

# World

## *IF ONLY WE COULD TURN BACK TIME*



This week's old picture of Durban for our weekly feature is from a postcard of Florida Road which was sent in by Trevor Hodgson and shows the tramlines and a tram in Florida Road. According to Allan Jackson's Facts about Durban website, the first municipal tramline in South Africa was laid in Florida Road and first used in 1892 with horses providing the power. The Durban Municipality

bought the Durban Borough Tramways Company for £114 000 in August 1899 and electric trams were introduced in 1902. Old Faithful, the last electric tram (no. 7015), was still running in Durban in 1949. Our photographer, Gcina Ndwane, went back to the same spot to get the current picture and show how the scene has changed.



The Independent on Saturday is making a special appeal to readers who have old pictures from elsewhere in the province, as well as those of Durban, to please send them in to us for consideration. If any of our readers are featured in the old picture, we will do our best to recreate the scene with them in it again.

Readers sending in pictures digitally can address them, with the relevant information, to [satmail@inl.co.za](mailto:satmail@inl.co.za). Pictures should preferably be about 1MB. If the pictures are in hard copy format, they can be posted, with all the relevant information, to The Editor, Old Pictures, The Independent on Saturday PO Box 47549, Greyville, 4023.