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# Touch Down!

*Titan's Boeing 757-200 made a smooth landing yesterday afternoon without needing to fly over the runway on a practice dummy run. The plane came to land immediately from the first descent and came to a stand at the south end of the runway with no fuss as it marked a new milestone in St Helena aviation as the largest passenger plane to land at St Helena.*

*The journey to St Helena was not so smooth. Passengers and cargo were delayed 48 hours leaving the UK and then the delayed 13:00 hrs arrival time at St Helena yesterday was further delayed when the Titan Boeing 757 was turned back to Ascension in mid-flight for reasons not yet explained. Finally, the plane made a perfect landing three-and-a-half hours later.*

*She is scheduled to take off for Accra in Ghana this morning on her returnflight to Stanstead airport in UK.*



*The largest plane to land at St Helena touched down just before 4:30pm yesterday*

## MV Helena Delayed - New Schedule

In agreement with St Helena Government, MV Helena will be remaining in Cape Town to allow for the UK transshipment containers to be loaded on voyage 31. AWSML agents received notice on Monday of the delay to the feeder vessel bringing the cargo from Coega near (Port Elizabeth), where the containers were discharged after the shipping line omitted both calls to Cape Town port. The original ETA for Cape Town after the omissions was for the 2<sup>nd</sup> August, this has now been delayed to the 10<sup>th</sup> August.

Notice to the suppliers has been issued by our Cape Town agents to allow for stack date changes and cool stow cargo. The MV Helena will berth as planned on the 31<sup>st</sup> July and then go to anchor to wait for the transshipment cargo, this will allow for passenger disembarkation and crew changes which are already secured.

The MV Helena will now look to depart Cape Town on the 14<sup>th</sup> August or earlier if possible, which will be 8 days behind the current scheduled ETD.

Revised schedule for voyage 31 and 32 below, if any improvement can be made to these date we will endeavour to do so. **AWSM.**



Voyage 31			
DESTINATION	ARRIVE	DEPART	TYPE
Cape Town	START	14/08/2020	Departure
St Helena	21/08/2020	24/08/2020	Call
Cape Town	01/09/2020	END	

Voyage 32			
DESTINATION	ARRIVE	DEPART	TYPE
Cape Town	START	05/09/2020	Departure
St Helena	12/09/2020	15/09/2020	Call
Ascension	18/09/2020	19/09/2020	Call
St Helena	22/09/2020	24/09/2020	Call
Cape Town	02/10/2020	END	

## The Power of Hope

Hope is “An optimistic state of mind”, do you agree with this? There is no doubt the word makes an appearance in our daily language, whether you hope something goes well or you desire something to happen, we feel hope every day. If we were to debate, it could be questioned if hope is good or bad, could we deny that it is slightly dangerous? To be living for the hope of it all.



**Katie-Ray Williams**

Of course to have “hope” shows positivity and an enthusiasm, indeed it shows that you have yet to “give up”. We could describe this feeling as a “fire in our belly”, or a moment of undeniable excitement when our hope carries us and destroys any doubt along the way. Indeed it is almost magical to think of an invisible power, perhaps an overstated view, but a nice one at that. Hope can lead to the expectation and belief in a promise, whether it is spiritual or simply optimistic, seemingly without hope we would be confident about nothing. Naturally we don’t always think this

deeply; we might not really need to. We shouldn’t need to be lectured or be forced to recognise anything. However in this view, surely hope is a good thing. Then again there can be danger in hope. How many times have we come across the phrase “don’t get your hopes up”? Yes, hope might bring risk of disappointment, but most of the time we just can’t help it, our hopes remain high. Often we have hope just for it to be lost, but perhaps it was worth the feeling before frustration appeared. This upset causes the question of how we should react to hope.

We could welcome it, or become weary to prevent hurting our own feelings. Really these ideas are merely “over thinking” it; of course it simply depends on you. It is hard to change our views; often we don’t have the time or just don’t care enough to “change” or think deeply. After all we have to be realistic.

But let’s not count out hope. I mean imagine a life without hope, without the strength of being sure and the excitement of enthusiasm. We might all become cynical, excepting the damage of distrust and the scorn of suspicion. Again I make a mountain out of a mole hill, but the matter is no less true.

So, I suppose hope is a luxury, unfortunately we don’t all have the treat of being hopeful, there are those among us who have been numbed by the world. Maybe we should remember the power of having hope, whether it is an unnecessary thought or not.

## From the Police

During the second week of the ‘Booze It, You Lose It’ drink-drive awareness campaign, St Helena Police have been active in many areas on the Island including Sandy Bay, Half Tree Hollow, Longwood, Ladder Hill, Jamestown and on the Haul Road.

It was reported that despite there being two reported road traffic collisions, these were of a minor nature and it was pleasing to know that there was no suspicion of alcohol involved.

Following on from last week’s views on drink-driving from young members of the community, this week St Helena Police have gathered the views of individuals who have previously been disqualified from driving due to having been convicted of drink-driving offences. Most of the comments shared, centred around regret for their actions and the Police urges all to please don’t repeat the mistake they have made by drinking and driving, as together we can keep the community safe.

A new, purpose-built Human Rights-compliant Police Custody Suite is to be built at Police HQ, Coleman House in Jamestown with the project scheduled to start next month. The new four-cell Custody Suite will contain rooms for consultation, interviews, storage and office space and there will also be a medical room – all of which will have disabled access. Full planning permission for the suite was granted by Executive Council in March this year, financed by the UK Government’s Conflict Stability & Security Fund. The building of the new facility follows a Human Rights Inquiry in 2018

which found current accommodation at HM Prison to be unsuitable. This vital facility will enable a safe and secure environment for individuals whilst they are in Police custody and will also improve the safety of officers who play a crucial role in protecting the public. A full separate Custody Suite was originally part of the planned new prison build, however, the Prison Project Board identified that the building of a new Custody Suite in Coleman House would provide better value for money and reduce the funds required for the new prison.



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# Editorial

Everyone must have seen two or maybe three government people or business associates sitting down at the Coffee Shop by the seafront, having a quiet chat. Despite what some may think, they are probably talking about work. Trying to push along some issue that has raised its ugly head and threatens to delay or complicate a plan that is being formed or a problem that needs to be resolved. No-one sees government or business people shouting to each other across Main Street as they 'wash their dirty laundry in public'. The 'dirty laundry' saying is one way to put it, megaphone diplomacy is another. Trump is an addict for megaphone diplomacy. Every thought he has get tapped out on his Twitter account as he insults anyone and everyone who has offended him in the slightest possible way. It is silly and very immature. Anything he reads in the media which he doesn't like he calls Fake News. The main problem is to decide whether to laugh or cry.

Talking about Fake News reminds me of another thing. To be perfectly honest I'm bored with this 'other thing' and it's getting late. To save time I will just copy something I wrote earlier in an email to a person who asked if an article I wrote last week about the Equality and Human Rights Commission was untrue. This person is a supporter of EHRC but had the good common sense to check whether what had been posted on social media or talked about was reliable.

I wrote:-

I thank you for your interest in this matter and applaud your efforts to get clarification and a sense of authenticity.

I will explain how my story in last week's SH Independent developed but will probably omit some sensitive bits which may (or may not) impact adversely on EHRC insofar as future discussions they may have with other parties is concerned.

I adopted the same approach in the report I wrote last week.

About this time last week some information was received that EHRC was planning to set up an investigation into how the Standing Orders for Legislative Council impinged on the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

I phoned Catherine Turner (CEO) and left a message at her offices for her. She rang me back the same afternoon.

We had a pleasant and fulsome discussion on the subject I have described including some examples of where it can be argued the Standing Orders impinge on human rights of freedom of expression and belief.

The indication was there are many more examples.

This I thought was an excellent piece of work to embark upon and worthy of mention in the local newspaper which, after all, is the 'first draft of history'. It also fits well with the work of Governance Commission which has a focus on more openness, responsibility and transparency in government. I even checked one bit of information with an individual who was mentioned by Catherine in one particular example.

I was surprised today to receive an email from Catherine asking me to retract what she had said. I immediately refused. I am willing to publish a statement from ERHC stating they will no longer be pursuing this investigation or analysis or whatever way they were considering approaching the subject. Catherine's email today had a letter to the editor attached together with a letter from Barry Francis as Chair of the Commissioners. Both letters put the blame on the newspaper and neither acknowledged to any degree they are or were thinking of undertaking this piece of work. Several informed sources know they were planning this work and have now changed their minds – it appears.

