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British money switched from £sd (Pounds ,Shillings and Pence) to Pounds and Pence on 15th February 1971. The switch meant 100 pennies made £1; Britain decimalised their currency to keep in step with the rest of the world and it made international currency transactions much easier.

Due to the ravages of inflation $\pounds100$ on 15^{th} February 1971 is estimated to be equal to about $\pounds1,340$ today. It's a massive increase, or rather, devaluation; the regular reports from the Statistics Office about inflation being 4%, 5% or 3% compared with twelve months previously mount up to enormous sums over half a century.

Just over 13 years after Britain switched from Pounds, Shillings and Pence to Pounds and Pence the halfpenny was taken out of circulation because it was a very small coin which was difficult to handle and because it had become next to worthless. That was in December 1984, now, 35 years later it is considered by some people the 1p and 2p coin should go the same way as the halfpenny.



A Ten Shilling Note, now it's a 50p coin. In its day ten shillings would pay for a good night out for two with enough change for a taxi home and a tip for the child-minder

Money buys more than 100 times **less** than it did just 50 years ago. A two pence coin now is worth less than half what the halfpenny coin was worth at the time it was taken out of circulation. It is time to say goodbye to the 2p coin? And the 1p coin as well? These coins cost much more to make than they are worth. You need loads of 1p and 2p coins to buy even the cheapest things. At one time prices were priced at, say, £5.99 instead of £6 to make them appear cheaper; no-one seems to bother doing that any more. One reason for that probably is because shopkeepers do not want heavy bags full of copper coins to count out and take to the Bank for them to be counted again. It's now a waste of time and money. Nor do they want to have lots of almost worthless copper coin in the cash tills so change can be given for items priced at £5.99 or any number of Pounds plus 99p.

Are copper coins more trouble than they are worth? After all, they are not worth much at all. Would we be happier if copper coins were not bulging in the purse or weighing down the pockets? Is it OK for shop prices to be charged to the nearest 5p instead of the nearest 1p? Should 1p and 2p coins be taken out of circulation or should we keep them?

Who benefits if the government saves money This year's government spending is budgeted at £46.1million,

that's almost £10,000 for every man, woman and child resident in St Helena. The spending involves administering and trying to improve services in health, education, airport, waste collections and waste management, police, prison and immigration, agriculture, vets, social benefits and government employee pensions, public transport, postal services and much more. Some may say £10,000 per person to pay for all of that is only to be expected. Others will argue that in among the £46.1million in spending money there must be some savings to be made.

The St Helena Fisheries Corporation is expected to cost \pounds 350,000 to keep it operating in the year to end of March 2020. The St Helena Hotel Development Ltd is a company which is expected to need a further \pounds 200,000 this year to keep it afloat. Connect St Helena are receiving a \pounds 703,000 subsidy this year and something called Education Broadband has a \pounds 401,000 spend against its name.

Selling the Fisheries Corporation could save most or all of the £350,000 it costs now. Winding up St Helena Hotel Development Ltd would save a possible £200,000 this year and more in following years – that is over half a million already. If the renewable energy project gets up and running will the £703,000 for Connect become a thing of the past? If the fibre-optic cable connection becomes a reality the £401,000 spend on Education Broadband should at least reduce. Over £1 million could be cut from government spending if existing plans are brought to completion or, in the case of St Helena Hotel Development Ltd, difficult decisions are made. That's a reduction of more than 2% in government spending and other opportunities to cut government spending or increase government revenue without raising taxes are waiting to receive attention.

That all sounds very good; let's get on and get some results so the spending can be reduced. The problem is 69p in every £1 spent by the government comes from the UK, not local taxes, duties, fees and charges. If say, £1.2million was cut from government spending would DFID get the lion's share (about £830,000) leaving local taxpayers with the benefit of about £370,000 in reduced tax and duty? Maybe DFID would want all the savings. They can easily take what they want just by reducing the amount given to St Helena in Grant-in-Aid by whatever amount they wish. Is there an agreement in place between DFID and SHG to cover this situation? Without an agreement which allows spending reductions to

Without an agreement which allows spending reductions to significantly benefit St Helenians living in St Helena there is little or no political incentive for councillors to bring the possible savings to the top of the political agenda. This issue is



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more important than it may appear at first sight. Over the years DFID have been pushing SHG to increase locally raised government revenue so the funding for government expenditure switches from the current 69% DFID and 31% SHG to something much nearer 40% DFID and 60% raised locally through taxes, duties and the rest.

In his first budget speech as Financial Secretary in May 2017 Dax Richards listed some new taxes which were to be considered as part of the aim to broaden the tax base. Land Tax, Property or Empty Property Tax, Inheritance Tax, Infrastructure Levy and a broadening of Service Tax were the options listed in his speech. The Empty Property tax is now with us. In his first radio interview at Saint FM Governor Rushbrook also mentioned broadening the tax base as a priority for consideration.

Should finding extra ways to raise local taxation go hand-inhand with finding ways to reduce government expenditure? If government expenditure is reduced should St Helena get all the benefit or should it be shared with DFID? Can SHG guarantee reduced expenditure will result either in reduced taxation or extra expenditure on basic services such as health, education and social welfare? Does SHG have a formal and viable agreement with DFID which is the basis for such a guarantee? When SHG want to publicly discuss broadening the tax base should they also talk about reducing government expenditure? When taxes get too high it can lead to low wages, high prices, unemployment and/or economic recession instead of economic development.

When money is involved the discussion points are almost endless - but we need to talk.

PASSING OF MATTHEW YOUNG

St Helena Government (SHG) notes with sadness the passing of Matthew (Matt) Young. We wish to extend our sincere condolences to his wife Sheila and family at this time.

Matt served as Financial Secretary on St Helena from 1996 to 2000 and returned as Acting/Locum Financial Secretary several times during 2003 and 2004. Matt will be more recently known as serving as Director of St Helena Line from

2000, later taking on the Chairman role and was in the midst of winding up St Helena Line through the liquidation process before he passed away.

Matt's last visit to St Helena was on the final voyage of the RMS St Helena in 2018.

Matt's association with St Helena has spanned many years. His services to the Island have been very much appre-

ciated and it is with deep regret that we acknowledge the loss of someone who has been a true friend and ambassador for the Island. SHG, 30 May 2019

ExCo, 29 May 2019

EXCO REPORT -**TUESDAY 28 MAY 2019**

Governor Rushbrook presided over his first meeting of Executive Council yesterday, Tuesday 28 May 2019. There were three memoranda to consider; the first sought approval of the Medical, Dentistry and Pharmacy (Amendment) Regulations (2019), the second sought approval to implement the draft Building Regulations (2019) under the Building Control Ordinance 2013 and the third asked Council to consider and advise whether the Haul Road should be adopted as a part of St Helena Government's roads network.

For the first item Members approved the amended Regulations noting that they were necessary to support the recently amended Medical Practitioners Ordinance and that they would provide assurance to the public that the health practitioners on St Helena are suitably qualified for their roles and that optimal healthcare is being provided on the Island.

In discussing the draft Building Regulations, Members noted that the revisions filled gaps that are present in the current regulations. They will allow regulation of construction methods other than the traditional block work, and are designed to improve the overall quality of buildings on the Island. The Regulations include for example, sections on the regulation of Septic Tanks and Glass Safety, and are clearer and written in a more user friendly style. The new Regulations also propose increases to the fees charged for the provision of services. Members were content to approve the new fees, noting that they will help to partially offset the cost of operating the Building Control Service, it was also noted that these were the first increases since April 2013. Members asked for the fees to be revisited on an annual basis to ensure that they were not creating undue hardship, particularly for first time home builders. Members were content to approve the revised Regulations, subject to some minor amendments. They also reguested that the Infrastructure & Transport Directorate should ensure that there is ample publicity given to explain the benefits of the changes including advising the public on what they can expect from the new Regulations.

The final item on the agenda related to the adoption of the new Haul Road. Members felt that this was long overdue and that the opening of the Haul Road would bring a number of benefits to the Island including better, alternative access between Jamestown, Rupert's and Longwood and would go a considerable way to reduce the volume of traffic that currently pass through Longwood to access the Airport and make these areas safer for the public. Members gave approval for the road to be adopted subject to appropriate regulations and signage being in place regarding speed limits, and asked that a road safety campaign is launched, to encourage responsible driving on the Haul Road. It was agreed that the road would be opened from noon on Friday, 7 June 2019, and details of the opening, including the naming of the various sections of the road will be publicised in advance.

