

COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION

ISLE OF MAN BRANCH

EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

JUNIOR TYNWALD

The Isle of Man Branch annually holds a Junior Tynwald to which pupils of all the Island's Senior Schools are invited through the Department of Education. The normal format for the programme is

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- 12.00 noon Students arrive at the Keys Lobby to be met by Members of Tynwald, followed by a brief tour of the Chambers and a briefing on the procedure for the debate in the Tynwald Chamber.
- 1.00 pm A sandwich lunch in the Millennium Conference Room.
- 1.45 pm Question Time
- 2.30 pm Debate on motions
- 3.00 pm Conclusion of the debate

At the Junior sitting at which the President of Tynwald usually presides, students submit questions which are answered by the relevant Minister or Member, and two motions are debated and voted upon.

SCHOOLS VISITS

Pupils from the Junior Schools are encouraged to undertake a tour of the Chambers and to be present in the Public Gallery for part of a sitting. The travel expenses for such tours are paid for by the Branch,

VISITS TO SCHOOLS

Members of Tynwald are always happy to attend schools to discuss the work of Tynwald and the branches. Schools should contact their local Member of Tynwald or contact the Isle of Man Branch of the CPA.

COMMONWEALTH DAY

On Commonwealth Day (the second Monday in March) young people from throughout the Commonwealth are invited to visit London to participate in the celebrations and attend a special service in Westminster Abbey. The Isle of Man Branch nominates two students from the Island who are studying in the UK at the time to attend the celebrations and, if the nominations are successful, pays their travelling expenses to enable them to attend.