

THE BOUNTY-PITCAIRN CONFERENCE IN CALIFORNIA AUGUST 2012 - Herb Ford tull

Several Pitcairners and Pitcairn-related folk will be showing up come August 2012 at Pacific Union College which is located in California's colorful Napa Valley to participate in the 2nd International Bounty-Pitcairn Conference.

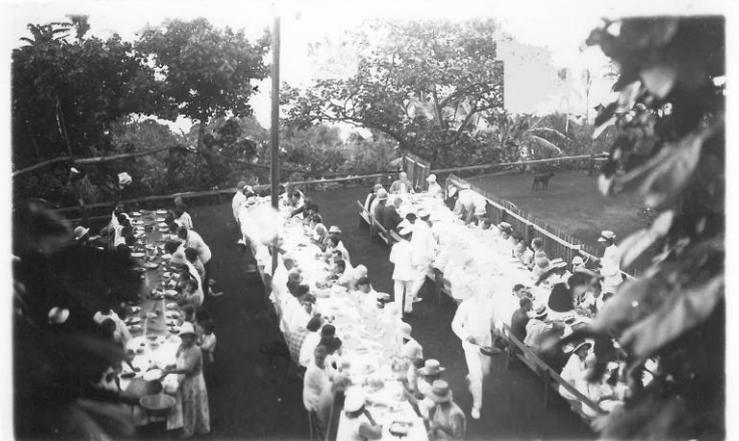
The conference, which is scheduled for August 19-21, 2012, will see Kari and Anette Young, Jacqui Christian, Leslie Jaques, Marie Christian Thomas, Maria Amo and Dr. Peter Cordon in attendance. Kari, Marie, Jacqui and Leslie will be among the featured speakers of the conference.

Some 15 speakers will address those attending the conferees on a variety of subjects relating to the principals of The Bounty Saga – Bligh/Bounty/Pitcairn/Norfolk. Skype interviews with Pitcairn's mayor will be initiated from the conference floor, and the world premiere of the new Pitcairn Island documentary *Dem Tull* will be shown to conference participants. Pitcairn tourism will be highlighted throughout the conference.

A wide variety of Pitcairn crafts will be on sale at the conference, and many Bounty-Pitcairn rarities will be on display. Those attending the conference will also have easy access to the Pitcairn Islands Study Center which is located on the college campus.

The first ever Bounty-Pitcairn Conference was held five years ago in St. Petersburg, Florida, with Reynold and Nola Warren, Tom and Betty Christian, Melva Evans and Marie Christian Thomas among the more than 100 participants.

Full particulars about the upcoming conference may be found at 2012BPC.com. The event is sponsored by the Pitcairn Islands Study Group and the Internet group Friends of Pitcairn.



TWO PHOTOS: From the Hare's family photo album. Our first motor boat and Public dinner at the square

ALTERNATIVE HARBOUR:

The funding for this project has been approved. A new harbor will be built at Water Valley on the Western side of the Island. Discussions on when the construction will begin is progressing. Hopefully it will start this year.

CHILDREN'S FARES ON THE CLAYMORE II:

We have complained about the fares on the Claymore II for sometime now especially when there was no difference between adult and children fares as provided by most other carriers of passengers elsewhere. The Governor has agreed to reduce the children's fares to: Ages 2 to 11 years = 50% of adult cost. While council minutes is silent on the matter, I understand children under 2 can travel for free but I suggest you clarify this when booking. Fantastic outcome. Now all we need to achieve is for the Governor to allow children to visit Pitcairn so they can take advantage of the change in fares, otherwise what is the point?



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Kari and Julie orn Pitcairn tull:

Hasn't time flown? The start of Volume 6. Seems like yesterday when Kari moved back to Pitcairn and we started Dem Tull after receiving many regular emails requesting news of Pitcairn.

Ships and yachts feature this month including the regular caller, yacht "Discovery" formerly named "Bounty Bay" which brought three tourists for a short visit.

This January Council agreed for power to stay on from 8.00 am to 10.00 pm instead of switching off at 1.00 pm and on again at 5.00 pm. This is to see what the extra the diesel consumption will be.

Plus there have been training and learning sessions, like the French language courses (to help when traveling through French Polynesia) and Emergency and Safety training.

And in January we celebrated Bounty Day when a mock Bounty is burnt down the landing.

The drought is well and truly over. There has been rain, rain and more rain and muddy roads.

Notwithstanding the wet weather it has been hot and humid as well with our fans going overtime thanks to the longer power times.

Thanks to Brian, Kari, Julie, Melva, Sheree and Johnny for the photos in this edition as well as to Susan for the photos supplied by her grandfather Andrew Hare in support of our historical article.

NEW YEARS DAY

The first day of the New Year started with a few rain showers which we hoped would not put a damper on the celebrations. We were in luck and the fun started with a medley of games played simultaneously at Aute Valley. There was a group of Tennis players, the smallest children playing croquet and ball throwing, and the main game involving a good number of Ucklun playing Pitcairn Rounders. A good number were just lying around on rugs cheering the players on, the busy ones multi-tasking while cheering and working on their souvineers for the upcoming cruise ships or those just sitting and chatting, all just relaxing and having a good time.

As is usual with the main game, players of all ages participate and play on their respective teams (of two). Ages ranged from the youngest Ryan, aged 7 who was allowed to hit the ball with a tennis racquet instead of the baseball type bat to the oldest (unnamed) of nearly 70 years. I didn't envy the fielders who had to chase after the ball, going in all directions, in the January heat, which was hot. In the first inning, Jayden hit the ball in the air which was caught by brother Ralph. He se Maato (out) someone yelled. Auntie Darralyn forgot how sore ones exposed legs can get when she skidded along the grass and graced a leg. Ouch. And young Torika, half way through the game appealed to spectator Nana to join their losing team, 'because we really, really need you'. At the end of the game, Bradley gesticulating wildly with his hands, bragged in front of Torika shouting, we won, we won, we won. Torika claimed, not so wildly, 'we only lost because we had a lot of old!!! people on our team'. I hope Nana didn't overhear her remark.