It was noted that there was only limited publicity given to the advertising of this meeting, and Members asked for this to be addressed in line with their commitment to openness and transparency.





I was chatting with a friend while we waited for a third person to show up for a meeting about tourism in St Helena and economic development in general. Discussion turned to the unwelcome but familiar topic of more tourists needed to kickstart any form of economic growth. We agreed, I think, that in several areas we now have an over-supply of services to meet the small demand we have at the moment for them.

For example, in tourism there are six destination management companies (DMCs) shown on the ESH Tourism website. DMCs will organise anything and everything for anyone wanting to visit St Helena. This includes travel, accommodation, taxis, tours, where to eat, where to go and even who to see. In addition two on-line booking agencies are also shown. DMCs are willing to make the travel arrangements if required so that makes eight businesses competing for the visitors who come here. On top of that there are two more under the category of Ground Handlers. What they do is very much the same as DMCs and they will make bookings as required. The person I chatted with the other day is involved with providing these services to visitors but with too many bees buzzing around a small drop of nectar it just is not possible to make a living from it. I feel sure this person will soon be finding greener pastures on another island.

Similar experiences are endured by accommodation providers and bar/ restaurant venues. I recall Enterprise St Helena was very much involved with raising interest among willing entrepreneurs to form destination management companies and on-line booking agencies. This effort from ESH was needed and their efforts have been effective. However, it is not possible to avoid wondering if ESH gave information on how many bookings they estimated it is necessary to make in order for the business to be financially viable. With something like 1,000 'genuine tourists' arriving over a twelve month period at the moment simple arithmetic suggests DMCs and similar businesses can expect to see on average two people a week. That will not put butter on the bread. Should ESH be discouraging people from getting involved in certain types of business when the figures show that life will be very tough if someone decides to put their money into a desperately difficult trading area? Similar stories emerge frequently from accommodation providers; once again there are now too many competing for a share of the small number of customers. Should ESH slacken off with some of its activities until the numbers show definite signs of a rising trend?

From what is written about St Helena in overseas travel publications I get a distinct impression that Jonathon and the whale sharks are now promoted as the main attractions more than Napoléon. The Emperor will never fade away of course but it's good to see he does have some competition. On the subject of Whale Sharks, AI Dove of the Georgia Aquarium emailed me as I write this to say the tags attached to whale sharks in St Helena waters in January have detached early from the whales sharks and not provided much information about where they go, what they do and why. The tags are designed to detach if the whale shark dives too deep – the increased pressure would destroy the tags and the information they have stored within them. The only tags left are the ones specifically designed to survive the pressures of the deep. There are not many of them and they are a new type which have not been tried and tested very much. The new tags for the deep have not surfaced yet which suggests they are still attached to the whale sharks and recording their movements. If all goes well the deep diving tags will release, come to the surface and transmit the information stored in them in a few

weeks time. As a result, some of the whale shark's many secrets may be revealed. Al Dove is at the 5th Whale Shark Conference in Exmouth, Western Australia at the moment. He says there are 130 scientists from 21 countries attending and discussing whale shark biology, conservation and tourism management. He also said Kenickie Andrews' poster presentation was well



If the 6th International Whale (Bone) Shark Conference is in St Helena there is a job for the St Helena Distillery in the schedule of events. *Enjoy your weekend Vince*

Your Opinion Counts

Dear Editor,

Mention was made in a recent letter about how difficult life was like for Island people for decades and their resilience.

It has led to people having to be resourceful, which is a core part of island culture. People and their culture are central to what makes St Helena an attractive tourist destination. One expression of island culture is in the buildings, in the built heritage, especially in family homes. Extracts from an article in *Speaking Saint* 2 published by Creative St Helena more than three years ago, show how we need to safeguard that heritage and culture.

Creativity can express itself in many forms: in painting, writing, music, sculpture to name some. On St Helena one of the main expressions of creativity is in its buildings, in forts, public buildings, fine houses and especially in the houses built over the centuries for family homes.

The painter has the materials of a blank canvas, brushes and paints to create a picture, the writer's materials a blank sheet of paper and a pen, the composer a sheet of paper to write music. On St Helena a family has a plot of land on which to build a house using whatever materials are at hand, their own skills and the skills of the community. As an island, in its isolation, creativity means maximizing the use of local materials and skills that were learnt, developed and got passed on from generation to generation.

It is a collective, resourceful creativity, evolving over the centuries since the time of settlement in the 1600's. It involves individuals, families and members of the community, becoming the key component of island culture, of people who "think with their hands". It is not only in family homes that the creative skills of Islanders can be seen. Islanders were also involved in building fortifications and public buildings. This creative energy can be seen in the Jamestown Community Centre completed in 1825, one of the finest buildings on the island exhibiting the highest level of stone masonry and carpentry. Records show that it was built "by free men of colour".

The creative energy directed to building family homes is embedded in Island folklore: the story of a father who trimmed and carried home a single piece of stone each day after work and another family that carried stone a long distance, naming their house "Carry Stone Cottage"

The potter needs clay to create and transform it into various objects, often domestic like cups, plates, jars. If the cost of the clay is too expensive the potter will not be able to create his own wares. He will have to import or rely on a handout, will become dependent. Are we, inadvertently, creating an environment for dependence?

The culture of building family homes also has a social dimension in strengthening family and community cohesion. In the various changes and reforms currently taking place are we still providing the environment to allow this energy to creatively express itself or will the systems being introduced for the island to be part of the global village trap that creative energy? How will it then express itself: escape or destruct internally and externally?

St Helena with a population of 4,500 would be a village in a developed country yet it has to deliver all the services of a national government. It never inherited a self-sustaining economy. Are introduced systems on St Helena addressing these circumstances or are they, collectively, causing a divide in our community where people are feeling marginalised, trapped, expressing itself in worrying signs, Islanders leaving being just one?

Regards Basil George

THE CONSTITUENT

Elected representatives have an obligation to challenge deliberate misleading statements or inadvertent half-truths that are fed to the people of St Helena by St Helena Government officials.

In her final official address to the people of St Helena, Governor Lisa Honan said: "Apart from a few exceptions, it is your Elected Members who take the decisions." Having served on Legislative Council for just on two years, I can categorically say that statement is not altogether correct. There have been clear examples of the serious governing limitations placed on the people's twelve elected representatives. All twelve elected representatives have the very best interests of the people of St Helena at heart, but factors affecting the decisions made include DFID's agenda, the Governor's agenda and the SHG officers' agenda. Indeed, the challenges that St Helena is currently facing are a result of historical blunders caused by those conflicting agendas. Consequently the island's morale has been undermined and dragged down by the social and economic decline. Most of the last three years, in particular, has been unimaginably difficult for many within our community who are struggling to make ends meet.

Immediately following the last general election it became blatantly clear that DFID and SHG officers were pursuing their agendas whilst all twelve elected representatives were not fully engaged and not fully informed. Regardless, each one of the people's elected representatives is held accountable. St Helena is heavily reliant on financial aid from the United Kingdom and the UK government insists the island must work towards being self-sufficient. Yet the island was forced by DFID to work with roll over budgeting for two years and has been deprived of capital funding for the last three years. Elected Members have no control over such decision making that is fundamental to progress. The reality is that it is not entirely up to all twelve elected members to make the decisions that we believe are in the best interests of the island and its future development. The fact is as many as seven elected representatives are not even an integral part of the St Helena Government, and SHG officers have felt the need to remind us of that.

This is what I wrote:

Dear Governor and Chief Secretary,

Once again I feel it is necessary to make you aware of the importance of ensuring that all twelve Elected Members are fully involved in discussions and negotiations with DFID officials on financial aid from the United Kingdom. The Electorate would expect all twelve of their elected representatives to be fully involved and fully informed with matters relating to UK financial aid as such meetings are critical to the future development of the island for which all twelve councillors have a responsibility. Each

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We came, we talked and we conquered

The 5th International Whale Shark Conference ends today. It is being held at Exmouth on the Ningaloo Coast of Western Australia. It has proved to be a popular and well attended conference with further events added for today – the last day – in response to demand.

The Conference started on Tuesday this week with the St Helena National Trust and the Blue Marine Foundation participating in an evening poster session. Beth Taylor, Head of the SHNT Marine Section and Kenickie Andrews, the Whale Shark Project Manager in Beth's team attended the session to fly the flag for St Helena.