Catherine Turner's husband who unlike me is an aficionado of FaceBook posted a comment this morning about 'fake news' from the Independent. He also wrote something about needing authorisation from EHRC to write anything about them. This I find difficult to square with his declared strong support for a Freedom of Information Act.

Catherine Turner's email made this fairly inconsequential event mysterious and strange while her husband has turned it into the Theatre of the Absurd.

It leaves me wondering if some institutions in St Helena will cope with the responsibility of more openness and transparency which is widely aspired to.



I also copied this email text to Barry Francis the current chairman of the Equality and Human Rights Commissioners. No acknowledgement or reply has yet been received.

Have a great weekend.

I hope the weather stays good and dries your laundry quickly.

**Vince**

## Call for Jersey's ministerial system to be reviewed

This week the report of St Helena's Governance Commission got to its final draft and it has now been distributed for councillors to consider. On the same day the report was distributed the Jersey Evening Post tells its readers that a minister in the Jersey Government will be proposing a review of their ministerial system at the next meeting of their parliament. Jersey has had a ministerial system of government for 15 years. They did have a committee system of government but it was heavily criticised for much the same reasons it is criticised here.

The review of Jersey's ministerial system is being proposed by the Environment Minister, John Young; he was kind enough to give the *Independent* full details of his proposal which amounts to a 10 page report. It makes interesting reading. The proposal argues that a review is required, not because the ministerial system adopted 15 years ago has been found not to work; it is because during those 15 years some regulations have been introduced and organisational changes made which have damaged the ministerial system originally agreed and introduced. On the basis of Minister Young's 10 page proposal some serious flaws have crept in to what is necessarily a finely balanced governance structure if the usual aims of openness, transparency, accountability and responsibility are to be achieved.



**Environment Minister John Young – States of Jersey**

With St Helena at the beginning of a similar process, it is useful to take a close look at what has happened in a similar small island state which is 15 years ahead of us. First it is best to know the differences between St Helena and Jersey. They have a population of more than 100,000 and there are 49 Elected Members with 21 of them being ministers or assistant ministers. They have one small and new political party which has five Elected Members in their parliament. All other Elected Members, like ours, are independent.

Mr Young's first point of criticism is the centralisation of power. Power has not centralised around the Chief Minister who should be the person who takes ultimate responsibility for all government decisions. In Jersey power has centralised around the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). In St Helena that would be the Chief Secretary. Jersey appointed a new CEO a few years ago and this person has, somehow, managed to take complete control of all government officers AND government spending. The proposed ministerial system for St Helena has the Chief Officer responsible for the overall government

budget and each minister works with the government officers who are employed in the directorate where the minister is responsible for policy and its implementation, administration and budgetary control. All of that appears now sit with the CEO.

The proposed St Helena system makes clear the Chief Minister is in charge and takes the hits when things go wrong as well as the praise when something goes right. In Jersey it seems neither the ministers nor the CEO had "controlling powers" as Mr Young puts it. Because of this some of weaknesses we are familiar with under the committee system started to appear. Attempts to co-ordinate strategic policies did not succeed and the 10 ministers with their 11 assistant ministers started to work in isolation within the walls of their own ministries. It was not until 2014 that the Chief Minister was given the power to tell any of his ministers that "he will have to let them go." It was only in the same year that the principle of collective responsibility was introduced. In other words once the Chief Minister and his ministers have got together and agreed something, that's it. If one minister is strongly opposed to whatever has been agreed, he or she needs to either keep quiet or resign. It may seem harsh but it's impossible to have an effective government if the government leaders are debating, discussing and arguing all the time.

It was 2018 when the new CEO entered onto the Jersey Government scene. Charlie Parker is his name (not to be confused with the excellent jazz saxophonist of the same name) and this new CEO embarked upon more changes which took the system of government further away from the original agreement. Charlie Parker made changes, "enabling a fully empowered Chief Executive Officer, with a ministerial mandate to restructure the States of Jersey Departments into "one government", providing the authority which had not been available to previous CEO's. The Chief Minister was given power to change the structure of Ministries, reassign their responsibilities, and at the same time as removing the "corporation sole" from ministers." Also, "Ministerial collective responsibility was removed from the law, perhaps because it was considered superfluous under a single legal entity government as a dissenting minister could easily be overridden." How Mr Parker managed to get these changes through, under the noses of the Elected Members is not explained. It meant the CEO went his way with the public service and the Chief Minister went another way with his army of ministers. The removal of "corporation sole" from ministers meant they were no longer recognised as legal entities with the responsibility



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that goes with it. The government officers were now accountable to the CEO, not the ministers.

Mr Young points out in his report that there have been many departures from the original recommendation through ad hoc decisions, ministerial direction and incremental drift. The succession of changes, Mr Young states, "replaced the previous one to one working relationships between each Minister and a Service Head Chief Officer." Most of these relationships were successful, Mr Young states in his report. There is much more, but one point must be mentioned.

The Jersey Government system, like the proposed St Helena system, gives power of scrutiny to those Elected Members who are not ministers. Non-ministers will have the job of checking what ministers are planning to do, making judgements on how well plans are implemented, the general performance of the directorate they lead and how well they spend their budget. The 15 years experience of ministerial government in Jersey leads Mr Young to point out, "There are still concerns over the effectiveness of the interaction between government and scrutiny, and the adequacy of processes to ensure Scrutiny has unfettered access to information and sufficient opportunity to influence States (government) policy." The Jersey experience makes the message for us clear, the Governance Commission may have finished the work given to it, but there is still much to be done – with care and vigilance.



**Charlie Parker, Chief Executive Officer - States of Jersey**

The States of Jersey's Chief Executive, Charlie Parker, is being paid £250,000 per year.

The salary, along with his contract, was revealed after the island's Information Commissioner ordered it to be released to the public. Details of any future severance pay agreement have been kept private. Jersey has a Freedom of Information Act – we have not.



## St Andrew's Church will Chime with St Anne's in Epwell

The parishioners of St Anne's church in Epwell, Oxfordshire hope people in Half Tree Hollow will wake to the soft tones of the bell at St Andrew's church by the time Christmas comes around again. Epwell, a village of less than 300 souls is home to Andrew and Nicola McHugh. Nicola spent two years in St Helena with the Health Directorate involved with training nurses. Andrew McHugh was studying for a Masters Degree in health systems management. The McHughs and the congregation of St Anne's decided to do something about it when Bishop Dale Bowers mentioned a St Helena church was in need of a church bell.

strengthened when Nicola and Andrew joined the St Helena Diocesan Association in the UK. The Annual General Meeting of the Association was held recently and the McHughs attended remotely using Zoom. During the meeting Bishop Dale said that St Mark's in Longwood needed a bell. The McHughs offered to find one, somehow. It was not long below they won the auction for a church bell on eBay. In the meantime a bell for St Mark's had been crafted from an old gas cylinder, but that did not matter. Bishop Dale told the St Anne's parishioners that St Andrew's at Half Tree Hollow also needed a bell. The bell is now on its way to Cape Town. Covid chaos permitting it will be in place at its new home before Christmas.



**Andrew and Nicola McHugh, right, and church warden of St Annes Epwell, Alasdair Lowe with the bell**

In another village just along the road from Epwell, is Bishop James Johnson, a former Bishop of St Helena and a good friend of Andrew McHugh. The links with St Helena were



**The bell destined for St Andrew's church**

# Titan Airways Prepares For First Boeing 757 Flight To St Helena

**This article was published by the aviation site 'Simple Flying' this week. It is the largest aviation newssite in the world:**

A very special aircraft is gearing up to land at the infamous Saint Helena Airport. Titan Airways will be flying a Boeing 757 to the airport this week. This will be the airport's first Boeing 757 arrival and the largest passenger jet to ever land at the airport.



This week, Titan Airways will be flying a Boeing 757 into Saint Helena Airport (HLE). The aircraft will be the largest passenger jet to ever arrive at the airport and will conduct essential operations. The plane will operate a repatriation flight.

Saint Helena Airport released information about the flight in a Facebook post. Last week, the airport held a planning meeting with Titan Airways to discuss the arrival. There is a lot that has to go into the aircraft's arrival because the airport is an extraordinary place—alongside the obvious health crisis



The plane itself will make a stop in Ascension Island (ASI) on the way to St. Helena. Specifically, the aircraft will land at the Royal Air Force (RAF) base and stay overnight before heading to HLE.

Back in April, Titan Airways flew its all-business class Airbus A318 to Saint Helena on a relief flight. The A318 is much smaller than the 757, but it still made for an exciting flight. That plane took off on a direct itinerary from London Stansted

Airport (STN) to HLE with a stop in Accra, Ghana.

