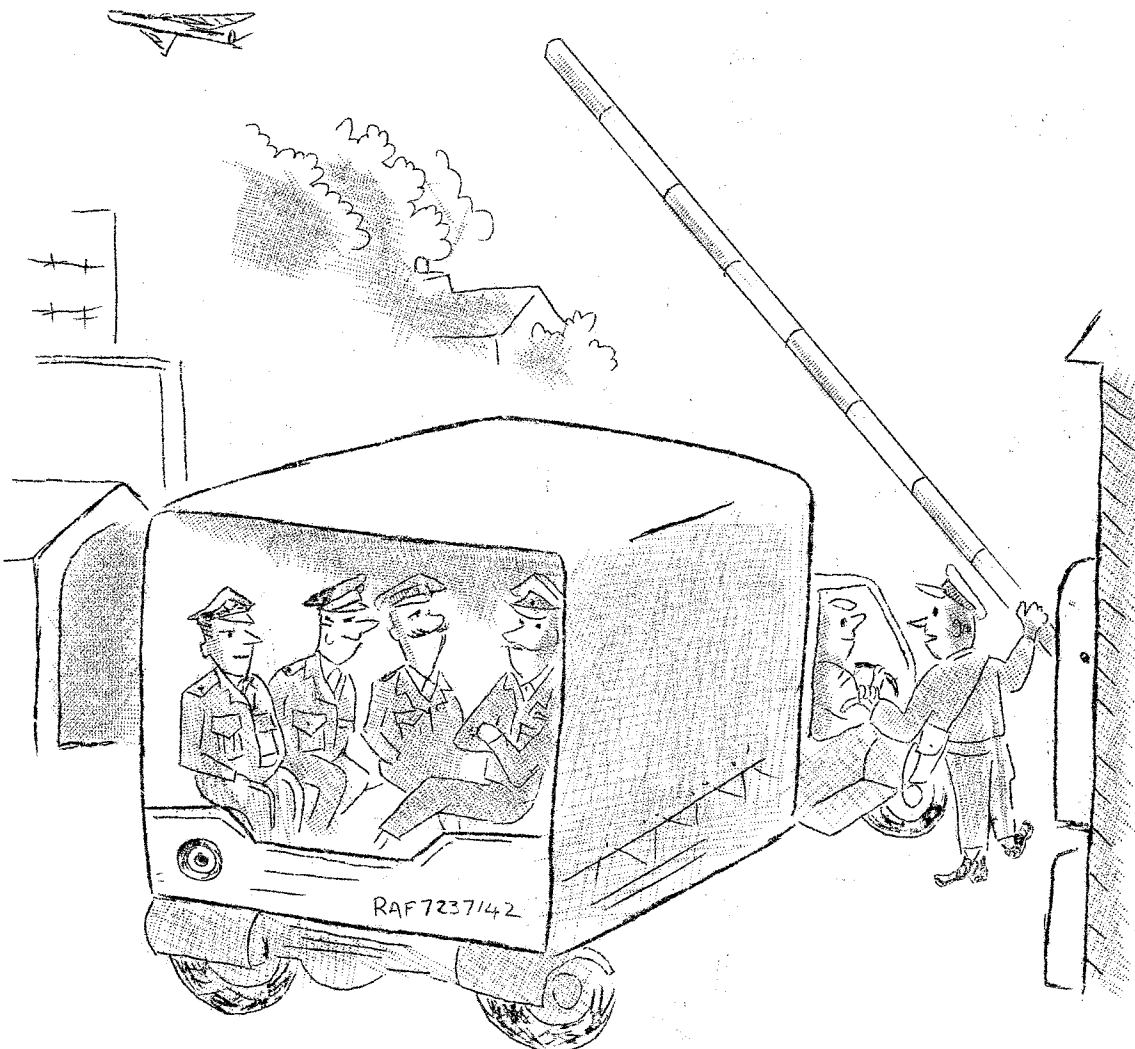
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TO GIP



TIME ON YOUR HANDS
Educational and recreational activities - Autumn 1974

1. The Education programme for the period Aug-Sep 74 is now finalised and weekly classes are held in the following subjects.

- a. English Language, Mathematics, Geography, Physics, Electricity and Electronics, General Paper (all GCE)
- b. English, Mathematics, Physics, Geography, Practical Economics, (RAF Education Test Part II)

Though the classes commenced the week beginning 19 Aug enrolments will still be considered. Interested personnel are to contact the Education Officer.