Beth Taylor at the table answering questions and Kenickie Andrews at the wall poster doing the same.

Kenickie reported, "So proud of what we have accomplished today and our new friends all wanting to visit our wonderful island home. We came, we talked and we conquered." It was clear that St Helena and our whale sharks are still not known to a great many people and when they find out they know straightaway there is something very different to be experience here.



Before the three day conference there was a three day whale shark festival which is an annual event. Over the course of the six days there was a wide range of activities and events. Ground-breaking research is being undertaken this year as whale sharks congregate on the west coast of Australia to feast on the plankton between March and September. Samples of sea water have been collected from the sea around the whale sharks. Dr Brad Norman, head of whale shark research at Ecocean, said Ningaloo's annual congregation of whale sharks meant its waters were like a "whale shark soup" packed with eDNA information. This new method of research was discussed at the Ningaloo conference.

One discussion event was held in a brewery. The Whalebone Brewery hosted a *Professors and Pints* evening where anyone who wanted to talk whale sharks to could speak with the experts and have a pint handy to keep the thirst at bay.

A ghost from the past

More than just a few will remember Kurt de Freitas who plied his legal trade around the warmer Overseas Territories for a few decades. He was Attorney General in St Helena at the turn of the millennium and is famed for his remarkable relationship with the then Governor Hollamby and trying to sue someone, somewhere because the saltwater from a lively swell drenched his car after he parked it at the seafront.



Kurt de Freitas, re-invented as a health consultant

Now back in Anguilla, where he was in the 1980's, de Freitas explained his current job. "I am now doing a consultancy for the Commonwealth Secretariat. I was engaged as a consultant attached to CARICOM to assist member states with legislation to meet the requirements of the WHO Convention on Tobacco Control – to satisfy various aspects of the Convention. I live in Manchester in the United Kingdom normally, but for this assignment, which is for a year, I am based at the CARICOM Secretariat in Georgetown, Guyana." Guyana is Kurt's birthplace.

While describing his previous jobs to a reporter from the *Anguillian* de Freitas started tripping over his tongue. "I came to Anguilla in 1987 and left in 1997 after serving as Attorney General. When I left here I went to St. Helena which basically comprises three islands: St Helena, Ascension Island and Tristan da Cunha. I was based in St. Helena, but as Attorney General I also had responsibility for the other two islands as well. I spent about six years there. My stay there was actually longer than that of Napoleon because I think he died after five years or something like that. Whatever is the number, I think I outlasted Napoleon. I don't know why I should be say-

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ing something like that because St. Helena is a nice island. I hope my comment is not viewed in a derogatory manner to indicate that something is wrong with St. Helena but, as you know, it was where he was sent in exile – and where he died." After a pause Mr. de Freitas continued: "From St. Helena I went to the Cayman Islands where I stayed for just under a year". After the Caymans de Freitas spent a less than glorious six years in the Turks and Caicos Islands at the time when corruption scandals caused the UK to take control of parts of the TCI government.

Brexit and the British Virgin Islands

While most Overseas Territories are concerned about European Union funding disappearing with Brexit and not being replaced in full by Her Majesty's Government the Governor of the British Virgin Islands stated very confidently "a number of benefits the BVI currently receives from its association with the EU will go unchanged when Brexit is finalised." On close inspection this statement does not say much at all. "a number of" is any unspecified number less than all of it. A bit like the St Helena 'couple', any number more than one. "Unchanged when Brexit is finalised" may sound promising but unchanged for how long is the real question.

The BVI governor offered some other shaky promises to the local media about the funding situation and added, "In terms of trade for example, the UK says it's guaranteeing the relationship with the UK for goods ... things around the British Overseas Territory passports and rights to access travelling into Europe stays the same." More vagueness which probably means trade links any Overseas Territory now has with Europe will need to be laboriously renegotiated – if at all possible, and Overseas Territory passports remain very limited.



Augustus Jaspert, Governor of the British Virgin Islands – that's the one on the left.

Another Napoleon Anniversary

We've had the bicentenary of Napoleon's exile to St Helena. The bicentenary of the Emperor's death is coming soon. Another Napoleon anniversary is coming up soon; the 250th anniversary of Napoleon's birth. Born on 15th August 1769 in Ajaccio, Corsica most anniversary events are taking place in Corsica itself and across the rest of France. The Fondation Napoléon appears to say there will be an event or two in St Helena; maybe here it will be a small-scale affair.



Maison Bonaparte in Ajaccio, Corsica – Napoléon's birthplace

Bobbing along beside a fish bigger than a school bus

The Daily Mail printed a St Helena-friendly article last weekend. It's not the first time the Daily Mail/Mail on Sunday has smiled upon St Helena; it's probably the second. It is an exceptionally well written piece of travel writing which is not just better than the usual offerings from the Daily Mail it is also better than most other pieces written about St Helena for the travel sections of newspapers and magazines.

The writer is a freelance journalist; the piece on St Helena is the first by him published on the Daily Mail website. He is Micheal MacEacheran, a man who avoids boring his readers with the usual potted history of St Helena which most other travel writers find impossible to avoid. Instead he starts his article with a fish bigger than a school bus and "my adrenaline levels soar as I eyeball an absolutely gargantuan whale shark through my mask. It's the first time I've ever felt edible." Never getting too serious MacEacheran adds, "Geographically, St Helena is about the size of Jersey and is an island with a split personality. It can't make up its mind if it's British or Brazilian, Creole or Caribbean, with a tablespoon of Iceland thrown in." And "The Island is decidedly run on firstname terms, so you won't find Avis or Hertz – instead car hire comes from Brendan or Jeff."

After explaining the problems because of no cash machines and no credit card facilities he adds, "The Island is chain-free with no fast-food outlets. Online shopping is big. There are little local shops and the odd souvenir outlet, but don't expect to spend a lot of money." Maybe one day Michael MacEacheran will come back to write another story about our retailers who miss too many opportunities to increase their revenue and profit. Other quick-fire observations include, "With zero light pollution, the skies are a feast of huge, twinkling stars" and "Expect spectacular views as you fly in – it's like landing in Jurassic Park."



St Helena's Iron Lady Tammy Williams



Bernice Olsson turned eighty this week and true to her nature of never letting age get you down she was determined to celebrate it with a big bang, after all, you turn eighty once, she decided a very long time ago that life was for living, grabbing every moment and living it to the full but things were not easy and life at the beginning for Bernice was a struggle as at the tender age of three years she contracted polio. After fierce negotiations between her grandfather and the doctor, Bernice was brought home to be cared for by her family she recalls her father massaging her legs with brandy and wrapping them in brown paper.

Somewhere in this sad story is a silver lining, years later as a young nurse Bernice's natural immunity gave her the advantage over others, she was the only nurse allowed to care for others who had contracted the terrible disease, through emotion filled eyes during a radio interview she recalls the tragic death of Mrs Moss who lived in Ruperts leaving her young daughter Rosemary behind.

Bernice describes leaving St Helena at the tender age of 17 years as "Spreading her wings", she started her employment as a Chamber maid in Jersey and quickly decided life in service was not for her before working at the Post office. It was during this time that Bernice was to meet the British naturalist, zookeeper, conservationist, author, and television presenter Gerald Durrell, who invited her to come and work for him, he offered her an extra £5 per week, this was over sixty years ago and as Bernice said "You went where the money was". Most of us will remember his charming best seller; My



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Family and Other Animals, recently having been made into a hit TV series, Bernice's children have in their possession all first editions of his books.

She recalls her first day with Gerald and Jackie Durrell which included breakfast with a Monkey and a scary encounter with a snake in the bathroom, Bernice spent over three wonderful years with the Durrell's and their family of animals before marrying and moving back to the UK.

A decision to return to St Helena over twenty years ago was followed by another decision; which was to run for council, following in the footsteps of her mother, the late Evelyn 'Dover' Thomas who was a fierce activist for the man on the street. Bernice served the community for twenty years as a politician, she has seen the best and worst of times and recalls with a cheeky grin "Being brought up in front of the Speaker a couple of times for opening your mouth too much". Bernice is tiny, she weighs about ninety pounds but let not that diminutive stature deceive you, she could well hold her own and her fights were nearly always about equal recognition for her people.

Nearly fifteen years ago Bernice and her husband Mike set up the island's first independent radio station, it was the voice of the people and has left an enduring legacy, she remembers forgoing Christmas lunch in exchange for toast so that every single request on Christmas day would be played by midnight.