That flight was not a repatriation one. Rather, the plane was carrying medical staff, close to 1000 medical testing kits, ventilators, and other medical supplies. Interestingly enough, that plane was leased from British Airways and used to fly between London City and New York-JFK.

There are a lot of very special airports around the world, and Saint Helena is one. It did not start to receive its first commercial services until 2017, when Airlink used its Embraer jets to fly to the island.

HLE has a short runway and is a very remote airport, which limits the opportunity for regular commercial flights on larger aircraft.

This flight has the potential to get enough attraction for an airline to consider flights to Saint Helena. With only one carrier flying into the airport, along with some charter flights, any kind of further groundings or financial issues could end the island's commercial connection to the outside world.

Comair was previously one of the contenders to fly to the airport, but the remoteness and height above sea level limited the airline's options.



Any airline watching this flight could then pursue options to fly to Saint Helena, once the crisis is over. But, any airline would likely seek attractive subsidies to make the flight work. Plus, there would be some logistical issues finding alternate points for a diversion in case the weather did impact an airline's arrival. Any commercial flight, however, beyond Airlink's flight, is likely at least a year or more away.

 Simple Flying

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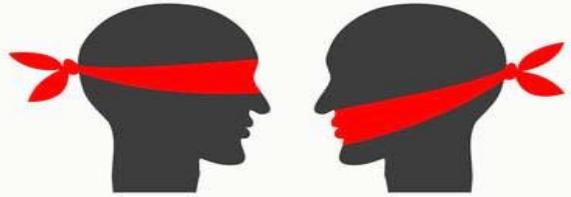
One headline in yesterday's UK newspapers screamed out, *EU still doesn't get it! Brussels tells UK hand over fishing access as it's 'no big deal'*. There are many similarities in that story with St Helena and fishing. Apart from both being about fishing, both have gone on far too long and there is in both a tangled web of detail where some aspects of the detail is misinterpreted, or may be not understood, perhaps it is simply not liked or just used as an excuse to prolong the negotiations even further. People in the UK are now looking upon the Brexit negotiations as a kind of virus; a coronavirus where the negotiators should be locked down or locked up, it doesn't matter, and not allowed to see daylight again until a full agreement is signed. A similar sentiment is gaining ground in St Helena.

Too often the *Independent* is bemoaning the difficulties in getting useful and important information out of people on matters which are of public concern. Apart from a radio interview this week lasting one hour and ten minutes there was Johnny Clingham's Podcast, several emails and copies of emails, press statements, outline proposals and amended outline proposals; the list goes on. We could write a book on it – but our readers definitely would not thank us for going to all that trouble.

One important piece in the decision-making jigsaw is now in place. The quotas or Total Allowable Catch for the main species are now decided and generally known. There has been animated discussion on why the Bigeye quota is now 600 tonne per year and the reasons have been explained. Now please can we move on?

There are assurances the fish processing factory will remain in operation under the present arrangements until such time as PQ Trading and the St Helena Fishermen's Co-operative takes over. If fishermen do not join the co-operative two things could happen. The business model now being arranged for St Helena fisheries will collapse, PQ Trading will not be able to continue and will withdraw their investment, expertise and connections for marketing the fish. Without a firm foundation for building up the historically mismanaged St Helena fisheries there will then be a real danger the fish processing factory could close. The next important piece of the decision-making jigsaw is to get the proposed fishermen's co-operative off the ground. PQ Trading insists all commercial fishermen are invited to join the co-operative and information on the co-operative has been widely circulated. Even the *Independent* has a copy. It is definitely not by invitation only.

Unfortunately it seems inevitable there will be lengthy discussion on certain points. Membership of the co-operative will be based mainly on past commitment to the local fishing industry and the size of investment in the new fisheries business. The number of members of the co-operative will be based on the Total Allowable Catch (TAC). However, PQ Trading will be bringing two fishing boats and one ice vessel where the catch will be stored while the off-shore vessels are fishing the sea mounts. Each boat will need about 12 crew and it is hoped at least half the crew will be Saints. If 18 fishermen can be found to fish the sea mounts there is work there for them. On past experience only a minority of fishermen have wanted to work the sea mounts so finding about 18 local



fishermen may be difficult. The inshore fishermen, it is reported, will carry on as before. They will be part of the co-operative and involved in decisions. They will also share in any profits the co-operative make. Inshore fishermen too will be expected to make an investment in the co-operative. Once the co-operative membership is up to full strength no further applications for membership will be considered, unless a vacancy occurs or the TAC is increased. Fishermen who do not or cannot join the co-operative will be able to sell their catch to the co-operative at the prices prevailing at any given time.

A further 23 people will be involved with the fish processing factory. Six of the 23 are anticipated to be recruited from overseas. The six will be setting up accreditation, training and overseeing fish processing. Where, and whenever possible, Saints will be phased in to replace expat staff. The 23 people involved with the fish processing include six members of the managing committee and the committee secretary. Seven people will be involved in day-to-day administra-

## NEW BANK OF ST HELENA CHEQUE FEE

Bank of St Helena Ltd would like to inform the public that as of 01 August 2020, a fee of £5 will be applied to each Bank of St Helena Cheque that does not clear due to insufficient funds in the account. This fee will be taken from the primary account and is applicable to all customers.

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tion leaving the remaining nine who will be directly involved with processing the fish. Of the nine, six will be processors, two will be drivers and the remaining one will be the engineer.

There will be great and continual emphasis on maximising the price of fish for export by ensuring high standards are maintained from vessel to factory to final consumer. The Outline Proposal for the Co-operative points out that fish prices on the international market will vary according to seasons and the economic laws of supply and demand. Revenue gained from marketing fish internationally will be used first to pay the cost of running the fish processing factory with the remaining revenue going to fishermen as wages. The prices charged for fish will take into account the variability of market prices by continuously reserving a profit mark-up for financing any shortages which may occur from time to time.

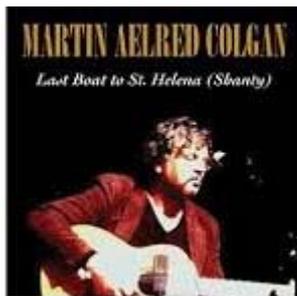
The Co-operative will continue to work with the Blue Belt Pro-

gramme, the International Pole and Line Foundation and the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas. While local fishermen are agreeing the details of the proposed co-operative, work will also be progressing on finalising the contracts to be put in place before the new fisheries business model becomes operational. It is hoped, by optimists, that the talking will stop and the work will begin by the end of September.

The local market for fish will be supplied by the co-operative. It is anticipated the bulk of the revenue required to keep the fish processing factory operational and provide local fishermen with a living will come from exported fish. The aim will be for the local market for fish will be supplied at either cost price or slightly above. In any event at a lower price than paid now. It is possible that building up exports to achieve this aim may take two or three years.

## Opera Singer writes songs for St Helena

An album inspired by the last sailing of the RMS from Cape Town to St Helena in January 2018 has been released by Martin Aelred Colgan. There are 14 songs on the album plus further acoustic guitar versions of three songs. The lead track is Last Boat to St Helena which you can see and hear on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HSEfBjGesZA> or download the album on Amazon for 99p. This album and Martin Aelred Colgan appear on several websites; Tourism Director, Helena Bennett, added to the publicity hype saying, "It is nice that the producers decided to make a song featuring St Helena. We encourage these types of initiatives as they all contribute towards the promotion of St Helena. We wish you all well with these endeavours."



Mr Colgan is a man of many parts, it seems. In his early days he was a backing musician for Duran Duran, Gary Numan and David Bowie. He also learnt classical guitar under the tutorship of Manitas de Plata and had training in singing to opera standard. More recently he has performed before Prince Charles, Pope Benedict XVI and the Dalai Lama among about 500 performances in the last six years. He speaks Italian, Spanish and French and plays the piano, cello, violin, and more, as well as the guitar. Maybe his biggest audience was at Celtic Park, home of Celtic Football Club where he sang *Nessun Dorma* in front of 60,000 appreciative fans.

Born in Glasgow and raised in Australia, Martin Aelred Colgan spent his Covid 19 'lockdown' in Glasgow putting together his Last Boat to St Helena album.

