





So here we are. Six years after Henry disappeared, and this scary letter arrived yesterday. This is why we need your help!

The Greenshore District Council Greenshore House, Greenshore Greenshire GRR1 GRR

The Occupiers Hoakes Island Off the Greenshore Coast Greenshire

10th June 1959

To Whom It May Concern

Compulsory Purchase of Hoakes Island

The council has been made aware that the property known as Hoakes Island is now without an owner. The last known owner, Mr Henry Hoakes, disappeared six years ago and is legally presumed to be deceased.

This means that the council is within its rights to buy the island using a Compulsory Purchase Order. There is a pressing need for new executive flats in the area, and PoodleCo International, a local developer, has come forward with a plan to pull down the old Hoakes Island amusement park and replace it with the aforesaid much-needed flats. This is in line with the council's Policy No QG432 (a), 'You Can Have Too Much Of A Good Thing'.

It has come to our notice that you are a group of individuals living on the island and keeping the park rides in repair. Under the powers granted to the council under the 'We Can Do Anything We Want' Act (1949) you are ordered to cease all maintenance work on Hoakes Island and to leave Hoakes Island within one week.

Our lawyers inform me that I am legally obliged to tell you that if you can prove that you are the owners of Hoakes Island, by producing the title deed, we will not be able to proceed with the Compulsory Purchase Order. In that unlikely event, you would be recognised as the lawful owners.

Yours faithfully,

Arnold Grotflick MB, BoB, DOO, B(e), DOO Head of Public Niceness



Come for a day, stay forever!

To begin with, we panicked But then we came up with a plan, which I call 'Plan Rita':

- (a) Find a brave and clever human to help us that's YOU, by the way;
- (b) Find Henry's 'What to Do in an Emergency' letter;
- c) Find the deed

And now, let's get going. The next page we go to is ... Oh help. Got any ideas?







The first key! Something tells me we're on the right track. I don't know why it has a flag as a label, but Henry's put some flags and symbols on the map. Note them down - maybe they'll come in handy later.

Try the red lens thingy on that odd postcard and make a note of anything that shows up.







Hoakes House - at last! I'm in such a fluster I can't remember which door leads to the study - we'll have to use the house plan. It's on the map.

Each door to get inside the house has a number. If we can find the door that leads to the study I bet that the number is the next page we need to turn to. I don't think we'll need the map any more! Maybe Henry is now giving us page numbers instead.



As well as putting my memoirs in it, I've also used this notebook as a scrapbook. I still find this story emotional!



Confused crowds at Hoakes Island

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HOAX AT Hoakes Island?

By Sleazy McGleazy Our Entertainment Correspondent

The world of entertainment was in shock last night. Henry Hoakes, creator of Hoakes Island amusement park, has vanished without trace. The future of his unique attraction is now extremely uncertain.

Heir to a fabulous family fortune, Hoakes has spent decades building his park. As is well known, all of the staff are dressed up as talking animals. In recent weeks, Hoakes has been hinting that 'The Greatest Discovery in History' would be revealed on Hoakes Island this month. But now, two days after this 'Discovery' was due to be revealed, Hoakes has disappeared, and the park is all locked up.

The world of entertainment A local businessman, who did was in shock last night. not want to be named, said this:

> 'Promises, promises. That's Henry Hoakes all over. I've known him for more years than I care to remember. I know what he's like. Hoakes's "Grand Reveal" is no more than, er, a hoax. I bet he just ran off when he finally realised that the world would see him for what he is – a fraud!'

I tried to interview the staff at Hoakes Island, but most were too upset to reply. Bravely, they all kept their animal costumes on and a few tried to stay in character with a series of grunts, growls, squeaks and ook-ooks. However, with Hoakes gone, their future looks very bleak.

COUNCILLOR CLAIMS 'ALIEN INVOLVEMENT'

By Hoddle McBoddle Our Local Government Correspondent

Councillor Brindle McSwindle, Chair of Greenshore District Council's Finance Committee, today claimed that the hole in the council's budget was caused by aliens.

'I was checking the council vaults on Tuesday, to make sure all the money was safe. Suddenly, there was a blinding, bright white light. When I could see again, a giant spider-like thing was rushing out the door with a bag full of notes', said the councillor, speaking from his holiday home in the Caribbean.