We are still to honour Bernice for her service to the community, for a long time she was a woman in a man's world, after her departure from Council in 2015, there was no grand ceremony, no award, not an MBE or OBE however there is still time to change this, I hope we do, happy birthday Bernice.







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For more information about vacancies, please contact:

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Please note: with effect from 1 June 2019, the Safeguarding Directorate will become the Children & Adults Social Care Directorate





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Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons with an interest in Human Rights to fill the post of Executive Manager in the Equality and Human Rights Commission's office in Jamestown.

A detailed job description is available on request but the main duties of the post will require the successful candidate to provide support for the CEO and deputise in her absence. Duties of the post include the following:

- Assisting the CEO with the effective execution of the core work of the Commission, namely promotion and protect Equality, Diversity & Human Rights, research and human rights advocacy.
- Deliver, monitor and review the Strategic plan and the annual budget and audit rounds.
- Develop and maintain office policies and procedures, filing and IT systems.
- Assist as appropriate, the public, Commissioners and CEO with information, advice, etc.
- Monitor laws that affect Human Rights.
- Undertake and coordinate inquiries and investigations.
- Develop and maintain accurate data and provide information to CEO and Commissioners as and when required.
- Assisting the CEO in developing and delivering programs for generating training, learning and developmental materials and methodologies to implement human rights approaches.
- Supervise staff.

Applicants must have at least 7 years senior management experience, GCSE English and Maths in grade C or above and computer literate in Word/Excel/Outlook/PowerPoint. Accounting and budget preparation experience would be an advantage.

For further details regarding the position, interested persons should contact Catherine Turner, CEO on telephone number 22133 or email <u>catherine@humanrightssthelena.org</u>

To apply please submit your CV in person or by email to <u>catherine@humanrightssthelena.org</u> by no later than Friday 14th June 2019.





Bertrand's Cottage Limited is seeking to employ a suitable and experienced individual to fill the role of Operations Assistant.

The successful person will be responsible for supporting the Operations Supervisor in the day-to-day operations of the cottage.

A copy of the Terms of Reference and an application form can be collected from Enterprise St Helena reception and formal applications should be submitted to the Human Resources and Administration Assistant at Enterprise St Helena, Ladder Hill by no later than Friday 7th June 2019 at 12 noon.

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Enterprise St Helena (ESH) is updating its register of persons who are interested in serving on its Board of Directors or its Subcommittees (Tourism, Business Development and Investment and Finance, Governance and Audit), should a vacancy arise.

The function of the Board, is to promote and facilitate economic development on St Helena in line with the Island's Sustainable Economic Development Plan (SEDP), with input from and liaison with its Subcommittees.

A copy of the Terms of Reference for Board and individual Subcommittees, together with a form to register an interest can be requested via email: natasha.bargo@esh.co.sh or collected from the ESH Office, Ladder Hill Business Park. It should be noted that registering an interest does not guarantee an appointment to Board or a Subcommittee as this is subject to requirements and person's knowledge, skills and experience.

Expressions of Interest must be made using the form available from ESH and should be submitted, along with a current Curriculum Vitae to the Board Secretary by Wednesday 05 June 2019.



For further information please contact the Board Secretary on telephone No. 22920 or email: natasha.bargo@esh.co.sh

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Encompass Digital Media Services Ltd BBC Atlantic Relay Station English Bay Ascension Island, ASCN 1ZZ South Atlantic Ocean

Vacancy for Communications Engineer/Technician - Transmitting Station

Encompass Digital Media Services has a vacancy for a full-time **Communications Engineer** at the BBC Atlantic Relay Station on Ascension Island.

The post holder will form part of the team that is primarily responsible for transmitting programmes for the BBC and other customers.

Duties will include maintenance and fault-finding on the transmitters and associated equipment.

This post will be offered either on a single or accompanied status contract, depending on personal circumstance, and with bungalow accommodation.

Any offer of employment will be conditional on passing a medical examination.

Qualifications & Experience

Required:-

- Engineer qualified to BTEC National Certificate Level or equivalent in a relevant subject
- Comprehensive knowledge of safe working practices and safety procedures
- Able to demonstrate standard knowledge of HF propagation and transmission, Electronic, Electrical, Data, RF and Power Engineering
- Ability to analyse technical problems and undertake standard fault finding
- Workshop skills including hand and power tools
- Ability to communicate well, both verbally and in writing with both internal and external customers
- Ability to maintain accurate technical and administrative records
- Strong self-motivation and ability to work with minimum supervision
- Driving licence
- IT Competent
- Ability and willingness to work flexible hours and be available for call-outs and faults outside of normal working hours.

Desirable Qualifications/Experience

- Consistent & developed practical experience of a transmitter station's operation and maintenance work
- Experience of antenna systems
- HV Authorisation

Further Qualifications/Experience requirements are detailed in the job description.

Please contact the Administrative Officer on +247 66800 (Extn 102) or email <u>Glen.Yon@babcock.co.ac</u>, for a **Job Application Form**, **Job Description** and for further information regarding the post.

Applications to be sent to:

Administrative Officer BBC Atlantic Relay Station English Bay Ascension Island (or email <u>Glen.Yon@babcock.co.ac</u>)

or Fax direct to : +247 66117

Closing date for applications for this post has now been extended to **Friday 7th June 2019** and should be submitted on our job application form.

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Bank of St Helena Ltd would like to remind all Commercial Lending Clients, who have not yet done so, that you are required to submit a copy of your End of Year Accounts, for the financial year 2018-2019, by no later than 30 June 2019. This should include a minimum of:

- Income & Expenditure Accounts/ Trading, Profit & Loss Accounts
- **Balance Sheet**
- **Depreciation Schedule**

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In addition, Commercial and Personal Lending Clients, who have loans secured on assets such as property, vehicles, plant or machinery, are reminded to submit a copy of your updated Insurance receipts.

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We are looking for a Healthcare Assistant to join the Hospital Department (Salary £9,600 per annum)

The Ascension Island Government is currently looking for a Healthcare Assistant to join our Hospital team. This role offers a unique opportunity for personal development and further training, an excellent opportunity for someone who is willing to learn and work as part of a diverse and adaptable team. The Healthcare Assistants are responsible for maintaining cleanliness, taking x-rays, and emergency first response as an ambulance driver. Training will be provided to the successful applicant to enable them to carry out these duties. Your main duty will be to maintain the cleanliness of the hospital and therefore you must be willing to roll up your sleeves and use liberal amounts of elbow grease. You must be resilient and adaptable, willing to support all hospital activities. The Ascension Island Government and Hospital team will be support and train you in order for you to gain the skills required to succeed in this role, you just need to bring the positive attitude.

We are offering a two year, single status, contract with a salary of £9,600 per year (taxable in Ascension). You will also receive the following benefits:

- 37.5 hour working week; with provision for weekly stand-by duties on a rota basis.
- Rent free accommodation (with electricity and water allowances)
- A food allowance of £3,089
- Relocation package
- One mid-contract return journey to the country of recruitment/residence
- A gratuity payable on the successful completion of a 2 year contract
- 30 days annual holiday (with additional 9 days public holidays)

This appointment will be subject to satisfactory:

- Employment references
- Enhanced criminal records check
- Medical Clearance (Ascension Island has limited Medical Facilities. If you believe that you have a medical condition that may be difficult to treat here please contact our Senior Medical Officer for a confidential discussion at <u>smo.hospital@ascension.gov.ac</u>)

We are looking for the successful applicant to start as soon as possible. Please note this is an unaccompanied position and therefore the successful applicant will not be entitled to bring any dependents with them to Ascension.

Closing Date: 14 June 2019

Interviews will be carried out via Skype or teleconference

For more information (including detailed job description) and to apply visit: <u>www.ascension-island.gov.ac/working-here/</u>or email: <u>recruitment@ascension.gov.ac</u>

VACANCY FOR A TEACHING ASSISTANT

The Education & Employment Directorate is seeking to employ a suitable person who enjoys working with young people to join a committed team of teachers within the Secondary Sector of the Directorate. Applicants must have GCSEs in English and Maths at Grade C or above or equivalent qualification. Recent and relevant work experience would be desirable. The ideal candidate must be self-motivated, have good interper-

relevant work experience would be desirable. The ideal candidate must be self-motivated, have sonal skills and a sense of humour.

The successful candidate will be expected to provide assistance to the class teacher by supporting teaching and learning in the school/classroom environment. Plan and prepare programmes of work under the direction of the class teacher to cater for the learning needs of groups of pupils and or individuals.