2. In addition to the above the unit has some thriving and well equipped hobbies and handicraft clubs namely:

- a. Woodwork - meets Mondays and Fridays at 1800 hrs in the Education Centre.
- b. Art - meets Thursdays at 2000 hrs in the Education Centre
- c. Car Maintenance - meets Tuesdays at 1930 hrs in the Education Centre.
- d. Dramatic Society - meets Marine Bar Mondays at 1930 hrs
- e. Photographic Club - meets in Building No 164 (contact Officer i/c Sqn Ldr Cottew Ext 209)

For further information contact the Education Centre (Ext 303)

3. Personnel interested in Aeromodelling, Bridge and Chess are to contact the Education Centre (Ext 303). If sufficient support is forthcoming clubs will be formed.

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BUBBLIES CORNER

This weeks Bunny of the Week award has been awarded and without a shadow of doubt too Barry. Falling overboard a 2nd time without assistance. How do you do it?

On Saturday Colin, Barry and Jim decided to have a go at being shark bait and a very good job they did. They attracted no less than six big beasties, Ugh! With knives drawn the intrepid three prepared to do battle if need be, with hearts beating ten to the dozen they decided walking on water was the only answer to the immediate problem.

Sunday which is the bubbly highlight of the week turned into the bubbly nightmare of the week. The following is an extract from the captain's log, stardate 1974/8/25. Met forecast was showers with better weather later, one mile out conditions rapidly deteriorated from worse to even worse. It was hell out there. The rain lashed and the raging storm raged and the waves got higher and higher, Bev lashed himself to the mast and the rest clung to the heaving decks except Chris the Duty Cox who had to keep demisting his mask in order that we didn't keep going around in circles. With visibility down to two hundred feet Captain Jenkines OBE (Order of the Bunny Empire) elected to try for the MDA, over at Hittadu where shelter was eventually found in the lee of the sailing club. The return was made in calmer water with three 'windies' in tow (makes a change for us to tow) and this is where Barry decided to do a one man Marie Celeste.

Congratulations to Ian who had just passed his third class (have you bought the beers yet?)

KOS KORNER

A well known phrase "What de Hell goin' on?" was recently transcribed into a more topical form of "Who de Hell comin' off?". This latter being applicable to a certain KOS (hereafter known as Bern the Bandage) who came down to earth with a bump in the recent cycle race. Our Bern was apparently well in the running when his mount was attacked by another and he promptly took off over the 'bars and made a heavy landing on a hard bit of Ganna Firma!! After due consideration our intrepid KOS remounted what was left of his machine pointed it at the receding dustcloud and proceeded in a somewhat shaky style to make up the lost miles. It has been said that others were able to navigate by the trail of blood - this may possibly be so, however, at the end of the day our hero was encased in a fashion not unlike an Egyptian Mummy! On being questioned about his experiences he replied lightly, "It was nothing really, as easy as falling off a bike", and he then went on to complain that his face ached when he laughed! The true KOS Spirit!!

There are some people who are very educated in the subject of the cinema, even to the point of being experts. Members of the KOS Mess can lay claim to fame in this field by virtue of the fact that they know and recognise the start of every film that has been shown on the Island, having seen each one at least ten times in as many minutes! This in itself would be a great achievement were it not for the fact that recognition was carried out under great strain - diversions such as no sound, backward sound, flickering, slipping lopps, running backwards, normal lens with cinemascope film - even the ploy of involving part of the building to block the screen could not put the observers off the scent!!

Indeed, a visit to KOS Mess cinema evenings is something of an adventure - one never knows what to expect and, as for film titles, it may be said that the epic travelogue known as T.B.N. is by far the most popular! However, the chairs are comfortable, the beer plentiful and dozens of KOS snores in grand unison more than make up for eccentricities of the sound track.

SOK (RETIRED - SOON TO
LAND OF HAVING)

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ODE TO AN ODDE ONE

There was a Flyghte Sergeante Nam'd Lunne
Who founde writynge verse lots of funne
He putte e's onne the ende,
Sente his chums rounde the bende
Backe home to the UK he's gonne.