## Invitation to Tender

The Saint Helena Government invites suitably experienced contractors to submit tenders for the following contracts-

- **Charter Vessel & Crew to undertake Inshore Fisheries Survey for Bait Species**

- **Deliver Ground Fish on a monthly basis for Bio-sampling**

Copies of the tender document can be obtained from **Miss Tiffany Lawrence**

**Procurement Officer**

**Essex House**

**Jamestown**

**Telephone No: 22270 or**

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If you require any further details, a meeting has been scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 04 August 2020, at 3pm in Essex House Conference Room.

Alternatively, you can contact Mr Rhys Hobbs, Marine Conservation Officer or Mr Joachim Naulaerts, Marine Conservation Assistant on telephone number 22270 or email [rhys.hobbs@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:rhys.hobbs@sainthelena.gov.sh) or [joachim.naulaerts@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:joachim.naulaerts@sainthelena.gov.sh).

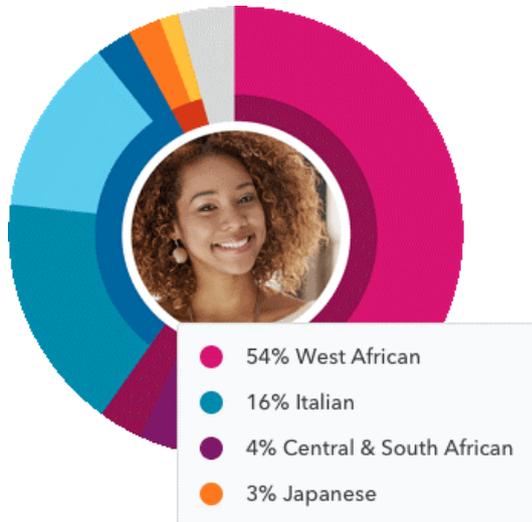
Completed tender forms should be placed in the Tender Box at Essex House by 12noon on Friday, 07 August 2020, clearly marked with the ENRP tender number.

Interested parties should note that this opportunity is **not** being advertised overseas.



## DNA Research Reveals Brutal Details

A United States company which usually traces ancestry through DNA samples for people who pay for their research has recently completed a study where genetic data from 50,000 volunteering participants from both sides of the Atlantic was compared with records from slave ships. The purpose of studying the 23andMe DNA data was to compare present day genetic results with the slave ship manifests. While the comparisons turned out to be what was expected in some cases, in others there are striking differences.



### One DNA analysis from the thousands of DNA tests

More Africans trafficked as slaves from the area which is now Nigeria were discovered to have been brought to the United States than was previously realised. This is thought to be due to a 'local' slave trade between the Caribbean Islands and the southern US states. Most African-Americans, as expected, have roots in what is now Angola and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. However there is less genetic representation in today's gene pool than should be expected given the number of captured Africans who were taken to the United States from Senegal and Gambia. The reason given in the report of the research is that the Senegalese and Gambians were often rice cultivators and would have been bought by owners of rice plantations in the US. Malaria was rampant in the rice fields and many of the slave workers would not have lived long enough continue their blood line.

The report also concluded the present-day genetic make-up of African-Americans has been 'skewed' because of government and slave owner practices which included the rape of African women by white men and other forms of sexual exploitation such as the promise of freedom if they gave birth to more children. These reasons are thought to explain the strong bias towards female DNA in the present-day gene pool.

### Up Yours Corona! Everyone Agrees

A BBC Radio 1 breakfast show has just achieved something which should make the United Nations green with envy; to get a 'representative' from all 193 member states to agree. As with many great achievements it had a small and unexpected beginning. The breakfast show thrives on phone-ins. During a recent phone-in a listener let go of her locked down emotions about Covid restrictions during a phone call with the breakfast show radio host. "UP YOURS CORONA" she shouted. Soon afterwards a listener in Germany called the



radio show and shouted 'Up Yours!' across the airwaves. Another listener suggested they should take this message international and get BBC Radio 1 fans from across the world to phone up, shout Up Yours Corona! and say what country they were phoning from.

After just 7 days people from the 193 UN member countries phoned in to express the same sentiment – "UP YOURS CORONA". Of course not all countries use exactly the same expression. The call from Latvia translated as "Go to dill Corona". From Finland it was "Ski into a spruce" and from Sweden came "Get into the fire Corona". The Norway contribution translates as "Go to Hell Corona" which is OK as there is a place called Hell in Norway. From China the call was for the coronavirus to "Hurry up and disappear".

### China is propping up Trump's United States amid trade rows

While the United States increases its already formidable debt burden due to the pandemic, China is funding the debt the United States is piling up. While China responds in equal measure to trade barriers erected by Trump's Administration and closes a consulate in a tit-for-tat response to what the US Government has done, a big chunk of the money borrowed by the US Treasury is coming from China. The latest figures released for May show China has added almost \$11 billion to what the United owes them in just one month. The total amount owed by the United States to China is more than \$ 1 trillion – that is one million million or \$1,000,000,000,000. Total US Government debt is estimated at \$25 trillion. It was \$14 trillion before Trump became US president.



*I'm Great at getting America into debt*



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- Ability to **deal with difficult situations**
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- **Excellent communication skills** to deliver care and services to people with a wide range of physical and psychological needs, whilst encouraging independence wherever appropriate
- Can remain **calm under pressure**

**Previous experience** of working in a care environment **is desirable.**

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**Salary** for this post is in Grade B commencing at **£6,890 per annum.**

For **further information** about the duties of the post and a copy of the job profile, interested persons should contact **Nicole Hercules**, Manager (Ebony View and Piccolo Hill) on telephone number 25119 or e-mail: [nicole.hercules@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:nicole.hercules@sainthelena.gov.sh).

**Application forms**, which are available from Corporate Human Resources and Children & Adult Social Care Directorate or on the SHG website at: [www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies](http://www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies) should be submitted through Directors where applicable, to Sharina Williams, Human Resources Officer, The Castle or email [recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh) by **no later than Tuesday, 11 August 2020.**

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**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.**



# SPOTLIGHT ON BRADLEY'S CAMP HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL TEAM



SHG  
30 July 2020

St Helena continues to ensure we have the appropriate preventative measures in place to respond to the COVID-19 Pandemic. As we look forward to welcoming another charter flight from the UK this week and another round of passengers to undergo 14-days of compulsory quarantine at Bradley's Camp, Hospitality staff have been working hard to ensure the Camp is ready for its new residents.

Bradley's not only provides quarantine accommodation, the Camp also houses a second Hospital to provide medical care for any resident who might present with COVID-19 symptoms or test positive for the virus.

In this feature, we will take a look at the Hospital and medical side of Bradley's Camp, its capacity and how it will be used in the event of a COVID-19 case. We will also meet the medical team who have come to the Island especially to support us in our response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**The Hospital** Termed a second or temporary Hospital, the Hospital at Bradley's Camp has been purposely set up to deal with COVID-19 cases. It is equipped on a smaller scale in exactly the same way as the General Hospital in Jamestown, with the capacity to hold five general hospital beds, 10 ICU beds and the ability to extend to 10 more if required. Further medical equipment for the Hospital is expected on this week's charter flight from the UK.

If someone presents with symptoms or tests positive for COVID-19, Bradley's Hospital will immediately activate with seven nursing staff based at the Hospital to provide treatment for these patients. This allows two nurses on 12-hour shifts, seven days and nights a week and working for five weeks. These staff will then be relieved by a new team of seven staff, who will not return home, but instead spend two weeks in quarantine. There are a further seven nurses on standby should additional support be needed. The nursing staff will liaise closely with the doctors on site.



There are several treatment types available for patients. These are the same treatment options that are being delivered all over the world and we are following the constantly changing advice from the World Health Organization and Public Health England (PHE).

All the doctors keep up to date with latest developments and we work closely with PHE to give the latest care.

Patients exhibiting mild symptoms of COVID-19 will be placed under observation until treatment is determined to be necessary, with some patients requiring no treatment at all.

Patients exhibiting more severe symptoms may require high-flow oxygen to be administered. This allows very high levels of oxygen to be delivered. For example, in a normal hospital setting you can typically deliver up to 15L of oxygen per minute - high-flow oxygen can be delivered at up to 60L per minute.

The next stage would be to deliver oxygen under pressure via CPAP or BIPAP machines. This is where a mask is tightly attached to your face and delivers a mix of oxygen and air under pressure to keep your lungs open to allow gas exchange.

If a patient became really unwell we have ventilators set up ready to deliver the required oxygen via a tube which is inserted down the patient's throat. This would allow the patient to receive treatment whilst they are under sedation.



Heading the nursing team at Bradley's is Charge Nurse, Ross Townsend, with Intensive Treatment Unit Nurse, Vanessa Matthews, as his deputy.