Salary payable will be from Grades TA1- TA2, ranging from £7,226 to £7,562 per annum.

For further details regarding this post, interested persons should contact Mrs Penelope Bowers, Headteacher, Prince Andrew School, on telephone number 24290 or e-mail penelope.bowers@princeandrew.edu.sh

Application forms which are available from Education & Employment Directorate and Corporate Human Resources should be completed and submitted, through Directors where applicable, to the Acting Administration Officer at the Education Learning Centre or e-mail santana.fowler@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than 4pm, on Monday 3 June 2019.

SHG positively accepts applications from all members of the community regardless of race, gender, disability, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief, and will consider all applications on the basis of merit, in accordance with the person specification. All disabled applicants meeting the minimum criteria listed in the job profile will be guaranteed an interview.



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Mrs. Wendy Benjamin Director of Education & Employment, 20 May 2019

VACANCY FOR A BUSINESS SUPPORT MANAGER, CORPORATE FINANCE

An opportunity has become available for a Business Support Manager within Corporate Finance. The post holder will be responsible for the day to day efficient operations of the Business Support Unit delivering a customer focused service and supporting Corporate Finance in meeting its statutory responsibilities.

Applicants should have the following qualifications and experience:

- ACCA Diploma in Accounting and Business (RFQ Level 4)
- 3 years working in an Accountancy, Finance or Business Support Role
- · 2 years management experience

Salary for this post ranges from £11,034 - £18,114 per annum depending on qualifications and experience.

Corporate Finance provides an environment for professional development in the field of finance and accountancy. The salary range for this position reflects the pathways designed to reward professional development and technical competence. For further details about the post, interested persons should contact Nicholas Yon, Deputy Financial Secretary on telephone number 22470 or e-mail: nicholas.yon@sainthelena.gov.sh.

Application forms can be obtained from Corporate Human Resources and Corporate Finance and should be submitted through Directors, where applicable, to Tina Sim, Corporate Human Resources, The Castle or e-mail tina.sim@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than Friday, 7 June 2019.

All appointments are subject to the successful candidate providing satisfactory clearances, including a medical check and vetting/DBS clearance. SHG reserves the right to have information provided on the application form independently verified.

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HEALTH DIRECTORATE VACANCY FOR TRAINEE DENTAL NURSE

The Health Directorate has a vacancy for a Trainee Dental Nurse. The Trainee Dental Nurse will work closely with clinicians to assist in providing care for patients and provide appropriate support and administrative assistance.

Some of the key duties of the post are:

- Assist clinicians with the triage of patients to make optimum use of clinical time and patient treatment, organises day-to-day tasks and activities, including maintaining the appointment book, to make optimum use of clinical time and patient treatment.

- Assist with sets-up/closes down the surgery for treatments planned before the start of, and at the end of each session to high standards and in accordance with set protocols.

- Assists the dental operator with patient care including monitoring, aspiration, mixing materials and passing instrument to the clinician during procedures. This requires the manipulation of fine instruments and materials.

- Carry out reception duties, managing the Appointment system, calculating charges for dental treatments and taking payments from patients, filing, researching patients' notes, and sending and receiving e-mails/faxes

- Assist clinicians through on-the-job training to promote oral health and preventative dental care within the Dental Clinic.

The salary for the post is at the training grade, Grade B8 commencing at £7899 per annum. The successful candidate should GCSE Mathematics, English and one other science related subject at Grade C and above or equivalent

He/she should have experience in administration including customer service and cash handling. Have excellent organisational skills, be Computer literate and be able to maintain patient confidentiality.

Interested persons requiring further details regarding this post can contact Mr Simon Smith, Lead Dentist on telephone no 22500 or email simon.smith@sainthelena.gov.sh Application forms and a job profile, which are available from the Health Directorate should be completed and submitted through Directors where applicable to Miss Madonna Henry, Human Resources Officer, Health Directorate on telephone no 22500 or email madonna.henry@sainthelena.gov.sh by 4pm on Thursday 13 June 2019.

All appointees are subject to the successful candidate providing satisfactory clearances, including a medical check and vetting/DBS clearance. SHG reserves the right to have information provided on the application form independently verified.

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Helen Lawrence Acting Director of Health 28 May 2019



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EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR AN AGRICULTURAL TUTOR

The Education & Employment Directorate is seeking interest from those interested in offering a Contract for Service as an Agricultural Tutor for the St Helena Community College.

Some of the tasks will include:

- Responsible for planning of programmes
- Provide instruction for learns
 - Supervision of all participants involved in programmes

Hours of work will be dependent on the courses and the rate of pay is £6.19 per hour and will be paid on a weekly/monthly basis.

For further information please contact Mrs Angela Benjamin, Assistant Director, Lifelong Learning, at the Education Directorate on Telephone No. 22607 or email angela.benjamin@sainthelena.gov.sh

Expressions of interest should be submitted, to Santana Fowler, Education Learning Centre on e-mail Santana.fowler@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than 4pm on Tuesday, 11 June 2019.

All appointments are subject to the successful candidate providing satisfactory clearances, including a medical check and vetting/DBS clearance. SHG reserves the right to have information provided on the application form independently verified.

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28 May 2019





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one of the twelve elected members will be required, at some stage, to formally accept and work with the financial aid provided by the United Kingdom. It is therefore of paramount importance that all twelve elected representatives are properly involved in each step of the process and thereby be fully informed. With respect, it is short-sighted of SHG officials to exclude seven elected representatives from any of the discussions and negotiations with DFID officials on financial aid matters. There is also the possibility that some of the seven members of LegCo, who are being excluded from crucial aid discussions, may well be serving on ExCo over the next few years.

I cannot understand the thinking behind the decisions that are taken by SHG officers to exclude seven elected representatives from crucial financial aid discussions and negotiations with DFID officials, when it is in the best interests of the people of St Helena to include all twelve. According to the programme, for the DFID VISIT 17 – 24 November 2018, on Tuesday 20th only the five ExCo Elected Members have been selected to meet with the DFID visiting team and take part in a teleconference with other DFID Advisors. It is of paramount importance that DFID and SHG officials work with all elected representatives in the very best interests of the people of St Helena. To do otherwise has proved detrimental in the past, therefore such a negative approach must not be allowed to continue in any form.

An administrative system that allows SHG officials decide, at will, that seven elected representatives cannot attend important financial aid discussions and negotiations with DFID officials must be questioned and addressed. As far as members of the electorate are concerned, the buck stops with each one of their Councillors, the island holds their Councillors fully responsible and accountable for good governance. Therefore all elected representatives must be fully informed on Council business.

With reference to all of the above concerns, I would appreciate if you will provide the necessary feedback and the reasons for the decisions in question. Accordingly, please will you kindly agree to attend the next informal LegCo meeting.

Thank you Kind regards Cyril

The statement "Apart from a few exceptions, it is your Elected Members who take the decisions" from the former Governor to the people of St Helena is rather misleading. First consideration must be given to the impact of the constraints and conditions attached by DFID to the financial aid packages received by St Helena from the United Kingdom. Then there is the negotiation and decision making process between DFID and SHG on financial aid. Let me give you an example: As recently as February 2019, a meeting was arranged for the Team leader of DFID, Alisdair Wardhaugh, to inform SHG on the recommendations he was prepared to carry back to the DFID Minister, Lord Bates. On conclusion of the discussions that took place during that meeting between the Governor, DFID officials, SHG officers and ExCo, the remaining seven elected representatives were then called into the Council Chamber.

Concerns on such disjointed working at Council level were conveyed to DFID. In March 2019 John Gordon (Head of DFID Overseas Territories) and Will Gelling (Head of Caribbean and Southern Oceans Department) visited St Helena and gave a wash up address at an informal Legislative Council meeting. The Head of Overseas Territories encouraged a "new spirit" of partnership working between DFID and all Elected Members, and saw the need to inform SHG officers present that he wants to see "more political".

SHG officers have agreed to work with all elected representative to address the flaws and gaps in the communication and joint working processes for progress in the best interests of the island.

With the recent top leadership change at the Castle, the long-term financial aid commitments from the UK government, the new spirit of partnership between DFID and all Elected Members and the game changing development coming to St Helena – the island as a whole has another opportunity to take ownership of our destiny.

Let us not allow history repeat itself in St Helena.