Now, alas he's gonne over the foame
In Norfolkes fayre countye to roame
We'll misse his greate fame
Butte, whats inne a name?
There's others'l write theire owne tome!

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Is it true

Porky Powell wrote off to NATOCARS and the only reply he got was from A.E.C. and Leyland.

YOU CAN HACK IT
GIP QUIZ

General Knowledge

1. 'With all the world's' great heroes, there's none that can compare to whom?
2. What is the significance of the traffic sign that depicts a blue square with the letter P on it in white?
3. Come on you North countrymen what do 'hurst' and "thwaite" mean in English place names?
4. What was Stanley of Stanley and Livingstone famous Christian names?

History

5. When did women of 21 years of age first get the vote?
6. Who was the Prime Minister of Britain at the beginning of World War II?
7. Who was elected King of England in 1014 in defiance of Canute?
8. Who was the first Labour leader to become Prime Minister of Great Britain?

Nature

9. Which tree provides wood for making bows for archers?
10. What is thought to be the fastest flying insect in the world?
11. Which has the higher food value, a white egg or a brown egg?
12. What is meiosis?

The Arts

13. In which city would you find the Opera house known as La Scala?
14. How many strings has a violin?
15. Why in classical times did people go to Delphi?
16. Where was the first edition of the "Encyclopaedia Britannica" published?

Geography

17. On what river is Rome situated?
18. What famous cities are on the Nile?
19. How long is the River Severn?
20. Is the city of Shanghai in Japan or China?

Sport

21. Who does Johan Cruyff play for at club level soccer?
22. Who won the World Professional Squash Championship this year?
23. The following players hold a particular record in cricket, W.G. Grace, Tom Hayward, Wally Hammond, Charlie Hallows, Don Bradman, Bill Edrich and Glenn Turner. What is it?

24. What sport is played at Cowdray Park?
25. Who was the Captain of this Years Lions tour of South Africa?

Answers

1. The British Grenadiers
2. Parking Sign
3. (a) A wood or grove (b) a piece of reclaim land
4. Henry Morton ... Stanley
5. 1928
6. Neville Chamberlain
7. Ethelred II
8. Ramsay MacDonald in 1924
9. Yew
10. The bot fly (average speed 50mph) faster on short trips.
11. They're the same (sorry)
12. The process of cell division in which new cells each have half the chromosomes as the original cell.
13. Milan
14. Four
15. To consult the oracle (general office)
16. Edinburgh
17. Tiber
18. Alexandria, Cairo and Khartoum
19. 220 miles
20. China
21. Barcelona
22. Geoff Hunt
23. 1,000 runs before the end of May
24. Polo
25. Willie John McBride

Paddys Corner

Did you hear about the Irishman who drove his car into the Thames. He was told to dip his headlights.

or The Irish suicide pilot: He was killed on his 25th mission.

Two Irishmen won a fortune on the football pools and they decided to invest the money. The first place that Shamus suggested was British rail. When they discovered they would only get 10% Sean said he would pick where to invest and so he went to Manchester United. There he got 15%. Shamus queried as to how he got so much when British Rail would only offer 10%. "Easy" replied Sean "Utd carry more passengers"!!!

How do you recognise an IRA officer: By the gold braid around the top of his wellies.

