

The annual Report of CISPOTEL, the Civil Service, The Post Office & British TELECOM Lifeboat Fund



26 April **1986** - ST CYBI II, the Fund's 40th Lifeboat, shortly after her naming ceremony at Holyhead, with several guests aboard for a short trip round the harbour. Photograph by courtesy of Jeff Morris



CIVIL SERVICE, POST OFFICE AND BRITISH TELECOM LIFEBOATS IN SERVICE

13 life boats out of 40 boats, one inflatable and one Atlantic 21, the cost of which has been defrayed by the contributions of Civil Servants and Officers of the Post Office and British Telecom establishments at home and abroad, remain in the service at various stations in the British Isles. The list of Civil Service boats and the number of launchings and lives saved in 1986 is as follows:

Station	Name of Boat	Type of Lifeboat	When Built	Launches	Lives Saved	Vessels Saved
BEAUMARIS	Greater London II	Watson	1955	6		
	(Civil Service No.30)					
WORKINGTON	Pentland (Civil Service No.31)	Watson	1957	3		
DUNBAR	Joseph Soar (Civil Service No.34)	Watson	1963	2		
EYEMOUTH	Eric Seal (Civil Service No.36)	Waveney	1973	2		1
TORBAY	Edward Bridges (Civil Service No.37)	Aron	1975	30	22	8
MARGATE	Silver Jubilee (Civil Service No.38)	Rother	1977	7	6	2
PORTRUSH	Richard Evans (Civil Service No.39)	Aron	1981	3		
HOLYHEAD	St Cybi II (Civil Service No.40)	Tyne	1985	13	7	2
SOUTHEND-ON-SEA	Percy Garon	Atlantic21	-	16		
		*1/F'D' Class	-	36	17	10
Relief Fleet						
Formerly stationed at:						
PORTRUSH	Lady Scott (Civil Service No.4)	Watson	1949	9		
HOLYHEAD	St Cybi (Civil Service No.9)	Barnett	1950			
ALDEBURGH	Charles Dibdin (Civil Service No.32)	Beach	1959	1		
LIZARD -CADGWITH	The Duke of Cornwall	Barnett	1960	11		1
	(Civil Service No.33)					
CLOVELLY	Charles H Barrett	Clyde	1965	6	13	4
	(Civil Service No.35)		TOTAL	145	65	28

The Fund contributes $\pounds 5,000$ per annum towards the maintenance of these boats and also refunds to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution the allowances on service paid to the crews.

*Inflatable.

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The Chairman, Deputy-Chairman, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer are ex-officio members of the Executive Committee.

REPORT FOR 1986

The COUNCIL have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report for 1986 of CISPOTEL, the Civil Service, Post Office and British Telecom Lifeboat Fund.

Contributions

During the year ending 31 December 1986 the Fund had received \pounds 104,806.04 through donations and subscriptions. In addition RNLI credited the following additional suns to CISPOTEL: from Fund's subscribers £4,374.81; and interest on funds transferred to the RNLI and not expended by them in the year £3,367.94. Expenses, consisting largely of bank charges, amounted to £3,500.67. £20,009.95 was also received through sponsorship of individuals in the 1985 and 1986 Half Marathons.

News of our Lifeboats

The Fund's Lifeboats were launched 145 times in 1986, 30 less than in 1985. Sixty five lives and 28 vessels were saved and 24 persons landed.

The following report, which first appeared in the Spring 1987 issue of "T he Lifeboat", the Journal of the **RNLI** (Volume L Number 499), describes an incident in the Firth of Forth in November 1986 when JOSEPH SOAR (Civil Service No. 34) was called into service:-

"A Danish Gas Tanker, INGA THOLSTRUP, ran aground on Craig Waugh, two miles south east of Inchkeith in the Firth of Forth, early in the morning of Monday 10 November 1986. Forth Coastguard alerted Dunbar lifeboat station, 20 miles to the east of the accident, and by 0815 the 47ft Watson class lifeboat, JOSEPH SOAR (Civil Service No. 34) was heading for the casualty.

"Although visibility was good a south-wester ly gale force 8, gusting to storm 10, was blowing and there were very high seas with 10 foot swell in the whole area. It took two and a half hours to reach **INGA** THOLSTRUP, a 2,000 tonne tanker with a cargo of Alphabutylene gas on board. She was firmly aground but it was hoped that she could be towed off by attendant tugs on the next high tide which was due at 2200.