Thank you Cyril Leo MLC

CONTRACT FOR SERVICES IN THE EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT DIRECTORATE

The Education and Employment Directorate is urgently seeking interest from persons who are able to offer contractual services as a Temporary Teaching Assistant within the Primary sector. This contract for services is being advertised locally. The rate payable will be at £5.16 per hour.

Applicants should ideally have GCSEs in English and Maths at Grade C or above or equaivalent qualification. Recent and relevant work experience would be desirable. The ideal candidate must be self-motivated, have good interpersonal skills and a sense of humor.

For further details and a list of duties, interested persons can contact Mrs Patricia Williams, Headteacher, St Pauls School on telephone no 24737 or email patricia.williams@primary.edu.sh

Expressions of interest should be submitted to the Acting Administration Officer at the Education Learning Centre or e-mail santana.fowler@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than 4pm on Friday, 7 June 2019.

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Mrs. Wendy Benjamin Director of Education & Employment, 31 May 2019



Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

This weekend's focus will be on Saturday's Champions League Final between Liverpool and Spurs.

This will be a hard game to call. I think that Liverpool will go into the game as favourites based on current form but the fact that the final is contested by two English teams will make the result far from certain.

Here are some facts about Saturday match taken from the UEFA website.

• Both teams mounted spectacular semi-final comebacks to reach the Estadio Metropolitano, home ground of Atlético Madrid, each recovering from three goals down. While Liverpool won 4-0 in their second leg against Barcelona at Anfield to progress 4-3 on aggregate, Lucas Moura's second-half hattrick at the Johan Cruijff ArenA gave Spurs a 3-2 victory at Ajax, and an away-goals success.

• Liverpool are seeking their sixth European Cup – and second UEFA Champions League triumph, following their memorable comeback against AC Milan in 2005 – while Tottenham have never previously appeared in the final. Indeed, their sole semi-final before this season came in 1961/62, while their best previous UEFA Champions League campaign, in 2010/ 11, ended in the last eight.

• There have been six previous UEFA Champions League finals between clubs from the same country, all since 2000. Real Madrid were victorious in all-Spanish affairs in 2000 (Valencia), 2014 and 2016 (both Atlético) while AC Milan beat fellow Italian side Juventus on penalties in 2003 and Bayern München overcame Borussia Dortmund in the 2013 all-German final.

• The only previous all-English final took place at Moscow's Luzhniki Stadium in 2008, Manchester United beating Chelsea 6-5 on penalties after a 1-1 draw.

• Tottenham will be the eighth English club to appear in a European Cup final, more than any other country; Italy and Germany are next on the list with six each.

• This is the fifth European Cup final to take place in Madrid, after those of 1957, 1969, 1980 and 2010 – all of which were played at Real Madrid's Santiago Bernabéu home – and the eighth in Spain

Previous meetings

• The sides have been paired together only once previously in UEFA competition, in the 1972/73 UEFA Cup semi-finals, won on away goals by Liverpool after a 2-2 aggregate draw. Alec Lindsay gave Liverpool a first-leg advantage at Anfield and Steve Heighway's goal in the White Hart Lane return, in between a Martin Peters double for the holders Spurs, proved decisive. Liverpool went on to win the trophy.

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• Liverpool has lost just one of the teams' last 14 meetings dating back to the start of 2013, winning nine.

• The Reds prevailed 2-1 in both this season's Premier League encounters, most recently at Anfield on 31 March, when Toby Alderweireld put through his own net in the last minute. Roberto Firmino had opened the scoring in the first half only for Lucas Moura to level in the second.

• Firmino had scored the winner when the teams met at Wembley on 15 September, adding to Georginio Wijnaldum's first-half strike; Erik Lamela's last-minute response came too late for Spurs.

• The sides' only previous final meeting came in the 1982 League Cup at Wembley, when Liverpool came from behind to win 3-1 after extra time, Ronnie Whelan (2) and Ian Rush getting the goals after Steve Archibald had put Spurs in front.

Final pedigree

Tottenham

• Spurs are the 40th club to reach the European Cup final, and the first newcomers since Chelsea in 2008.

• Spurs could become the 23rd side to win the European Cup, and the first new name on the trophy since Chelsea's 2012 triumph.

• This is Tottenham's fifth UEFA final, and a second against English opposition. They beat Wolves 3-2 on aggregate in the inaugural UEFA Cup final of 1971/72 (2-1 away, 1-1 home).

• Spurs also overcame Atlético Madrid 5-1 in the 1963 European Cup Winners' Cup final, becoming the first English club to lift a European trophy, and Anderlecht 4-3 on penalties in the UEFA Cup in 1984. Their sole final defeat came in the 1973/74 UEFA Cup, Feyenoord winning on 4-2 aggregate. Volume 0%

• Tottenham could therefore become the sixth club – after Juventus, Ajax, Bayern München, Chelsea and Manchester United – to win all three major UEFA club trophies.

• Toby Alderweireld came on as a first-half replacement for Atlético in the 2014 UEFA Champions League final, a 4-1 extra-time defeat by Real Madrid.

• Fernando Llorente was a late substitute as Juventus lost 3-1 to Barcelona in the 2015 UEFA Champions League final.

• Davinson Sánchez played 90 minutes as Ajax went down 2-0 to Manchester United in the 2017 UEFA Europa League final.

Liverpool

• The Reds have won five of their eight previous European Cup finals:

1976/77: Liverpool 3-1 Borussia Monchengladbach 1977/78: Liverpool 1-0 Club Brugge

1980/81: Liverpool 1-0 Real Madrid

1983/84: Liverpool 1-1 Roma (aet; Liverpool win 4-2 on penalties)

1984/85: Juventus 1-0 Liverpool

2004/05: Liverpool 3-3 AC Milan (aet; Liverpool win 3-2 on penalties)

2006/07: AC Milan 2-1 Liverpool 2017/18: Real Madrid 3-1 Liverpool

• This is the third time Liverpool have reached successive European Cup finals. Only Juventus (1997, 1998) and Valencia (2000, 2001) have lost the fixture in consecutive years.

• This is Liverpool's 21st UEFA final. In addition to their eight European Cup appearances, they are three-time winners of the UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League (1973, 1976, 2001), losing the 2016 final, and won the UEFA Super Cup in 1977,

Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

2001 and 2005, losing in 1978 and 1984. They also lost in the 1965/66 European Cup Winners' Cup final, and the 1981 and 1984 European/South American Cup. Their overall record in UEFA finals is therefore W11 L9.

• Trent Alexander-Arnold, Dejan Lovren, Virgil van Dijk, Andrew Robertson, James Milner, Jordan Henderson, Georginio Wijnaldum, Mohamed Salah, Roberto Firmino and Sadio Mané all started as Jürgen Klopp's Liverpool lost to Real Madrid 12 months ago; Adam Lallana was a first-half replacement for the injured Salah, with Simon Mignolet and Alberto Moreno unused substitutes.

• Mignolet, Lovren, Moreno, Milner, Lallana, Firmino and goalscorer Daniel Sturridge all started Liverpool's 3-1 defeat by Sevilla in the 2016 UEFA Europa League final at St. Jakob-Park, Basel with Divock Origi coming on as a late substitute; Henderson stayed on the bench for Klopp's side.

• Having got Liverpool's goal against Madrid in Kyiv last year, Mané could become the eighth player to score in more than one UEFA Champions League final, after Gareth Bale, Samuel Eto'o, Lionel Messi, Sergio Ramos, Raúl González, Mario Mand•ukiæ and Cristiano Ronaldo, who is the only player to find the net in three.



Europa League Final:

Eden Hazard scored two goals and made another to help Chelsea thump London rivals Arsenal in Baku and win the Europa League.

Victory gave Blues boss Maurizio Sarri the first trophy of his managerial career and ensured the Gunners will miss out on next season's Champions League.

St Helena International team Ynys Mon 2019

The St Helena international Football team finished their last match on the island in style prior to flying off to their first international match in Ynys Mon Wales as they won 10-2. The team played some of their best football in month; their passing and movement was too much for a fairly good local XI.

Ronan Legg who was suffering with a bout of flu was unstoppable; he scored 4 goals in the 65 minutes he played; Rico Benjamin scored 3, Ronan's brother Brett Isaac scored 1; Ryan Benjamin scored 1 and there was 1 own goal.

Shane Stroud scored 2 for the Local XI; one from the penalty spot.