Ross said:

*"All staff have stepped up to the challenge should we be presented with a case or cases of COVID-19 on St Helena. We are all very happy to do what we need to do to protect the Island. I am very proud of the nurses who will be staying away from their homes and families for seven weeks to ensure we can provide the medical treatment that will be required."*

The Hospital itself is completely separate and fenced off from the accommodation side of Bradley's and measures such as separate laundry facilities are in place to prevent cross-infection between the accommodation and medical side.



# Meet the Medical Team



**Name:** Ross Townsend **Job Title:** Charge Nurse  
**Specialism:** Emergency Care but also some Critical Care experience  
**Role in supporting COVID-19 preparedness on the Island:** The Bronze lead for the medical side of Bradley's Camp, in charge of all planning and day-to-day operations.  
**Brief working background:** Been a nurse since 2006 with experience on the wards and in a variety of areas. Went to work in the Emergency Department (A&E) for 10 years before branching out into specialist nursing jobs in Critical Care but mainly Emergency Medicine and Emergency Care.



**Name:** Dr Charles Laubscher **Job Title:** General Practitioner  
**Specialism:** Family Medicine, Emergency Medicine, Remote Medicine  
**Role in supporting COVID-19 preparedness on the Island:** Assisting with the setting up of management guidelines and being part of the team that will be looking after any COVID-19 patients  
**Brief working background:** Studied in South Africa. Have a Master's Degree in Family Medicine from Monash University in Australia. Was involved in Liberia during the Ebola outbreak and helped prepare a mining client in putting measures into place to prevent the disease from entering the site and also in preparing facilities and training medical staff in safely managing Ebola patients. Much time was also spent in briefing the Mine's employees about the disease and how it can be prevented and what to do if one develops symptoms. Was involved in setting up measures for another mining client in Central Asia before coming to St Helena. Have also several years of experience working on cruise ships where infectious disease outbreaks are a particular problem due to the confined living conditions on board.



**Name:** Chantelle Bosch  
**Job Title:** General Nurse and Midwife  
**Specialism:** General Nursing and Maternity  
**Role in supporting COVID-19 preparedness on the Island:** To provide additional medical assistance for the Island, as part of the COVID-19 response team. In the event that there are cases of COVID-19 infections on the Island, provide nursing care to the affected patients in isolation at Bradley's Camp.  
**Brief working background:** Experience in Medical and Surgical Nursing, Accident & Emergency and Maternity.

**Role in supporting COVID-19 preparedness on the Island:** To educate people on the virus as well as help in the prevention of spread of the virus should it become present on the Island by using all protocols and preventative measures in helping to isolate cases of the virus to prevent the spread of the disease, should it come here.  
**Brief working background:** Have worked with isolation patients with multiple medication resistant strains of bacteria as well as viruses in various conditions and hospitals in South Africa. Have extensive knowledge of the protocols and procedures for isolation of patients in all settings with many underlying health issues present in these patients. Recently worked with many geriatric as well as younger patients presenting with various diseases who have had the necessity to become isolation patients to prevent the spread of these medication resistant strains of bacteria and viruses. Also have background in the theatre as an Anaesthetic & Recovery Nurse which may also be necessary for the prevention of and spread of these resistant strains of bacteria and viruses.

**Name:** Deborah Mosca  
**Job Title:** General Nurse  
**Specialism:** General Nursing on the Wards



**Name:** Dr Imran Hasan **Job Title:** Anaesthetist  
**Specialism:** Anaesthesia & Intensive Care  
**Role in supporting COVID-19 preparedness on the Island:** To support the establishment of a prevention, treatment and management plan for the Coronavirus Pandemic  
**Brief working background:** Graduated as a doctor in 1985. Have 29 years' experience in anaesthesia and 25 years' experience in intensive care and worked in Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, England, Wales, Scotland and the Channel Islands.

**Name:** Stephen Dwyer **Job Title:** Biomedical Scientist  
**Specialism:** Haematology, Transfusion and Coagulation  
**Role in supporting COVID-19 preparedness on the Island:** To help support the scientific workforce, should COVID-19 ever reach the Island.  
**Brief working background:** Over an 18-year career have spent 11 of those years in management or senior management in Haematology or Blood Sciences. Fortunate enough to work in six different countries, ranging from the UK, to Iraq. Previous experience in PCR techniques and a postgraduate qualification in Molecular Pathology.



**Name:** Mnqobi Shude **Job Title:** Staff Nurse  
**Specialism:** Midwifery, Community Nursing and Psychiatry  
**Role in supporting COVID-19 preparedness on the Island:** To support and provide high care for patients if there ever was a COVID-19 outbreak on the Island.  
**Brief working background:** Have previously worked as a trauma nurse and in the general wards.

**Role in supporting COVID-19 preparedness on the Island:** To support the clinical care of critically ill patients in the Temporary hospital at Bradley's Camp as well as the General Hospital. Part of the team set up to assist in treatment of COVID-19 patients on-Island, in the event of the virus presenting itself here.  
**Brief working background:** 20 years of Critical Care nursing experience.

**Name:** Vanessa Matthews  
**Job Title:** Intensive Treatment Unit Nurse  
**Specialism:** Critical Care Registered Nurse



**Name:** Kabelo Dipholo **Job Title:** Staff Nurse  
**Specialism:** Theatre (Anaesthesia, Recovery Room), Emergency and Resuscitation, Medical and Surgical Wards  
**Role in supporting COVID-19 preparedness on the Island:** To educate, support and provide high care for patients working hand-in-hand with a multidisciplinary team if there ever was an outbreak on the Island.  
**Brief working background:** Worked for the South Africa Department for more than 10 years in the Emergency Centre, Medical and Surgical Wards and was also a Tuberculosis and Medical Male Circumcision Coordinator. Have worked in Primary and Community Health Care. Resigned from the Department of Health and went to work in the private sector at Medi Clinic Hospital in Emergency and Resuscitation before moving to the Orthopaedic ward for two years and then in the Main Theatre for five years.

**Name:** Chani Montaque  
**Job Title:** Physiotherapist  
**Specialism:** All-rounder in physiotherapy

**Role in supporting COVID-19 preparedness on the Island:** To provide guidelines for physiotherapy service provision in the event of COVID-19 reaching the Island and to provide physiotherapy services as required for COVID-19 patients.  
**Brief working background:** Have worked in both the National Health Service and in the private sector.





For further information, including the Company's attractive benefits package, please contact Laura Yon, Manager, BFI on telephone number: 22332 or via email address: BFI@helanta.co.sh

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Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has a vacancy for an

## Assistant Manager

within the Bulk Fuel Installation

### Job Outline

To assist the Manager with the day to day running of the Bulk Fuel Installation, and to deputise for the Manager in their absence

### Interested Persons Should:

- Ideally have GCSE Maths & English or equivalent at Grade C or above
- Have knowledge of bulk fuel storage, distribution and handling and related Health & Safety
- Have good leadership ability with experience in managing a team
  - Have strong interpersonal & organisational skills
- Have excellent IT skills and be able to communicate effectively
  - Ability to multi task & work under pressure
  - Be in possession of a valid driver's license

Salary will start at £ 1,142.70 per month, (£13,712.40 per annum)



Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has a vacancy for a

## Sales Assistant

Within the DIY Store

### Job Outline

To assist with the day-to-day running of the store and cargo clearing operations, and to ensure a high standard of customer service.