"Rescue helicopters from **RAF** Leuchars were also on scene but the gale force wind was making their task very difficult. The casualty wanted three of her crew members taken off and so JOSEPH SOAR, under the command of Coxswain Noel Wright, ran alongside, took the three men aboard and proceeded to Leith where they were landed. She then returned to the grounded tanker to await further developments.

"As the day progressed it became clear that with her cargo of liquid gas, any attempt to refloat INGA THOLSTRUP would be extremely dangerous. Urgent discussions were held between the owners, unde rwriters and the port authorities as to the best solution and it was finally decided that the best course of action was to unload the tanker before making any attempt to refloat her. Because of the prevailing weather this plan was also fraught with danger and Forth Coastguard asked JOSEPH SOAR to remain on scene during the operation. The divisional inspector for Scotland South was informed and he arranged for Anstruther's 37ft Oakley class lifeboat, THE DOCTORS to provide relief for JOSEPH SOAR and remain on station in the vicinity during daylight hours . JOSEPH SOAR was duly relieved by THE DOCTORS at 1200 on Tuesday 11 November and a pattern of watches was established for the next three days. "Two sister ships of the casualty, ELISABET and TINA THOL-STRUP, arrived on the scene and, with improving weather and sea conditions, the unloading operation began and continued throughout Wednesday 12 and Thursday 13. During this period, as indeed throughout the entire service, a total ban on smoking and the use of naked flame was strictly applied and all other shipping in the area was requested to keep well clear of the casualty.

"With the successful transfer of her cargo completed INGA THOL-STRUP was towed off Craig Waugh at 2200 on Thursday 13 by a tug and safely anchored at Cockenzie at 2235. At 2345 Forth Coastguard advised that lifeboat cover would no longer be required and both lifeboats proceeded to their respective harbours. JOSEPH SOAR arrived at 0230 on Friday 14 November where she refuelled, remoored and was ready again for service by 0300 hrs. THE DOCTORS was home by 0200 and was rehoused later that day in daylight.

"Following this service the honorary secretaries of both Dunbar and Anstruther lifeboat stations received letters signed by Rear Admiral W. J. Graham, RNLI director, thanking the crews for their long and arduous service carried out in very uncomfortable conditions."

Naming Ceremony of ST. CYBI II (Civil Service No. 40)

At the invitation of the Honorary Secretary of Holyhead Lifeboat Station the Fund's HONORARY SECRETARY, HONORARY TREASURER, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, their wives and the CHAIR-MAN attended the Naming Ceremony and Service of Dedication of the Holyhead Lifeboat RNLB "ST. CYBI II (Civil Service No. 40)" on Saturday 26 April 1986, at Holyhead Sailing Club, Newry Beach, Holyhead. Guests of honour at the ceremony were **Sir** Robert Armstrong, Head of the Civil Service, and Lady Armstrong.

Following the National Anthe m, The Right Honourable The Lord Stanley of Alderley, President of the Holyhead Lifeboat Station and a member of the RNLI's committee of management, opened the proceedings and welcomed guests and visitors. The lifeboat was then formally delivered to the RNLI by Sir Robert Armstrong. The Chairman of the RNLI, the Duke of Atholl, accepted the lifeboat on behalf of he RNLI and handed it to the care of the Holyhead lifeboat station. In /accepting the lifeboat, Mac Burnell, the station Honorary Secretary, said how delighted the lifeboat crew were to have a new Tyne class boat and how much they appreciated having a lifeboat which could be kept in the boathouse.

A Service of Dedication then followed, conducted by the Bishop of Bangor, The Right Reverend John Mears, who was assisted by the Reverend Canon Hywyn Jones and the Reverend Henry James. At the end of the Service the Chairman of the Holyhead Station, Dr Tudor Lloyd, invited Lady Armstrong to name the lifeboat "ST. CYBI II (Civil Service No .40)".

After the ceremony, the Fund 's Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Deputy Chairman and Chairman and Sir Robert and Lady Armstrong together with several others boarded the lifeboat for a short trip around the harbour, while a helicopter from RAF Valley flew overhead carrying an RNLI flag.