On Saturday our dream will become a reality when 21 players and 3 officials jet of too Ynys Mon for St Helena's first ever international Football Tournament. We will be joined with Tina Yon-Stevens; Andrew Lawrence and Guy Collins who will assist with fitness; physio and medical issues respectively. Pat McGuiness will also serve as our media man. All 4 individuals will be assisting at no cost to the SHFA. Players are:

Goal Keepers No 1 Keith Yon No 20 Deon Yon No 26 Jia Peters

Defenders: No 2 Julian Henry No 3 Brandon Harris No 4 Mike E Williams (vice-Captain)

No 5 Ross O'Dean No 15 Dane Wade No 24 Lee Yon No 21 Kyle Yon

Midfield: No 6 Jacob Duncan No 7 Clayton Benjamin No 8 Brett Isaac No 11 Matthias Young No 12 Ryan Benjamin No 14 Jordan Yon No 17 Liam Yon

Forwards: No 9 Rico Benjamin (Captain) No 10 Ronan Legg No 16 Jace Williams

No 19 Cody Thomas

Officials: Manager Nick Stevens; Assistant Coach Johnny Isaac, Assistant Coach Wayne Crowie.

The team will arrive in Ynys Mon on Tuesday 4th June. They will play friendly matches on the 8th; 10th and 12th June prior to kicking of the tournament against the Shetland Islands on Sunday 16th June at 2pm BST. The next match will be on Tuesday 18th June 1t 18.30 BST against the favourites Guernsey.

Wednesday will be a rest day with semi-finals and playoff games on Thursday 20th with the final and bronze medal games on Friday 21st June.

The team will arrive back in St Helena on Saturday 29th June. This team has prepared well; the team spirit; fitness; speed and skill will put them in good stead to surprise a lot of teams. We are going into the unknown but with the confidence of achieving the impossible.

In order to be able to go to this tournament we had to seek sponsorship and fund raised. What we manage to do is miraculous; as from the 1st July 2018 the SHFA banked £73,722...some was for outstanding entrance fees but the majority was from sponsorship and the fund raising activities.

We the SHFA would like to thank those people behind the scenes who contributed to this fund raising effort.

To our sponsors: Johnny Isaac; St Helena Government, AMD's Construction, Enterprise St Helena, New Horizons, Rose and Crown, Colin's Garage, Connect St Helena, Bank of St Helena, Richard James, Andrew Weir Shipping, Blue Lantern; SA Airlink & Sure.



APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT PERMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Application has been received in respect of the following proposals:

- Application 2018/40: FULL Planning Application for Redevelopment of Roof Area's (Replacing of Asbestos with IBR Sheeting, Installation of Dormer, Covering of Courtyard with New Roof Structure) Rose & Crown, on Parcel 080039 Jamestown, adjacent to Rex Lawrence. Applicant: Rose & Crown Ltd
- 2. Application 2019/44: FULL Planning Application for Double Storey Extension to the Existing House to form a Bedroom with En-suite & Balcony, Dining Room, Patio, Utility Room & Walk in Wardrobe, Sea View on Parcel 0209 Francis Plain, adjacent to Roy Williams. Applicant: Brian Paul Fuller
- 3. Application 2019/45: FULL Planning Application for Construction and Installation of a Prefabricated Steel Workshop and Store Building, Drainage Depot Building and Vehicle Port, Red Hill Water Treatment Works on Parcel 0468 Francis Plain, adjacent to Patsy & Trevor Williams. Applicant: Connect St Helena Ltd

Copies of the Applications and Plans may be inspected by prior appointment with the Planning Section, Essex House, Main Street, Jamestown, Monday to Friday, from 8.30am to 4pm. Appointments can be made with the Secretary on Telephone 22270 or email <u>Karen.Isaac@sainthelena.gov.sh</u> stating the Application Reference Number they wish to inspect.

Any person who wishes to make Representations on the above Application should make them <u>in writing within 14</u> <u>days</u>, to the Planning Office, Essex House, Main Street, Jamestown or Email <u>Karen.Isaac@sainthelena.gov.sh</u>

Public Review Commencement Date Public Review Closing Date : 30 May 2019 : 14 June 2019

Shane Williams Planning Officer



The Dubbs Family & Friends would like to thank the Public who supported their Stall & Raffle on St Helena's Day 2019. A big thank you also to those who donated towards the raffle prizes and helped in anyway with the stall and selling raffle tickets before aswell as on the day. £750.00 profit were donated to Cancer Awareness £500.00, St James Church £200.00 & New Horizons £50.00. The winners of the Raffle were as follows:

- 1st Bluetooth Mini Stereo -2nd Foot Poof (Locally Made) -3rd Sandwich Toaster -4th Shopping Trolley -5th Steam Iron -6th Desk Lamp -7th St Helenas Day cake -8th Backpack BBQ Grill -9th Bathroom mat set -10th Bed Linen -11th Bedside rugs -12th Candle Holder -13th Shower Curtain & Brush -14th Luxury Bath set -15th Purple Towel Set -16th Body set -17th Wine & Chocolates -18th Shortbread & Chamdor -19th Single Duvet Cover -20th Single Fitted Sheet -
- Wendy Fuller, Ladder Hill Christine George, Jamestown Nicola Crowie, Bottom Woods Gene Henry, Longwood Mike Olsson, Jamestown Jasmine Owen, Two Gun Saddle Helena Walters, Botanical Gardens Dalton George, Pounceys Delphia Leo, Gumwoods Alan Thomas, Deadwood Sylvie Henry, St Johns Flats Alex Henry, Rock Rose Priscilla Henry, Clay Gut Peighton Roberts, Sapper Way Cyril George, Sapper Way Terry Lawrence, New Bridge Gilly Fowler, Deadwood Kenny Fowler, Sapper Way Mike Caswell, Longwood John Thomas, Sandy Bay

Thank You

Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

The SHFA football season will kick off on Saturday $29^{\rm th}$ June; the same day the international team will arrive back to the island

SHFA 2019 League Fixtures

Sat 29/6 1.30 Wirebirds v Wizards **Ref: Trystan Thomas Organisers: Rovers** 3.30 Axis v Saints **Dion Phillips Harts** Sun 30/6 1.30 Harts v Bellbovs Denny Leo Wirebirds 3.30 Rovers v FC Lakers Martin Buckley Wizards Sat 6/7 1.30 Saints v Harts Dion Maggott Axis 3.30 Wizards v FC Lakers Wayne Crowie **Bellboys** Sun 7/7 1.30 Wirebirds v Axis Denny Leo Saints 3.30 Bellboys v Rovers Kyle Yon FC Lakers Sat 13/7 1.30 Axis v Wizards Anelka Leo FC Lakers 3.30 Harts v Wirebirds Wayne Crowie Bellboys Sun 14/7 1.30 Rovers v Saints Mike E Williams Harts 3.30 FC Lakers v Bellboys Alex Osborne Wirebirds Sat 20/7 1.30 FC Lakers v Saints Martin Buckley Wizards 3.30 Wirebirds v Rovers Luke Bennett Axis Sun 21/7 1.30 Wizards v Bellboys Nick StevensSaints 3.30 Axis v Harts **Rico Benjamin** Rovers Sat 27/7

1.30 Bellboys v Saints
Scott Crowie Axis
3.30 Harts v Wizards
Alistar Buckley Wirebirds

Sun 28/7 1.30 FC Lakers v Wirebirds Mike E Williams Harts 3.30 Rovers v Axis Wayne Crowie Bellboys

St Helena Natwest Island Games team Gibraltar 2019

Aiden Yon-Stevens will be the first of the St Helena Island Games team to depart St Helena as he leaves this Saturday. Aiden will have the opportunity to train with the Ynys Mon Island Games Athletics team from the 5th June until 21st June.

Aiden Yon-Stevens will compete in the heats of the 200m and 800m on Sunday 7th July and then in the heats of the 400m Wednesday 10th July. Semi-Finals and finals of these events will take place between Monday 8th and Thursday 11th July. Aiden will continue to train at the Hillingdon Sports Complex from the 25th – 2nd July.

Brooke Yon; Colby Thomas and Duwaine Yon will leave St Helena on Saturday 22nd June and arrive in the UK on 25th June.

Brooke will go off to train with her coach Derek Pedley prior to leaving for Gibraltar on the 3rd July. Brooke's swimming events will start on Monday 8th July with the 50m Breaststroke and 200m Free Style. On Tuesday she will compete in the heats of the 200m Breaststroke and 50m Butterfly. On Wednesday Brooke will swim in the heats of the 100m Breast stroke and 50m freestyle. On Thursday she will swim in the heats of the 100m IM. Finals for Brooke' events will take place on the evenings of Monday 8th and Thursday 11th July.