GEE CRIPPER OF THE MONTH

Unanimous decision - Chalky White

THE AIR MEMBER FOR PERSONNEL'S LIAISON TEAM

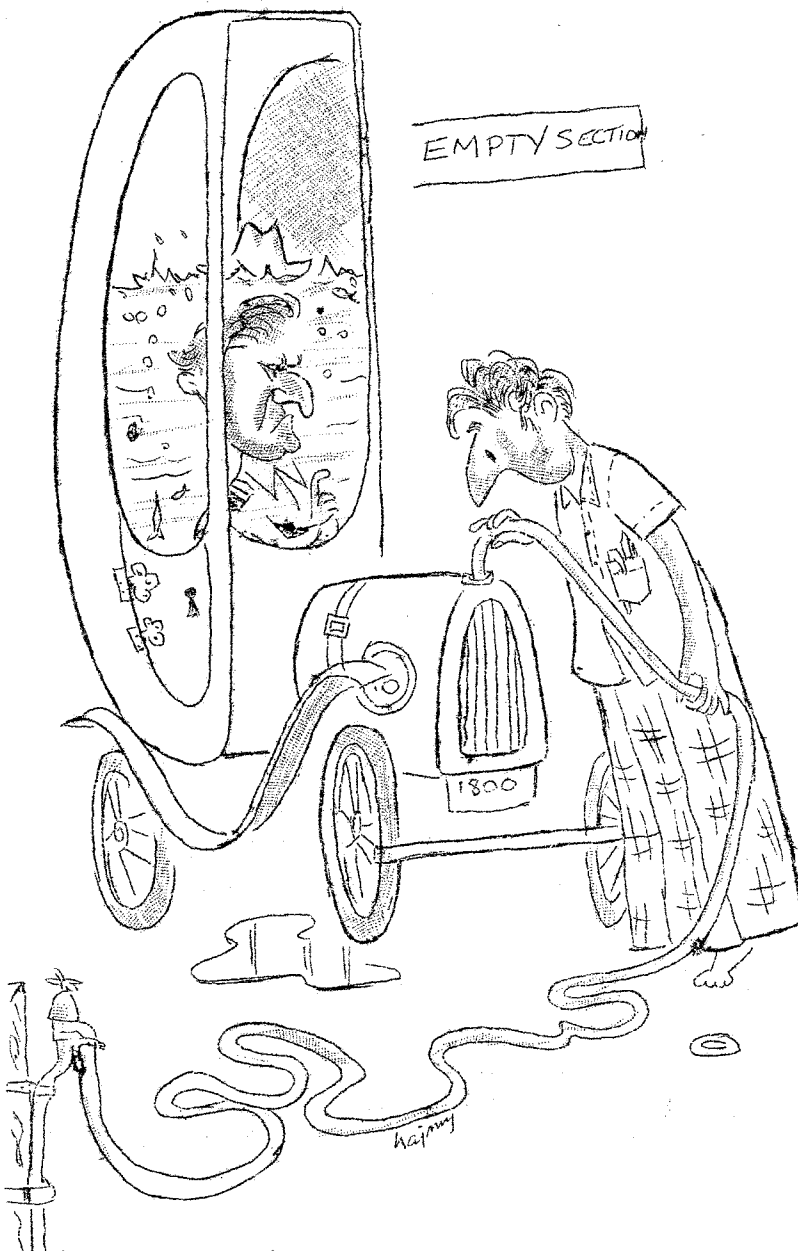
1. The Air Member for Personnel's Liaison Team (AMPLT) was formed in 1967, and is made up of a Wing Commander (Secretarial) and a Warrant Officer (Aircraft Fitter). The detailed terms of reference for the Team are given in DCI T98/72, but in simple terms the task of the team is to improve the spread of information about all aspects of airmen's conditions of service and, of equal importance, to obtain a feed-back of airmen's views on them. In other words we are communicators or Liaison Officers if you like, between the Air Member for Personnel and his staff who evolve the policy and you, the airmen who are most affected by it.
2. A tour takes the team to a geographical area overseas or to a group of stations at home, up to 16 in number, and each tour normally takes about 2 months. After we have been to that number of stations and talked to airmen and airwomen, we have a pretty good idea of the problems that are exercising them and these are reflected in the report which we write after each tour. This report is widely circulated and then we discuss it personally with the Air Member for Personnel and his Senior Staff. Many changes in policy or changes in emphasis have come about as a result of the PLT passing on airmen's observations or suggestions.
3. As communicators, the team has no executive authority and plays no part in the policy making process except insofar as the observations and suggestions of airmen as reflected in our reports, may prompt changes of policy.
4. We are not a careers advice team, nor are we ombudsmen itching to put right any grievance, real or imagined, that an airman may be labouring under. However, by the very nature of our duties we do acquire a considerable amount of knowledge and we are kept well informed and up to date on the way policy staffs are thinking

and what proposals are currently under consideration so that if an airman has a personal problem we are often able to advise him and are pleased to do so.

5. We enjoyed our visit to Gan recently and the points made to us then, particularly those from the MCU personnel who have been given prominence in our report.

OVERHEARD IN THE MARINE BAR

Our man reports that a certain 'moony' walked up to the bar and enquired as to where the Gents conveniences were!!!!!!