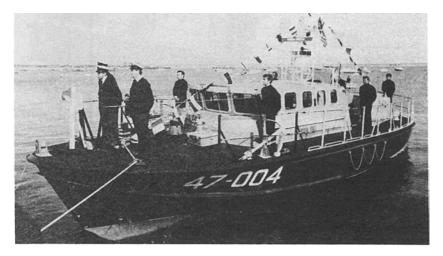
NAMING CEREMONY AND SERVICE OF DEDICATION OF THE HOLYHEAD LIFEBOAT RNLB "ST. CYBI II (Civil Service No. 40)"



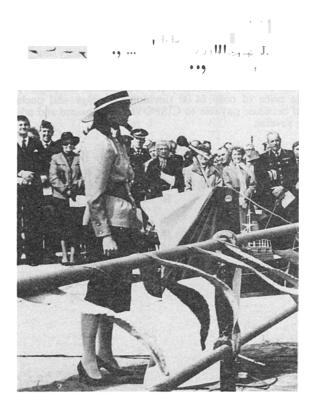
The crew prepare to launch ST. CYBI II down the slipway at Holyhead prior to the Ceremony.



ST. CYBI II is released down the slipway.



ST. CYBI II alongside Holyhead Sailing Club, Newry Beach during the Naming Ceremony.



Lady Armstrong names ST. CYBI II (Civil Service No. 40). All photographs by courtesy of Jeff Morris.

Representation and Publicity

REPRESENTATION - We welcome all new representatives who have joined us during 1986 and wish you much success in your fund raising activities. We have still not had a 100% response from all areas of the Fund and we would therefore urge all those representatives, and indeed all of you to ensure that our long established annual Appeal receives due consideration and the best support we can encourage.

DISPLAY MATERIAL, such as posters, (several different sizes), are available direct from RNLI HQ at Poole.

VIDEO - We have two copies, kindly provided by the RNLI, of one of their publicity films which is called "In Danger's Hour". The video is narrated by Raymond Baxter and features some footage of ST. CYBI II (Civil Service No. 40). If representatives feel they can make some use of the video in their fund raising activities it can be borrowed from the Honorary Secretary (for his address see page 4).

TIES - The CISPOTEL tie is still available. This is a specially designed tie in navy polyester with a single underknot motif depicting the RNLI motil in full colour with CISPOTEL lettering below in white. The tie is available from the Honorary Secretary (for his address see page 4) at a very reasonable price of only £4.00 (including postage and packing). Cheques should be made payable to CISPOTEL with name and address *printed* on the reverse.

Meetings

Several meetinss of both the Half Marathon 86 Committee and the Executive Committee were held during the year.

Special Fund Raising

1986 Half Marathon

On Sunday 28 September 1986 we returned to Windsor Great Park for what has now become our annual Half Marathon event. 770 runners took part and a splendid day was had by both entrants and supporters. The first runner to cross the finish line was a 22 year old HM Customs and Excise

employee, Mr G Whellams, who completed the course in 1 hour 13 minutes and 25 seconds, which was only 2 minutes 20 seconds outside the time of the winner of the Fund's first Half Marathon in 1984, also held in the Great Park. This year's event raised some £15,000 towards the cost of our forty-first lifeboat through entry fees and sponsorship of entrants.

The COUNCIL would like to take this opportunity to thank once more the small organising group led by Alistair Jaffray, who worked so tirelessly and enthusiastically on the 1986 Half Marathon, and whose efforts made it such a fine success.

Results:

First Five Runners

Position	Time Name	Race No	Age Department
1	1 13 25 Whellams G	178	22 HM Customs
			and Excise
2	1 14 51 Lumb M	986	37
3	1 15 47 Dillow J	107	30Home Office
4	1 17 09 Arthur J	680	28
5	1 18 02 Ford B	72	33 Home Office

Results:

First Five Female Runners

Position*	Time N	lame	Race No	Age	Department
1	1 46 24 F	Rambouhans	ML 4003	39	DĤSS
2	1 52 24 R	Rampton M	4096	34	
3	1 52 45 D	Downer P	4036	31	BT
4	1 52 47 N	Aorrison G	4111	39	Inland Revenue
5	1 53 04 E	Bromfield A	G 4117	30	
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*in relation to all 63 female runners.

Results of the 1986 Campaign

The money raised in the 1986 Campaign took us into six figures - the total received came to $\pounds 104,806.04$, which is a marvellous sum. Overall the Fund paid $\pounds 157,804.86$ to the RNLI during 1986.