### Interested Persons Should:

- Possess knowledge of DIY and Hardware products
- Ideally have experience with carrying out light DIY projects
  - Possess experience in cash handling
  - Be customer focused and target driven
  - Be competent in Maths, English & IT
- Be self-motivated and able to work well as part of a team

Salary for the post will start at £645.11 per month (£7,741.32 per annum)

For further information, including the Company's attractive benefits package, please contact Colin Bargo, DIY Store Manager on telephone number: 22104 or via email address: diy@solomons.co.sh

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For further information, including the Company's attractive benefits package, please contact Marilyn Joshua, Grocery Manager (Country Outlets) on telephone number: 23559 or via email address: hth-manager@solomons.co.sh

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Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has a vacancy for a

## Grocery Sales Assistant

Within the Half Tree Hollow Supermarket

### Job Outline

To assist with the day-to-day running of the Supermarket and to ensure a high standard of customer service

Interested Persons Should:

- Possess knowledge & skills of Food Safety
- Be customer focused and target driven
  - Be competent in Maths, English & IT
  - Possess experience in Cash Handling
- Be self-motivated and able to work well as part of a team

Salary for the post will be £618.15 per month (£7,417.80 per annum)



For further information, including the Company's attractive benefits package, please contact Paul Gasteen, Fuel Stations Manager on telephone number: 22523 or via email address: fuelstations.manager@solomons.co.sh

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Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has a vacancy for a

## Supervisor

Within the Jamestown Fuel Station

### Job Outline

To be responsible for the day to day operations of the Jamestown Fuel Station ensuring maximum performance and quality service is delivered on a consistent and timely basis

Interested Persons Should:

- Have proven supervisory experience with the ability to lead a team
  - Be competent in Maths, English & IT
  - Have experience in cash management and security
  - Have knowledge of stock management
- Possess Health & Safety awareness including handling substances hazardous to health

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# JOB VACANCY BAKERY MANAGER

**We are looking for someone who is:**

- Capable in managing the operations professionally and handling all issues confidently
- Skilled in identifying expansion opportunities by analysing market trends and implementing growth strategies effectively
- Skilled in inspiring the team to achieve the desired results through cooperation and teamwork
- Able to prepare and review sales reports to track profit or loss and suggest measures to improve financial performance
- Knowledgeable with various computer applications used for inventory records, billing and data processing related to the bakery operations
- Able to work unsocial hours

As the Bakery Manager, you will lead the dedicated Bakery team to deliver a quality bakery service to meet local market needs.

Salary for the post will start at **£15,358.08** per annum (£1,279.84 per month)

For further information, including the Company's attractive benefits package, please contact Dean Okali, General Manager (Production), on telephone number: 22380, or via email address: gm-productions@solomons.co.sh

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**Expressions  
of Interest**



*St Helena Island*  
Secret of the South Atlantic

## Expressions of Interest for St Helena promotional videos

Enterprise St Helena (ESH) is seeking expressions of interest from local and international film production companies to produce professional Tourism promotional videos of the Island as part of the Covid-19 recovery promotion. The video's will be required to be filmed and edited to meet international standards and will be produced as per the project brief which is available from ESH.

All videos produced will be solely owned by ESH and will be utilised for a range of platforms as the organisation sees fits.

As part of Enterprise St Helena's procurement procedures, interested persons are invited to submit a proposal and quotation, including a showreel or portfolio work which will be used in the shortlisting process. This should also include any accreditations or videography awards obtained from previous work.

Closing date for submissions is Friday, 7 August 2020.

**For further information and to receive copy of the Scope of Works, please contact Sophia Joshua,  
Marketing & Communications Officer on Telephone 22920 or alternatively email Sophia.Joshua@tourism.co.sh**



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# Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

Last Sunday saw the conclusion of the English Premier League Season. This strange season which saw football put on pause for a few months because of the pandemic Covid-19 was dominated from start to finish by Liverpool. The Anfield club racked up 99 points and finished 18 points ahead of second place team Manchester City.

Amazingly City lost 9 matches in the Premier League. This would have been a terrible disappointment for their manager Pep Guardiola. Good news for City fans was that the Court of Arbitration for sport overturns their 2 year Champions League ban.

Manchester United looked a different team after the signing of Bruno Fernandes, with the return of Pogba and the emergence of Mason Greenwood they manage to finished 3<sup>rd</sup> with Leicester who occupied that position for most of the season and missed out on Champions League Football.

Frank Lampard's Chelsea had a good season and finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place on the same number of points as Manchester United. Jose Mourinho and his Spurs team finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place and will play Europa League Football next season.

Wolves had another great season as they finished in 7<sup>th</sup> place and will play Europa League Football as long as Arsenal doesn't win the FA Cup.

Arsenal finished in a disappointing 8<sup>th</sup> place and will miss out on European Football if they fail to beat Chelsea in Saturday's FA Cup Final.

Sheffield United's Manager Chris Wilder must take huge credit for his team this season as they finished in 9<sup>th</sup> place just above Burnley who had a good end to the season.

Norwich City was the first team to get relegated. In a dramatic



last day of the season; Aston Villa escapes relegation with a 1-1 draw with West Ham. This result saw Watford relegated along with Bournemouth; despite the latter beating Everton 3-1.

With Bournemouth losing out to Villa by one point, I am sure they will revisit the match between Aston Villa and Sheffield United when Sheffield Oliver Norwood's free kick clearly crosses the line only for referee Michael Oliver's watch to malfunction and the goal wasn't awarded.



*The goal that never was.....did this cost Bournemouth their Premier League status?*

## INVITATION TO TENDER

### Sure SA Ltd - Vehicles for sale by tender

The public are advised that Sure SA Ltd has the following vehicles for sale by tender; on a 'sold as seen' basis:

- Short Wheel Base Landrover currently registered as 109
- Long Wheel Base Landrover currently registered as 2469
- Long Wheel Base Landrover currently registered as 1361

All of the above vehicles may be viewed at the Sure Complex, The Briars on Wednesday 5 August from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Tenders should be placed in a sealed envelope in the Tender Box located at our Customer Care Centre, Bishop's Rooms, Jamestown by 4 p.m. on Monday 10 August.

An information guide including reserve pricing is available from our Customer Care Centre, or by collection on the day of viewing.

Sure reserves the right to award the tender at its discretion; and is not committed to accepting the highest tender or any offer.



# Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

## SHFA Results; Fixtures and Stats

Match reports by Mike E Williams

**Saturday 25th July**

### Ten for Lakers

The first game on Saturday saw the Lakers breeze past the Saints. Lakers took a four goal lead into the first half, with goals from Jordan Yon, Selwyn Stroud, Cody Thomas and Tyler Brady. The second half saw Lakers add a further six more goals to their score, with Liam Yon scoring a brace, Jace Williams with one, man of the match Selwyn Stroud getting his second, and Cody Thomas picking up two, to complete his hat-trick. Saints only goal was scored by Korben Minto from a free-kick.

**Lakers 10 v 1 Saints**

### Birds flying high

The Wirebirds continue on their good run of form as they dismantled Crystal Rangers twenty nine-nil. Crystal Rangers once again showed up with just eight players and were no match for the Birds. Man of the match Shane Stroud score an eye watering eleven goals which sees him shoot to the top of the hot shots charts. Wirebirds were totally in control of the game; with ten different goal scorers. Alistair Buckley and Tyler Benjamin both scored five each, with Dylan Stevens, Sanjay Clingham, Cody Harris, Clayton Leo, Alex Osborne, Mario Green, and goalie Rick Thomas all scoring a single goal, with the other being an own goal.

**Wirebirds 29 v 0 Crystal Rangers**

**Sunday 26th July**

### Fantastic Four

Sunday's first game saw Axis produce some of their best football so far this season, as they outclassed the Harts four goals to nil. The first half saw Harts with majority of the play in the Axis half but were wasteful in front of goal. The second half came with Axis back-line putting in another inspiring performance, putting their bodies on the line. At the other end Axis where always a threat and was causing havoc amongst the Harts defence. A ball over the top of the Harts back-line saw man of the match Rhys Francis outpace the defenders and rifled the ball at Chris Owen's near post. The goal seems to breathe new life into the boys in pink and went on to score three more goals, with Joe making it two nil, and a classy second goal by Rhys Francis to make it three. Then to put the icing on the big pink cake, young Colby Richards ran in behind and wrapped the game up, making it four-nil.

**Axis 4 v 0 Harts**

### Share the points

The last game of the weekend was the main event, with league leaders Rovers taking on Bellboys. With both teams this season playing some really good football. The match started with Rovers settling on the ball first with most of the play coming down the right wing. Bellboys defended well, and started to impose themselves more in the game, pushing the Rovers back into their own half. Seventeen minutes into the

first half, a corner from the left was sent into the box by Kyle Shoesmith, with Ryan Benjamin unmarked at the far post, sending the ball back where it came from with a powerful header. The game was most played in midfield with shots at goal few in the half. But with six minutes remaining, a Rovers corner was delivered from the right by young Tristan Thomas that found its way to Dane Wade just inside the corner of the penalty box that he hammed into the ground going over the defender on the goal line. The second half saw both teams pushing for a winner but lack the quality needed to break down two solid back-lines. The most notable effort from man of the match Clayton Benjamin that Bellboys keeper had to push around the post. **Rovers 1 v 1 Bellboys**

### SHFA 2020 League Table



Week Seven

Place	Games	Wins	Draw	Lost	GF	GA	GD	Points
Rovers	6	5	1	0	21	2	19	16
Wirebirds	7	5	0	2	46	9	37	15
Bellboys	6	4	1	1	51	5	46	13
Harts	7	3	0	4	22	9	13	9
Lakers	5	2	1	2	15	11	4	7
Axis	6	2	1	3	13	12	1	7
Saints	6	1	0	5	12	46	-34	3
C Rangers	5	0	0	5	0	86	-86	0

### Football Fixtures

**Sun 2nd August** 1pm Saints v Axis  
Referee: Rovers  
3pm Crystal Rangers v Lakers  
Referee: Bellboys

The SHFA will be having a meeting for all committee members and Captains on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August at New Horizons starting at 6pm.