After arriving in the UK on the 25th June Colby will train at the Hillingdon Sports Complex before flying out to Gibraltar on the 3rd July. Colby will start competing on Tuesday 9th July when he swims in the heats of the 50m breaststroke. On Wednesday 10th Colby will swim in the heats of the 100m freestyle and will swim on Thursday 11th July in the heats of the 50m freestyle.



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Joelees fashion situated at longwood enterprise unit 2 has available mens Hi top boots sizes 7,8,9,10 and 11, Men's no fear & fire trap zip hoodies Ig to xxlg. Men's long sleeve airwalk shirts and no fear shirts sizes Ig to xxxlg. Men's cargo trousers and jeans 32 waist . Monster engery and rock star stickers. Women's black trainers sizes 5,6,7& 8,checked leggings sizes med to xxlg,Ladies tops, Sister and mom chains, Bra extensions, GrandMar rings, Auntie bracelets,nurses watches, Iadies zip hoodies and much more.

Opening hours Wednesday's Fridays 4pm to 6pm, Saturdays 12 midday to 5pm and Sundays 10am to 1pm or call 24106/63076 to view items outside opening hours.

FOLLOW-UP CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS TAKING PLACE IN JUNE 2019

REMINDER

Councillors will be holding follow-up Constituency meetings in the following districts in June to provide updates on questions that could not be answered during the meetings held in April.

Each meeting will start at 7pm.

Blue Hill Community Centre Monday, 3 June Harford Community Centre Wednesday, 5 June Jamestown Community Centre Tuesday, 11 June

SHG 28 May 2019



VACANCY - WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES OPERATORS

The Environment, Natural Resources and Planning Directorate is seeking to recruit two individuals to work with their Waste Management Services team. Candidates should have a valid Class C License, have

relevant experience in customer care service and be able to demonstrate basic numeracy and literacy skills. The salary for the post is at Grade B commencing at £6,722

per annum. For further details regarding this post, interested persons should contact either Mr Patrick Crowie, Landfill Site Manager on Telephone No 23655 or Mr Anthony Henry, Waste Management Services Supervisor Tel; 63417.

Application forms and Job profiles are available from Scotland Office or Essex House and should be submitted to the Human Resources Manager, at Essex House or e-mail: karen.thomas@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than Wednesday 12 June 2019.

All appointments are subject to the successful candidate providing satisfactory clearances, including a medical check and vetting/DBS clearance. SHG reserves the right to have information provided on the application form independently verified.

SHG positively accepts applications from all members of the community regardless of race, gender, disability, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief, and will consider all applications on the basis of merit, in accordance with the person specification. All disabled applicants meeting the minimum criteria listed in the job profile will be guaranteed an interview.

Darren Duncan, Acting Director of Environment Natural Resources and Planning, 28 May 2019



Retail Supervisor

The FIC is looking to recruit a Supervisor to work within their West Store Foodhall.

The successful applicant must be able to demonstrate great supervisory skills and be able to lead, motivate and coach their team whilst providing a fantastic customer service experience.

The person must be a highly energetic, confident and motivated individual who has a passion for retail.

A willingness to work across any of our retail departments as and when the need arises is essential. We are open seven days a week and open on public holidays and bank holidays, so shift work and weekend work will be included.

Applicants must be of clean sober habits. A clean driving licence will be considered favourable.

For more information or to submit your CV with covering letter please contact : Tara Francis—Retail Director on 00500 27635or Email: <u>tfrancis@fic.co.fk</u>

From the League of Friends

The League of Friends has been in existence for twenty five (25) years. It was originally started by Bobby and Dulcie Robinson, Gordon and Ruth Pridham, May Young, Gay Marr, Liz Young, Muriel Gardiner and Olive Brown with Delia Hoole (the then Governor's wife) as first President. The intended purpose was to provide transport and assistance to patients who were unable to travel to Jamestown for hospital appointments or to visit relatives in hospital. There were a lot less cars and taxis on island 25 years ago so this presented a very real problem for some very vulnerable people.

The role gradually evolved helping to ease the financial burden for many patients travelling to Cape Town for medical treatment and providing much needed essential equipment for the General Hospital and other institutions which back then included The Haven, The Children's Home and Sundale. It was not only essentials that were provided but also some luxuries to aid the comfort and wellbeing of patients, clients, visitors, carers and nurses as evidenced by the amazing list of items procured over the years.

Assistance to individuals included monetary donations, usually for medivac patients or accompanying relatives going to Cape Town and ranged from £30 to £400 depending on need. (£400 was exceptional and was used to pay a patient to England for medical treatment). There were also contributions to help install a disabled ramp, help to procure passports for medivac patients, help to purchase hearing aids and even memorably for a prosthesis (artificial limb). If transport was unable to be provided by a member of the League of Friends or one of the district volunteers, then a taxi was paid for, if a patient could not afford it.

Essential equipment has included our contribution of £5000 towards the mammography machine – which is used for breast screening; the contribution of £1000 to the Bilirubin monitor – which uses a specialist blood test for new born babies; cardiac monitor £6700; some 8 to 10 blood pressure machines; an examination couch; an orthopaedic bed; commode chair; Sani-chair; wheelchair; chairs for visitors and the out patients waiting room, wooden benches, nebulizers, electric fans, air conditioner unit, water cooler, safety rails and mobile phones for Community Nurses. We are currently waiting on delivery of cordless phones for the use of patients in the main wards.

Non-essential equipment purchased included video players for the Hospital and the Haven, TVs and DVD players, CD players, headphone sets for the hospital, fridges and fridge freezers for the Elderly Care and Maternity wards; furniture for Barn View, a cooker and microwave; standard lamp for the Children's Home, wardrobes, and coloured lamps, and nappies for new-born babies at the hospital, poufs and the hand knitted/ crocheted blankets. Then there were the Christ-

The St Mark's and St Matthew's Ladies Guild would like to thank all those who attended their Coffee Morning on Easter Monday. The amount raised was £259.48. Thanks are extended to the people who provided

prizes for the Raffle and also to those gave donations.

mas parties for the different institutions. There was also provision for staff which included an Overhead Projector, a number of textbooks, notice boards, wall displays and stacking systems.

Contributions were made to others outside the institutions too like St Pauls School, the Baptist Restoration Fund and Tristan da Cunha.

All these donations were made possible by an incredible amount and variety of fundraising. There were dances (24) in district community centres, discos, invitation dances, Derby Night dances, May Ball, Valentine Dances, and Dinner Dances. There were themed dinners, lunches, fish fry's and BBQ's (22) at Donny's, Anne's Place, Plantation House, Princess Lodge, and on board the RMS St Helena; themes included Indonesian, Indian, Father's Day, and Remembrance Sunday. Then there were the Coffee Mornings (22) at various community centres, and also some very interesting venues like Blunden's, The Briars, Plantation and New Ground Houses.

Other imaginative fundraising events were organised which included a Charity Dash at the Spar, Poetry Evenings, Scrabble, Movie Evenings, Derby Nights, Casino Nights, Auctions, Tombola's, Skittles, Charity Fairs, Cake and Candy and Bottle and Can stalls, Table top sales, Millennium sale, Jubilee sale, Pot Plant sales, Christmas Card sales, Pancake stall and the inevitable Bingos. The music themed fund raisers (7) include the Sing-Along Event, a Jazz Concert, a Music Night, and Poetry and Music events and finally not forgetting that old staple the Raffles of which there were 33 in total.

The League of Friends also received donations from others like St Helenians on Ascension and in England from the St Helenian Association and other St Helenian Dances and not forgetting the very generous RMS ST Helena Charity Fund which we also benefited from.

In all the fund raising the League of Friends has raised just shy of £50,000 over the 25 years of our existence, which has enabled us to fund the various donations. The prizes for the various raffles, bingos and sales were mainly donated by League of Friends members past and present, their family and friends here and in England and local businesses. This bears testimony to the generosity of the people of St Helena and I would like to, on behalf of the League of Friends, say a very big and heartfelt thank you to the local community for your loyal support over these 25 years, we could not have achieved any of this without you.

In conclusion, I would like to invite anyone who would like to be a part of this worthwhile organisation to come and join us; or if you think of something we can provide to help patient, clients or vulnerable people in any of our institutions, do please contact us.

Pamela Ward Pearce, Chairman League of Friends



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