QUOTES FROM INSTRUCTION MANUAL ON WHAT TO SAY WHEN FACED WITH DIFFICULT PROBLEM

<u>Terminology</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
"I think I can say without fear of contradiction"	"I am an Air Officer"
"I am certain you will find"	"I am a Group Captain"
"It seems evident that"	"I am a Wing Commander"
"I hope this is clear"	"I am a Squadron Leader"
"Surely this is the case"	"I am a Flight Lieutenant"
"Hopefully you will find"	"I am a Flying Officer"
"It is possible that"	"I am a Pilot Officer"
"Well, it could be"	"I am a Warrant Officer"
"I shall make enquiries"	"I am a Flight Sergeant"
"What if we try.."	"I am a Chiefy"
"The evidence seems to point to..."	"I am a Sergeant"
"Well I'm not sure really"	"I am a Corporal"
"Hell and damnation"	"I am a J/P"
"Hang on a minute"	"I am an SAC"
"Oh, Dear..."	"I am an LAC"
"Mother...."	"I am an AC Plonk"

Think about it!!

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Letter to a National newspaper

The young blue-jacket was checking his knowledge of Chatham dockyard. The Navy Day crowds were already pouring in.

He glanced proudly at his "Guide" armband. He must be ready to tell visitors where refreshments could be obtained, where the first-aid post was, the lost children's enclosure and so on.

Suddenly an elegantly dressed elderly lady quietly asked him: "Sonny, could you tell me where the convenience is please?"

Being called "sonny" when he had been in the Royal Navy six months shook his composure; but he quickly steadied himself, determined not to have to admit he didn't know. Then he said: "Convenience? Ah, I think she is in Portsmouth having a refit"

THE FEDU CUP FIVE A SIDE SOCCER COMPETITION

1. A five a side soccer league comprising of 24 teams will be held in August and September. The first matches are scheduled to commence on Wednesday 28th August, weather permitting.
2. The league will be divided into 4 sections of 6 teams, each team playing the other teams in his section once. The first two teams (decided by the number of points scored) in each section will go forward to the last eight. From this point the competition will take the form of a knockout.
3. The four teams in each section who fail to qualify for the last eight will go forward in a separate "plate" knockout competition.
4. Points will be awarded as per Football League rules. If, at the end of the play off sections, teams are level on points then final placings will be decided on goal averages. In the event of a draw in the knockout stage, extra time will not be played, the match will be decided on penalties.
5. Normal five a side soccer rules, with the following two exceptions, will apply in each match played:
 - a. Infringements caused by goalkeeper on roll-outs will no longer be a penalty offence, the opposing team will be awarded an indirect free kick six feet from the D.
 - b. Referees will no longer issue cautions, offences that in the past have called for cautions will be dealt with by sending the offending player from the field of play for periods of two to five minutes.
6. Any player who sent off the field of play, except those dealt with in para 5b, will automatically be subject of a hearing by the Gan Island Football Association Disciplinary Committee.
7. Every effort is to be made to play the matches on the date arranged, but if this proves impracticable, fixtures may be arranged to take place either one day before or one day after the due date. Requests for re-arrangements must be made to the undersigned at least 48 hours before the date of the match. Failure to comply with this rule will result in the team being forced to play the scheduled match or to concede the points on a walkover. A walkover will be shown as a 2-0 win to the opposing team.
8. Officials for all matches will be appointed by Jnr Tech Varndell, the referees secretary.

Is is true?

That when the Vickies were coming in between 0545 and 0630 local, ATC was asked if they could get them to land on runway 010 so that they could give the Daisies an early morning call!!!!!!

ALL types of plumbing and heating work undertaken. 24 hour emergency service.

Local paper

Sir, - My brother, the late Adml Sir James Ferguson was second in command of the big guns of the Naval Division on the Paardeburg side in the South African War. The names of the captains of his two guns were Mr Canon and Mr Ball.

Susan G Baird
Edinburgh

Letter in Sunday Times

Since her fiance had a habit of declaiming poetry, the young woman driver was not perturbed when as she took a blind corner fast, he exclaimed in alarm, "Brake, brake!"

Even I know that one - "on thy cold gray stones, O sea" she chirped, two seconds before hitting the back of a coal cart.