Chief Inspector Eric McYurnikt said that, following Councillor McSwindle's statement, police were appealing for an arachnid from Alpha Centauri to come forward and help them with their enquiries.

CUDDLY SHAKESPEARE

Does your pet have what it takes to star in Greenshore Amateur Dramatic Society's innovative new production of *Hamlet*?







43 42 A 14 Participation of the second Henry's study. Well, what an amazing room. So many books and other extraordinary things. The problem is, we can't find the safe. I expect when we find it, it will also lead us to the next page. Have you got any ideas? 3its

3rd July 1929

Journal of Henry Houkes

It is my greatest regret that I can't save every animal in the world. However, at least I can use my great fortune to give some of them a good home. My plan is to build an amusement park on Hoakes Island that will serve as a sanctuary for my friends, but will also give them employment and a sense of purpose.

Rita is the one to lead them - she is not only very clever, she is also terribly good at motivating people.

Of course, there will come a day when I am no longer here. I have made arrangements with my agents on the mainland to keep the animals supplied with food, keep the electricity on, etc. In this way, Granville will not have to wonder where his next banana is coming from, nor will Rita ever fear that she has eaten her last garlic ant.

Speaking of which, I have abandoned the idea of opening an insect sanctuary on Hoakes Island. Rita said all of the right things about it, but leaving an anteater in charge of an ant farm was not wise. She was most sorry afterwards, but not half as sorry as the ants.

Henry's rescued animals were not kept as pets. All of us became his employees and performers at the park. Of course, as far as the public were concerned we were just people dressed up in costumes. The idea that a real gorilla was taking your ticket on the Emotional Rollercoaster would just be too much for some people. Granville is a sweet guy at heart, but doesn't take kindly to people screaming at him.



dressed as animals. Hoakes Is



By Sleazy McGleazy Entertainment Correspondent

In a move that has stunned the entertainment world, Hoakes Island has reopened! A controversial plan to demolish the park and build flats there has been halted by Greenshore Council.

A spokesperson for Hoakes Island, who also claimed to be a genius, issued the following statement: 'With the help of a hero, who wishes to remain anonymous, the long-lost deed of Hoakes Island has been rediscovered! We intend to re-open and run the island by the time Henry returns, and keep it how he wished it to be run – a place of fun for everyone.' In response to reporters' questions, Councillor Arnold Grotflick said: 'Ah, well, yes. The deed. It turned up. Didn't see that one coming. Especially not delivered by a seagull. Umm, Arrow-Ghent? Who? Errr, never heard of him. And who mentioned executive flats? Hoakes Island is the perfect place for an amusement park. Nowhere better. Always said so. Umm, can I go now?'

After being apprehended by the police on Hoakes Island, Oliver Arrow-Ghent has been convicted of trespass and false imprisonment. His sentence will be served on Hoakes Island, where he will undertake 1800 hours of community service. Dressed in a poodle costume. Thank you, thank you, thank you We would never have found the deed without you! If we had failed, Hoakes Island would be in ruins by now, and all of us would be in the hands of the villain!

After this adventure, there will be so much to add to my memoirs. I will send you a signed copy once they are published

Vortoise Telegrama

My dear friends! I am sure that this telegram will come as quite a shock to you. Since the SS Lookout! sank I have been stranded on a remote island with only a group of grumpy penguins for company. Last week I finally managed to attract the attention of a passing ship and was rescued. The sailors happened to have a copy of the Greenshore Gazette and showed me the story about Hoakes Island. It sounds as if you have had quite an adventure. I will be home soon and look forward to hearing all about it.

Lots of love,

Henry

P.S. Did you ever find the Grand Reveal? It would be a terrible shame if we didn't retrieve it; it was the last one left in the world. Go back and check all over the island - it's very good at hiding!

> The park is reopening, and, best of all, Henry has been found alive and is coming back! He's still being mysterious about the Grand Reveal, though. I wonder what it is?





Now we have all four keys and symbols! Let's hear it for Plan Rita!! This clue should take us to Hoakes House and the deed.

But which direction should we take? The numbers look like gibberish. Maybe they're linked to the clocks?