Objectives for 1987

Last year the Council announced the Fund's new target for paying for one of the first of the new class of fast carriage launched lifeboats now under development, which are planned to enter service in 1988 or 1989. The cost will be in the region of £350,000 and we are already well on the way to meeting our target, with £73,765.02 in the kitty. The Fund's objectives for 1987, therefore, is to maintain the momentum of fund raising, with a new fast carriage lifeboat firmly in our sights. Nothing less than another six-figure result, repeating the success of 1986, will do!

1987 Half Marathon

We shall be organising our fourth Half Marathon, to take place in the autumn of 1987, and we are fortunate enough to be able to return once more to Windsor Great Park.

As for 1986 the entry fee will remain at £4.00 to help cover the costs of the event, but we need as many entrants as possible and, of course, generous sponsorship of all the runners to make the event a success.

Thanks

Finally, the COUNCIL would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Departmental representatives , and not least of all the contributo rs, for their hard work, continued support and generosity over the past year on behalf of the Fund and the RNLI.

> Signed on behalf of the Council Sir Angus Fraser, Chairman Peter Sims, Honorary Secretary

Dated April 1987

The Annual General Meeting was held at 1430 hours on Wednesday 1 April 1987 at the Crown Estate Office, 13-15 Carlton House Terrace, London SWI Y SAH.

The Chairman opened the meeting with a brief word about the "Payroll Giving Scheme" and the need for CISPOTEL to make sure that its claims were not overlooked when individuals made their decisions on contributions.

The Chairman then invited the guest speaker, Edward Wake-Walker, the RNLI Public Relations Officer, to address the AGM. His address is reproduced below:

"Thank you Sir Angus. First of all can I thank you very much for inviting me along this afternoon to keep you up to date with RNLI developments that I hope will be of particular interest to CISPOTEL, and may I say on behalf of the **RNLI** how extremely grateful the **RNLI** is for the work you do and everyone within the Civil Service, Post Office and British Telecom do to raise such a magnificent sum each year for the Institution. I always think that the CISPOTEL Fund is one of the most famous regular contributions to the **RNLI**, and it has certainly been going on for an extreme ly long time. Its regular donations, that we know are going to come in every year, are probably the most valuable that the Institution can receive. And so please be assured that all the work you do is enormously appreciated and is really something that we could not do without.

"Thanks to the support that we received from you and from everybody from within the country, 1986 was an extremely successful year for the RNLI, both operationally and financially. Our fund raising targets have been reached, and in fact have been exceeded, and we have raised around about $\pounds 30$ million in 1986. This makes the job of planning what the RNLI needs within the next ten years much, much easier. The fact that we know we are financially buoyant, the fact that we know we have a certain amount of reserves, means that we can plan our boat building into the future and we can plan various other operational requirements in the knowledge that we have got the funds to back it up. I know that CISPOTEL is always particularly interested in boat building because of the fact that you have to date provided 40 lifeboats for the RNLI's fleet and that the money you are raising at the moment is building up yet again to buy us another boat. There is every chance that the next boat that you will be buying will be one of our newest type which is what we only know at the moment as the Fast Carriage Lifeboat. This is a design that the Institution itself is developing and I should explain the reason why it is called the Fast Carriage Boat. It doesn't mean that it is a boat that goes around on a very fast carriage! It is a boat which the RNLI defines as fast because it will be capable of doing 18 knots which is round about double the speed that our conventional older lifeboats are capable of, and it will be launched off a beach from a carriage towed into the sea by a tractor .' We have 23 lifebo at stations where the lifeboat has to be launched in this way. It sounds a bit of a palaver launching a lifeboat like that but there are places where there is no other way of getting a

lifeboat to sea 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. If there is a harbour which doesn't dry out and there is a suitable mooring, then obviously it's good to have a lifeboat that can be afloat because that is the quickest way of getting to sea. If there is a place where a slipway has been built and the boat can be launched from a slipway then we can now supply that sort of station with a Tyne class lifeboat. However, those places where the tide goes out miles and miles, the only way to get the lifeboat to sea at any time is to be able to drag it out to sea on a carriage. At the moment we have boats which are capable of about 8 or 9 knots (the Oakley and Rother class boats) but this Fast Carriage Boat, which has not got a class name yet, is designed to replace these boats. Now they are smaller than the Tyne class and will not be as expensive as the Tyne class. We reckon it will cost about £325,000 to build whereas the Tyne class is now priced at about £530,000. It is an exciting new design and it has got to the stage that we have built a full scale model of the original design. This model has been tested and adapted in order to get it right and we can now actually build the first prototype of the class. That prototype is nearing completion at the moment and we are hoping that it will be undergoing trials throughout the summer and that by August this boat will be proved as a lifeboat. Soon after that it can hopefully go into production.