The purpose of the meeting is to address any transfers before the start of the second round; conduct the draw for the Knock out and district matches.

We will also be looking at plans for the upcoming Fundraising events that are schedule for the Bank Holiday weekend 28<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> August.

**Transfer Policy:** Each team is entitled to **one transfer out and one transfer in** and this must be agreed by both team captains. Team Captains must notify SHFA Secretary Mike E Williams prior to the transfer becoming official. Any players who are transferred are only eligible to play for their new team from the start of the second round of matches. Those teams who are yet to pay their entrance fee in full must pay the remainder by Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

# Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

## Junior Football; Futsal Results

The second week of Junior Football was played at a cold damp Francis Plain. The weather didn't dampen the spirits of the young players as they had a great time playing the sport they love.

7-11 years:

### Predators 9 v Ranglers 2

G/S Predators: Riley Yon 5; Edward H 2, Hugo Richards 1 & Lebron George 1

G/S Ranglers: Dirk Peters

POM: Riley Yon & Dirk Peters

### Yellow Devils 31 v Superstrikers 0

G/S Yellow Devils: Aden Thomas Stevens 9; Harry Winfield 10, Zac Francis 5, Ryan Stevens 5

Own goals 2

POM: Aden Thomas-Stevens & Joshua Crowie

11-16

### Gladiators 8 v Allstars 3

G/S Gladiators: Jaydee Caswell 3; Jacob Williams 1, Kenin Bargo 2, Taye Peters 1 & Renae Coleman 1

G/S Allstars: Tyreese Osborne 1 & Toure Osborne 2

POM: Tyreese Osborne & Kenin Bargo

### Rastabouts 8 v Galacticos 1

G/S Rastabouts: Taylon Phillips 4; Kieran Williams 1 Macoy Williams 2 & Stefan O'Dean 1

G/S Galacticos: Own goal 1

POM: Taylon Phillips & Tyrone Cansick



Yellow Devils



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## Fixtures:

### Saturday 1st Aug

#### Pitch 1

9.15am Primary 6-11

Predators v Super Strikers

Referee: Owen Richards

10am Primary 6-11

Blue Arrows v Ranglers

Referee: Nick Stevens

#### Pitch 2

9.15am 11-15

Allstars v Galacticos

Referee: Jay Scanes

10am 11-15

Fugees v Gladiators

Referee: Gareth Johnson



## TIP OF THE WEEK

Set your freezer temperature at -18c, and your fridge between +2c and +5c for greatest efficiency.

Defrost frozen food in your fridge. This helps to keep the fridge temperature down.

## THE ANCHOR CLOTHING SHOP

Situated at Kunjie Field, 1<sup>st</sup> building on your right. Car park is available.

Please note that the Anchor shop at Kunjie Field is open for business. The Anchor shop in Jamestown is still closed.

There are no SET opening hours as we continue to practise safe distancing. If you would like to visit the shop, please give us a call on the contact number below.

We have a new stock of Ladies underwear, men's underwear & T shirts, sandals & track shoes, children's pyjamas, warm clothing and shoes.

Come and have a browse!

Contact: Jean Fowler Tel: 24044

Happy Shopping!!!



# Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens



Hi there readers. Another week is almost done and dusted. Staff at New Horizons are patiently waiting for Sunday to come around to have a day off in 13 days on the trot

To finish where I left off last week, Friday was another busy evening at New Horizons which included some new faces. With the attraction being sport in the Leisure Park, the evening 'outside' started with basketball. Following basketball, all members were called inside to be reminded about the Code of Conduct at New Horizons and how to conduct themselves at the Centre, this resulted from 'word on the street' that bullying is becoming an issue within our young community. At New Horizons there is zero tolerance for this type of behaviour. We encourage members to speak out if they ever feel threatened or bullied in any way, they can come speak to a member of staff who will deal with the issue. Staff also touched on 'music with uncouth language' playing at the centre, as this was also mentioned to us. Members know we don't allow this type of profanity to be played at the centre. Of course they are teenagers who have their own playlists and they know if a song is playing with such lyrics, they will put it off/skip the song. It's not played deliberately and it is not something we allow at the centre. But we put the responsibility back to our youth to know right from wrong and know their surroundings and make the right decisions.

After the enlightened talk, football resumed 'outside' as well as the newly popular Box-Fit begun in the pavilion. Some members even dressed for the Box-Fit session.

Throughout the evening a questionnaire 'Cyber Q' was presented to the youth willing to take part. This was a multiple choice paper follow up from the Cyber Safety talk last week by the police. Questions and results are as follows:

## 1. What should you do if a stranger asks you to send a picture of yourself to them?

- a) Do not send any pictures and tell an adult straight away **90%**
- b) Send the picture if you think you know them **0%**
- c) Send the picture even though they're a stranger **0%**
- d) Ignore it **10%**

## 2. Who should you accept friend requests from online?

- a) Anyone **0%**
- b) A friend of a friend **3%**
- c) Someone you think you've met before **6%**
- d) Only from people you definitely know **91%**

## 3. If you post something on the internet, who may be able to see it?

- a) Only your friends **52%**
- b) Just yourself **0%**
- c) Anyone **29%**
- d) Only your family **19%**

## 4. Someone in your class has sent around an embarrassing photo of another classmate. What should you do with it?

- a) Show your teacher and say what has happened **100%**
- b) Forward the photo onto other people **0%**
- c) Save it to your phone so you can embarrass them again later **0%**
- d) Laugh at the photo with your friends **0%**

## 5. One of your friends has posted a video of you on the internet and you don't like it. You've asked them to take it down but they've said no because it's funny. What should you do?

- a) Keep asking your friend until they take it down **6%**
- b) Speak to an adult and say why you don't like it **85%**
- c) Leave it – you can't do anything else about it **3%**
- d) Post a video of them to get them back **6%**

## 6. Your friend tells you that she is talking to a boy online and is going to meet him at the weekend. What should you do?

- a) Volunteer to go with her **9%**
- b) Let her go on her own **12%**
- c) Tell an adult straight away **79%**
- d) Tell your other friends **0%**

## 7. A classmate tells you that somebody has been calling him mean names on an online game. What should you do?

- a) Tell your teacher or another adult **91%**
- b) Tell him to call the person mean names back **0%**
- c) Tell him to just ignore it and let it go away **3%**
- d) Tell him to stop playing games for a while **6%**

## 8. Who can you share your passwords with?

- a) Your friends **6%**
- b) Nobody **85%**
- c) Your family **9%**
- d) Your teacher **0%**

## 9. You've gone on a gaming website and it asks you to download a link before you play. What should you do?

- a) Show the link to an adult and ask them if it's safe **0%**
- b) Download it anyway **3%**
- c) Don't download it, it must be illegal **91%**
- d) Ask your friends what to do **6%**

## 10. You need to create a password for a website. What should you use??

- a) Your full name (e.g. jacksmith) **3%**
- b) Part of your name and a number (e.g. jack123) **12%**
- c) A random word/number/punctuation combination **37%**
- d) A nickname that your friends call you **22%**

# Armchair Supporters View

by Nick Stevens

## 11. What social media sites do you visit?

- a) Facebook **30%**
- b) Instagram **55%**
- c) Twitter **9%**
- d) LinkedIn **0%**
- f) None **4%**

## 12. Approximately how long do you spend on social media sites?

- a) 2-5 hours per week **79%**
- b) 6-12 hours per week **6%**
- c) 13-20 hours per week **12%**
- d) MORE **3%**

I have possibly taken up more than I am supposed to this week so I'll just mention here that on Monday we had 25 football enthusiasts who turned up for Football Training. Numbers are certainly growing which is encouraging to see. Right, thanks for taking the time to have a read of this week's *The Update*.



## CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS

The public is advised that Elected Members will be holding a round of constituency meetings during August.

These meetings are an opportunity for you to meet with your Councillors and raise any issues you might have. You are encouraged to attend the meeting in your district.