Daily Telegraph

Friday September 6, the Rt Hon J Knock Powell at Birmingham Press Club Dinner, Birmingham Press Club (Not open to the Press)

Handout from Conservative Central Office

An unappreciative employer forces sluggish and immature man, 33, to find almost any job in the lovely Lake District; over payment for unimpressive talents might conjure up a flicker of interest in the tolls of business whilst a longing for an 'away from it all' existence - if fulfilled - could result in early senility; single, of course. Replies, if any, to Box 504

Advert in Kendall Gazette

Room and Bedroom to foreign couple or dzentlmens near sea baths. Electric bells hot voter and seperet salon.

Brazilian paper

Edinburghs Director of Education, referring to sex education is reported to have said: "Teachers noticed a new look in children's eyes after an experimental course"

Letter in Sunday Express

Death was due to strangulation due to asphyxiation caused by strangulation resulting from gagging.

Evening News

(by the way he'd stopped breathing. Ed)

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True Advert for a hotel door lock - leaflet with lock.

PUSH BUTTON DOOR LOCKS
EUREKA Type SIGNAL
new

the most complete practical rational locks for the
doors of the Hotel Rooms

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The client, locking up the door, automatically releases the RED and advertises outside that he is in his room and NO TROUBLING. When the client forgets to lock up, the inside signaller remains WHITE and so in each moment it advertises him of the forgetfulness. The RED signaller has so the function of the THIRD LOCKING, giving to the client the SECURITY to be NOT TROUBLMD, without the inconvenience the client be obliged to rise from bed or to come out of the bath for opening to the called waitress

Interested in Sailing?

The Can Island Sailing Club welcomes anyone who fancies trying his hand at probably one of the most attractive sports on Can. Weather and sea conditions combine to make this a really excellent pastime. Full facilities are available for cruising or, if you feel more ambitious - racing.

Novices will be trained by qualified 'Helms' in basic sailing technique and will learn how to sail in safety and with competence in a relatively short time.

Training days are on Tuesdays and Thursdays but if you wish to come down on other afternoons just ask to see the Officer of the day (OD) and he will make every effort to see that you are shown around and taken out for a sail. Wednesdays and Saturdays however are normally reserved for racing.

Sailing will be on two weeks 'free trial' after which you can decide whether you wish to join the club or that Sailing really isn't for you.

Why not come along and see - There's no harm in trying.