"We are pressing hard on this new design because there is quite a need for us to replace our Oakley class lifeboats, not only because they are slow boats but because we discovered a problem whereby they are deteriorating prematurely. It is a design problem which the RNLI could not possibly have foreseen and so it means that at the moment we are having to patch them up at quite some expense to make sure they are up to lifeboat standards. So as soon as we can get the new design ready and building the better. Once we are under way we are going to go flat out with building and we are going to need a lot of money. I think it will be very appropriate if the next CISPOTEL lifeboat could be one of this class. It would mean then that you had three of the most modern types of lifeboat funded by CISPOTEL- the Arnn, the Tyne and whatever class this will be called. We name our lifeboat classes after rivers and usually it is the name of the river on which the boat has been built. The Arun was built on the River Arnn at Littlehampton and hence that name. The Tyne was slightly different. The Chairman of our technical committee carrie from Tynemouth and he was very much involved in the development of that boat. At the moment we are a little bit stuck for a class name for the Fast Carriage Boat. There are a couple of rivers that run into Poole harbour. One certainly can't be used because that is the River Piddle, the other is the Frame. There are various other suggestions but it has not been decided yet.

"To update you on what your two most recent boats have been doing in 1986. RICHARD EVANS Civil Service No. 39 at Portrush in Northern Ireland has not had an extremely busy time because it was on survey from April to November and having an entirely new steering gear fitted. So she in fact only had a couple of launches in 1986. ST CYBI II was busier, even though she had a couple of months in the boatyard. She launched 13 times and there are 7 people who are alive today only because of that lifeboat.

"Returning to the subject of fund raising, we are all thinking at the moment about Give As You Earn, or payroll giving, because 6 April is the official launch date when the concessions on tax come into operation and that is when CAF, the Charities Aid Foundation, are launching their Give As You Earn scheme. Forgive me if I only mention CAF for the moment because that is the only agency which is up and running. The RNLI itself is keen that we should get as much out of payroll giving as we can; we don't want to get left behind. What we don't know yet is whether the scheme is actually going to generate an enormous amount of money or not. It has been said by the Treasury and the Charities Aid Foundation that they can see that there is a possible potential £100 million a year new income for charities from this way of giving. Should that be the case then the RNLI does stand to get, in the best circumstances, about 41/2% of that £100 million a year. I say 4V2% simply because we receive about 41/2% of charities' share of legacies and to me those that participate in payroll giving will go through very much the same thought processes as to which charities they want to support as those people sitting down and making out a will. I have to say it's very unscientific but I think it's a good way of trying to judge how well we are likely to do if the scheme is a success. However there are signs that people are being a little bit over optimistic about the effectiveness of the scheme. Nevertheless I am delighted to hear that CISPOTEL are planning to continue with their traditional way of raising money and not submitting to payroll giving as an alternative. I am sure this is the best policy. The only thing I would say to you is that when you become aware of payroll giving coming into being in your own office you should still try and push the RNLI as the charity to benefit. In other words Give As You Earn to the Lifeboats which is the message we are trying to put across nationwide."

Re-election of Officers:

Following Reports by the Secretary and Treasurer, the Deputy Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer were re-elected into office for a further year.

Confirmation of Executive Committee:

D E Munson was elected to the Committee as MOD representative in place of G W Brown MBE who had moved on to a ne-w post in the MOD. J E Dalziel was elected as Department of Environment & Transport representative in place of Miss R Grasso who had retired. The remaining members were all confirmed for a further year.

The Deputy Chairman's Address:

In his address the Deputy Chairman congratulated representatives on raising £104,806.04during the year. This had been only the second time subscriptions had reached 6 figures, the last was in 1982 following the tragic Penlee disaster which stimulated extra interest in the **RNLI**. The Deputy Chairman hoped that subscriptions would continue to top £100,000 without the extra stimulus of such a disaster. He said that if the Fund could keep up its efforts of raising £120,000 a year through subscriptions and the Half Marathon then we should be in sight of buying a new boat in 1988. The new boat would probably be one of the new Fast Carriage boats, but it was too early to say when or where she would be stationed. Nevertheless he hoped the Fund would be content with this objective.

The Deputy Chairman then spoke for a while about the "payroll giving" or "Give As You Earn" scheme. Clearly there were still one or two problems to solve but he stressed that although the Fund would be adopting the scheme, it did not mean that we would be abandoning the annual appeal. The two would run side by side but inevitably we could expect the amount of money raised through the annual appeal to reduce as people contributed through the "Give As You Earn" scheme. The Executive Committee had taken the view that, if anything , hopefully the scheme would increase the total amount raised.

Turning to the Half Marathon event s, the Deputy Chairman confirmed that planning was well underway for the 1987 run. He stressed that he did not know how much longer these events would continue since there was some evidence to suggest that so many organisations were seeking sponsorship that the returns were becoming diluted. However there was no doubt that the result of the 1986 event had encouraged the small Half Marathon Committee to organise another event. We had been extremely fortunate in securing the use of Windsor Great Park again in 1987, although it was by no means guaranteed that we would be able to return year after year.

Finally, the Deputy Chairman thanked the representatives for their hard work during 1986 and wished everyone an equally successful year during 1987.

CIVIL SERVICE, POST OFFICE AND BRITISH TELECOM LIFEBOAT FUND

RECEIPTSANDPAYMENTSACCOUNTFORTHEYEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1986

1985	RECEIPTS	198	6
	12,103.47 Balance brought forward, 1st January 1986 95,020.33 Subscriptions 14,330.68 Half-marathons - Sale of ties 3,241.81 Direct Receipts by RNLI 271.48 Interest on Giro Bank Account £124,967.77		43,763.39 104,806.04 20,009.95 153.00 4,374.81 46.54 £173,153.73
	PAYMENTS		
	75,624.99 Payments to RNLI 3,241.81 Payments made direct to RNLI		157,804.86 4,374.81
	Administration Expenses		
37.60 19.48 49.00	Telephone Answering Machine Travelling Postage & Stationery Annual Report Photographs	127.00 115.00	
34.50 2,197.00	Audit Fee Bank Charges	34.50 3,224.17	
2,197.00	2,337.58	5,224.17	3,500.67
	Purchase of Ties		353.15
21,560.58	Balances on 31st December 1986 Bank		
15,738.29 6,455.14 9.38	Girobank Sums in Transit Petty Cash	4,839.64 2,271.22 9.38	
	43,763.39		7,120.24

£124 <u>.</u> 967.77		

(Signed) A. Barker, Hon. Treasurer (Signed) Sir Angus Fraser, Chairman (Signed) A. R. M. Jaffray, Deputy Chairman

(Signed) K. G. Game, Member of Council

(Signed) D. Trathen, Member of Council

We have examined the foregoing Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31st December 1986 and we certify that in our opinion it records correctly the transactions of the Civil Service, Post Office and British Telecom Lifeboat Fund for the year under review as disclosed by the books and information and explanations supplied to us.

17thMarch1987

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£173,153.73

CANTERBURY

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

CIVIL SERVICE, POST OFFICE AND BRITISH TELECOM LIFEBOAT FUND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT WITH THE ROYAL NATIONAL LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1986

	£	£		£	£
Balance B/Fwd, IJanuary 1986 Moneys received by RNLI from central funds Moneys received direct	43,031.95	625.44	Expenditure by RNLI Service Allowances: 1986 Services	8,222.22	
by RNLI	4,374.81	147,406.76	Maintenance	5,000.00	13,222.22
Interest allowed on unexpended balances		3,367.94	Holyh ead Lifeboat ONJ095 Paid in previous years Paid this year	385,000.00 64,412.90	
			Cost of construction (final)	449,412.90 449,412.90	64,412.90
			Balance outstanding		
			Balance in Hand, 31112186		73,765.02
		151,400.14			151,400.14

I certify the above to be a true record of the remittances received by the Royal Nat io nal Lifeboat Institution from the Civil Service, Post Offic e and British Telecom Lifeboat Fund, and the alloc ation of those funds during the year ended 31st December, 1986.