RON DUNN GISC SECRETARY

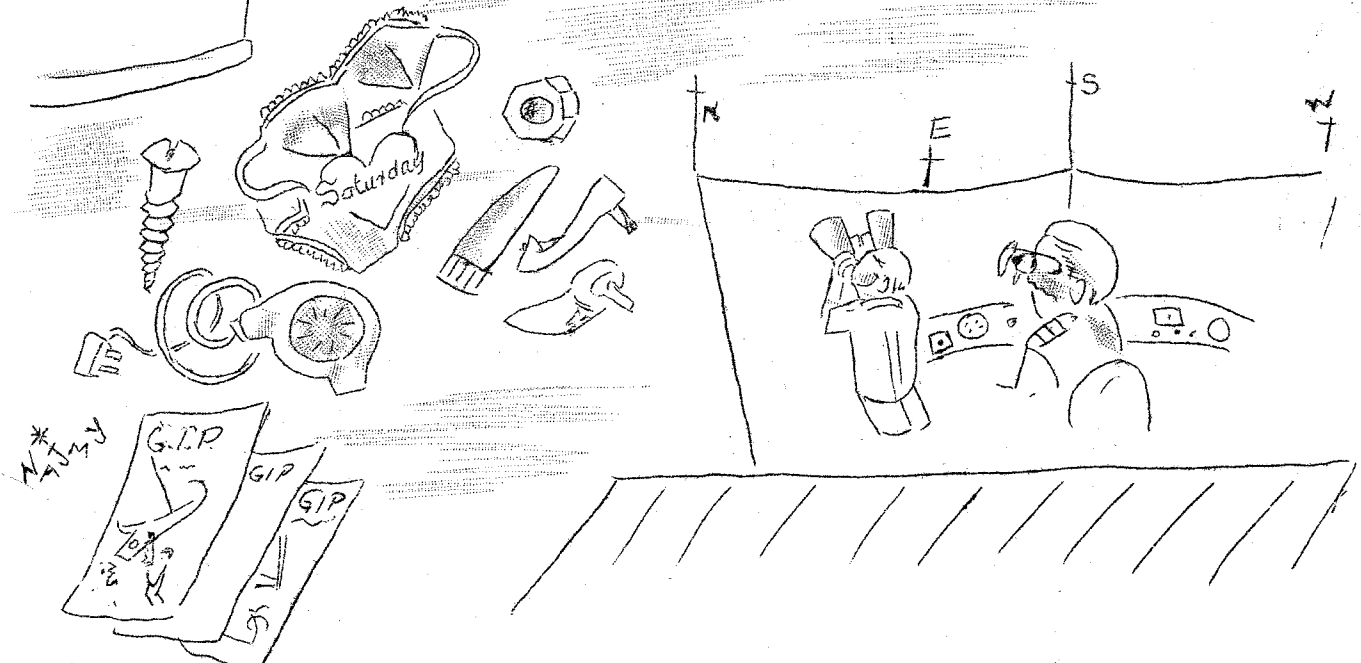
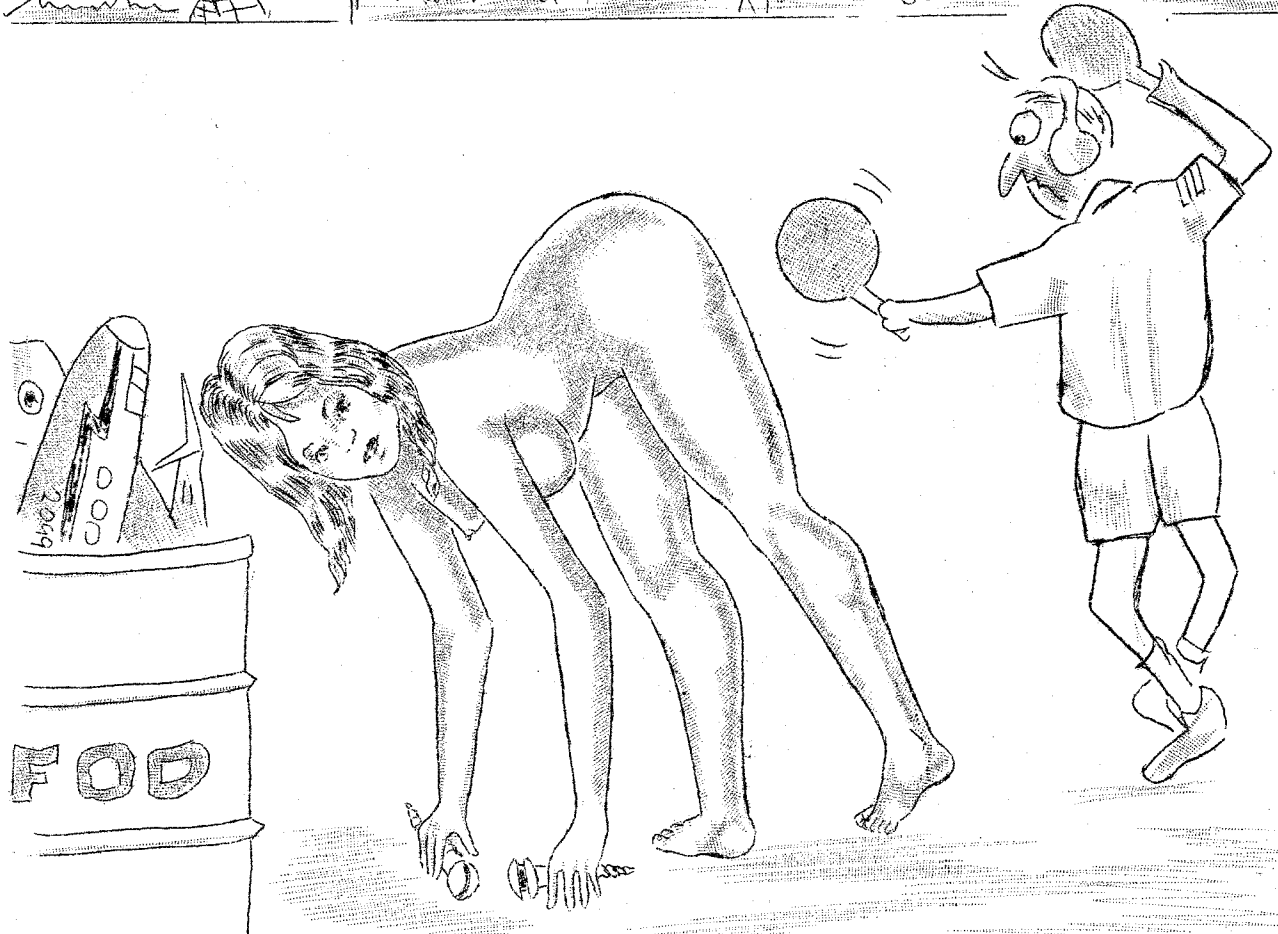
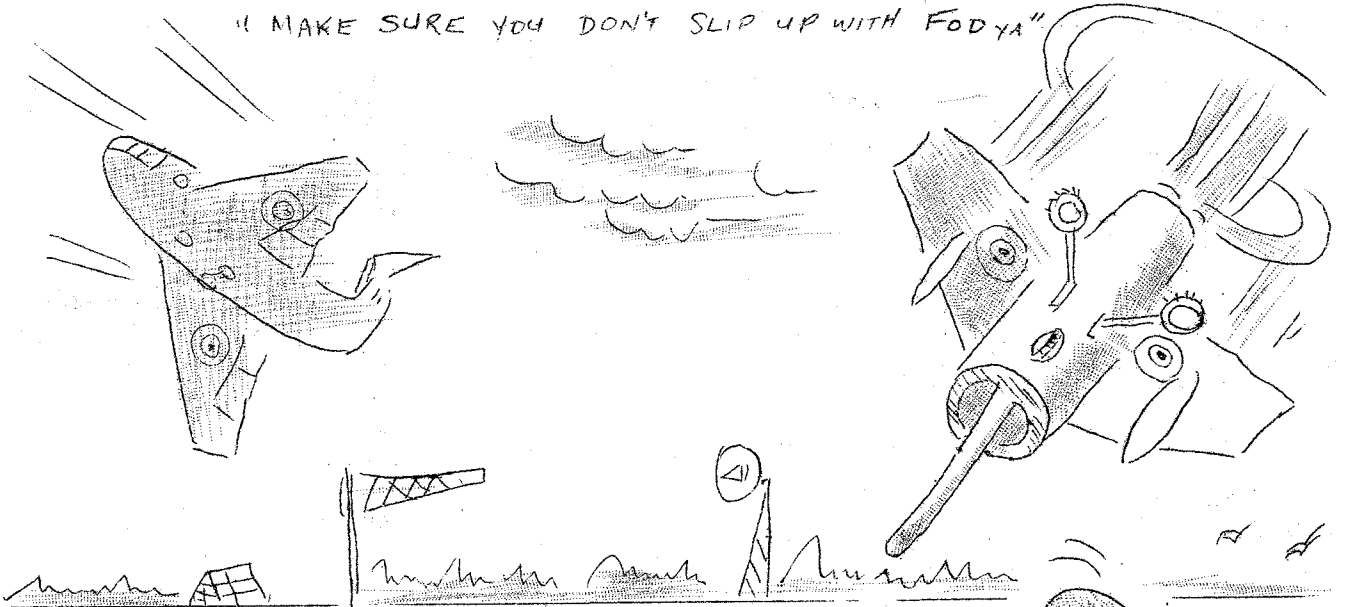
Definition of Sailing Terms

STAYSAIL	Do not use engine
GALE	Do not use sail
ENGINE	Cannot staysail
MIZZEN	Lost
FORESAIL	Crew of Four
SHROUDS	Used line instead of Coffin for burial at sea
STAYS	Doesn't go
FORESTAY	The rest go home
PURCHASE	Merchandise bought at sails
BOOM	Minor increase in the F.T. Index
STARBOARD	Fed up with astrology
PORT	Place for going about
BONDED STORE	007 High Street
SHEETS	Best bring sleeping bags
SLEEPING BAG	Lazy female
OVERBOARD	Very fed up
DINGY	Unattractive/Drab
HURRICANE	Whip
BOWLINE	Recreational activity using 10 pins
HALF HITCH	Engagement
CLEW	What the crews don't have
HEAVING LINE	Sea sick crew
TACK	Needed if one is to refrain from making tackless remarks
LUFF	What you are expected to do after the 'mates' jokes
LEECH	Chinese for wealthy
TOPPING LIFT	SOOPER Elevator
COMPASS	Don't just stand there you can get by.

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