24th February, 1987

R.M.S. PRIESTLEY, F.C.A., CHJEF ACCOUNTANT. ROYAL NATIONAL LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION.

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUND

Received during the year ended 31st December 1986

	£
Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Ministry of	160.91
Agriculture and Food Research Council	
British Telecom	9,924.73
Cabinet Office	
Crown Estate Office	70.50
HM Customs and Excise	
Defence, Ministry of	9,798.18
Education and Science, Department of	
Employment, Department of	12,914.95
Environment and Transport, Department of	6,391.27
Foreign and Commonwealth Office	628.39
Friendly Societies Registry	
Health and Social Security, Department of	20,123.85
Home Office	2,737.16
Inland Revenue	11,081.70
Land Registry, HM	
Lord Chancellor's Office	
NationalAuditOffice	
National Savings Department	
Overseas Development, Administration	275.98
Parliamentary Commissioner, Office of	
Paymaster General's Office	
Post Office	4,160.54
Public Record Office	
Science Research Council	
HM Stationery Office	
Trade and Industry, Department of	

SCOTLAND	£
Crown Office	
Scottish Office	2,992.43
Scottish Courts Administration	166.35
Post Office in Scotland	3,115.99
British Telecom	

NORTHERN IRELAND

Agriculture, Department of	
British Telecom	1,069.39
Court Service.	
Economic Develo pment, Department of	
Education, Department of	119.00
Environment, Department of	1,643.00
Exchequer and Audit Department.	
Finance and Personnel, Department of	
Health and Social Services, Department of	
Northern Ireland Office	
Northern Ireland Postal Board	
Police Authority	19.10

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Legacy, late Mr EH Sims	150.00
Legacy, late Mr JV Woods	132.10
Other	144.25

THE CIVIL SERVICE BENEVOLENT FUND

'Without the Fund I would be unable to work.

I hadn't known how vital the Fund is to civil servants and their families.

If every civil servant gave 50p a week much more anguish could be relieved. . . .'

John Cornish, Department of Environment. Disabled due to a road traffic accident.

'My heartbreak of retiring at the age of 38.... The Fund gave me an initial cash grant which came just when it was needed most.'

Sylvia Hughes, Ministry of Defence. Disabled due to multiple sclerosis.

Just two of the 6,000 beneficiaries helped by the Fund in 1986. Each year the Fund grants over $\pounds700,000$ to relieve the financial hardship of civil servants, staff of associated organisations and their dependants.

The Fund also runs 10 residential Homes where round the clock nursing care is provided. Convalescent care is also provided at Wessex House, Bournemouth, Lammermuir House, Dunbar, Scotland and at Osborne House on the Isle of Wight.

Please help the Fund by making a regular contribution to be deducted from salary. Further details from Fund House Anne Boleyn's Walk, Cheam, Sutton, Surrey SM3 8DY. Tel:' 01-642 8511.

THE ROWLAND HILL MEMORIAL AND BENEVOLENT FUND

THE ROWLAND HILL BENEVOLENT FUND exists to relieve distress of Post Office staff and their dependant s. In 1985/86 almost £155,000 was expended by grants and interest-free loans in helping 780 individuals. The majority of these were the widows of former Post Office staff whose only income was that provided by the Department of Health and Social Security. The assistance that the RHBF can give in these cases makes a great difference to their happiness and comfort. In addition, the Fund gives assistance towards nur sing home fees for Post Office pensioners and their widows.

WILL YOU HELP PLEASE - The RHBF could do so much more if it had more cash. There are many former colleagues or their dependants who are much worse off than you are. A subscription of a few pence per week is all that is required. Subscribers' forms can be obtained from your local Post Office, RHBF representative or direct from the Secretary, Rowland Hill Benevolent Fund, Room 404, Armour House, St. Martin's le Grand, London ECIA 1 AR. Tel: 01-432 5274. Individual donations are also welcome.

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BENENDEN CHEST HOSPITAL, KENT- Inaddition to the treatment of respiratory illnesses a wide range of medical and surgical treatment is now provided by the hospital.

MEMBERSHIP is open to EVERYONE in the Post Office, British Telecom and the Civil Service under 60 years of age on enrolment. Spouse, children and dependants under 60 can be included.

SUBSCRIPTIONS are deducted from pay.

BENEFITS are free after six months membership.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION about the Society write to the Secretary at the above address.