Constituency meetings will take place at 7pm on the following dates and times:

Venue	Date
St Michael's Church, Rupert's	Monday, 10 August
Kingshurst Community Centre	Tuesday, 11 August
Harford Community Centre	Wednesday, 12 August
Sandy Bay Community Centre	Thursday, 13 August
Blue Hill Community Centre	Monday, 17 August
Jamestown Community Centre	Tuesday, 18 August
St Mary's Church, The Briars	Tuesday, 18 August
Silver Hill Bar, Levelwood	Wednesday, 19 August
Half Tree Hollow CC	Thursday, 20 August

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## Golf Report for Sunday 26th July 2020

Last Sunday's weather conditions were less than ideal for golf. However, the 14 golfers who showed up were determined to have their round. It helps to have members who can look out the window and give a forecast which turned out to be fairly accurate. At 12:00 the fog began to clear. Albeit slowly. At 12:20 the golfers were at their respective tee boxes and someone blew the horn. The game was on. At 16:15 after 18 holes of on and off light rain it was game over. Four players scored in the sixties. Not too bad. Top on the leaderboard with the lowest gross score of the day playing off 3 handicap was Mr Scott Crowie with net 68. Perhaps his new three-wheel trolley helped him save his energy for those great shots compared to last competition where he was carrying his bag. Scott had a one-shot lead with 3 gentlemen tied for second. Mr Tony Green, Mr Peter Johnson and Mr Larry Legg all had net 69. On a countback Mr Larry Legg took second prize and was also the only two ball pool winner. The prizes were presented by the Capt Bramwell Bushuru. Congratulations to the winners.

The Half Yearly General Meeting got underway after presentation of the monthly medal prizes. 22 members formed the required quorum. 4 members were awarded honorary memberships. They are; Mr Arnold Green, Mrs Freda Green, Mr Edgar Crowie and Mr Gerald George. The position of entertainments manager which was previously left vacant following Mr Keith Benjamins resignation was filled. Mr Keith Joshua (KJ) was elected unopposed. Minutes of the meeting will be emailed to members. Congratulations to our newly awarded honorary members and to Mr KJ on his election to the committee.

The first competition of the new month will be 18-hole Stableford competition. Tee off 12:00. Shotgun start. For more pictures and information follow us on Facebook @shgc.org.sh We wish you all a great weekend .....

**Contributed by: SHGC**



**Top: HYGM Hon Members Award**



**Left: MM July Winners**



# Your Opinion Counts

**Dear Editor,**

The Equality & Human Rights Commission (EHRC) wish to clear up any misunderstanding resulting from the article in the Independent newspaper of 24<sup>th</sup> July 2020.

The article headed "The Equality & Human Rights Commission want to join the quest for openness and transparency" was an opinion piece written by the editor, not the EHRC and as such did not necessarily reflect the views or tone of the Commission or its staff. Furthermore the EHRC did not give permission for its logo to be displayed with this article. This matter has now been raised with the Editor of the publication concerned.

The Commission would like to thank all media outlets and welcomes their endeavours to promote transparency and free speech on island and look forward to working with you all in the future.

**Yours sincerely,  
The Equality & Human Rights Commission**



***This matter has been dealt with, in full, in the Editorial on page 4. Ed***

## **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE MEETING MONDAY, 3 AUGUST 2020**

The following is a public announcement from the St Helena Public Accounts Committee:

A formal session of the St Helena Public Accounts Committee (PAC) will take place at 9am in the Council Chamber on Monday, 3 August 2020.

The programme of business includes:

- St Helena Government 2018/19 Financial Statements and Audit Management Letter
- St Helena Currency Fund 2018/19 Financial Statements
- Procurement of the Fuel Management Contractor - Recall

Members of the public and interested persons are invited to attend.

The meeting will be broadcast live via SAMS Radio 1.

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## **VACANCY FOR STAFF NURSE – GENERAL HOSPITAL**

The closing date for the Staff Nurse vacancy in the General Hospital of the Health Directorate has been extended to Monday, 10 August, 2020.

Please see Public Notice dated 08 July 2020 advertised in the 'Independent' and 'Sentinel' on Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July respectively for details and terms and conditions of this post.

Application forms should be submitted to Brenda Thomas, Human Resources Officer, Health Directorate or by email: [brenda.thomas@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:brenda.thomas@sainthelena.gov.sh) by Monday, 10 August 2020.

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## **DRAFT COMMUNICATIONS NET- WORKS AND SERVICES POLICY**

### **PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION – CHANGE OF TIME**

The public information session to discuss the draft Communications Networks and Services Policy scheduled to take place at the Museum, Jamestown, on Tuesday, 4 August 2020, will now take place at 7pm and not 5.30pm as previously announced. All are invited to attend.

The draft Policy and consultation questions are available online at: [www.sainthelena.gov.sh/government/public-consultation/](http://www.sainthelena.gov.sh/government/public-consultation/) If you would like to respond to this consultation, please respond through our online survey via: [https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Draft\\_Communication\\_Policy\\_Consultation](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Draft_Communication_Policy_Consultation) by email to Chief Economist, Nicole Shamier, via: [nicole.shamier@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:nicole.shamier@sainthelena.gov.sh) or by phone on (+290 22470) by no later than Monday, 7 September 2020.

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## GARETH DRABBLE AWARDED CHEVENING SCHOLARSHIP



Gareth Drabble of Levelwood has been awarded a Foreign & Commonwealth Office Chevening Scholarship. Gareth will undertake a year-long Master's Degree in Digital Technologies, Communication and Education at the University of Manchester, commencing in October this year.

Gareth said:

*"Being the recipient of a Chevening Scholarship is an amazing opportunity to better myself and is a prestigious and internationally recognised award. I am both thrilled and honoured to have been chosen for this award amongst the many*

*thousands of other applicants around the world. By God's grace I was given this opportunity and by His grace I was chosen, I am eternally grateful.*

*"I would also like to recognise and thank my wife and family, as well as the Education & Employment Directorate who have supported me throughout the application process and have given me their blessing in pursuing this award; I hope to make them and the whole of St Helena proud."*

Governor Dr Philip Rushbrook added:

*"We are very proud of Gareth for securing a Chevening Scholarship. The FCO's Chevening Scholarship Awards Programme is a highly prestigious programme where Gareth will meet and work with other scholars from across the world during his period of postgraduate study. Gareth's chosen field of study in Digital Technologies is an excellent choice, particularly relating to St Helena's future digital strategy. I wish Gareth all the best in his studies and look forward to hearing about his experiences in a year's time when he returns to the Island."*

Gareth is currently the Graduate Instructor at Prince Andrew School, where he also teaches Information, Communication and Technology, as well as Music lessons.

Following his course, Gareth hopes to return to the Island after the delivery of the Equiano cable and associated high speed internet to St Helena. In local educational settings, the cable will allow students unlimited, full access to a plethora of online learning resources and tools which.

Gareth explained:

*"Undergoing the course I have chosen, I plan to fully utilise the cable's capabilities in educating students at Prince Andrew School upon my return, by identifying and implementing the best tools and resources to greatly enhance their learning experience."*

Congratulations are extended to Gareth from all on St Helena.



### VACANCIES FOR TWO ASSISTANT AUDITORS ON 12 MONTH FIXED TERM CONTRACTS Salary range £8,067 to £9,904 per annum

Audit St Helena is seeking to recruit two assistant auditors to join their audit team.

These assistant auditors will assist with financial and performance audits across the public sector and will support other business processes.

Prospective candidates are required to have good GCSE grades in English and Mathematics, and be prepared to study for the ACCA Foundations in Accountancy programme.

Key skills for this position include efficiency in business processes, good communication skills, and an aptitude for figures. IT proficiency including Excel, Word and Outlook is also essential.

These are career entry positions and Prince Andrew School apprentices are welcomed to apply for these posts.

The job profile and application forms are available by calling 22111 or e-mailing [cassidy.beard@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:cassidy.beard@sainthelena.gov.sh)

Applications should be submitted by hand or by e-mail to the Audit St Helena, First Floor, New Porteous House, Jamestown no later than 4pm on Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> of August 2020.



The Chevening Scholarship Awards Programme is aimed at those with outstanding leadership potential who want to make a positive change within their country. Applications for the next round of Chevening Scholarship Awards will open from 3 September to 3 November 2020 for studies to commence in the UK in September/October 2021.

If you are interested in finding out more about the Chevening Scholarship Programme, please visit: [www.chevening.org](http://www.chevening.org) or speak to Kerry Lane, Chevening Officer, in the Governor's Office, on tel: 22308.



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• Number of Projects which will be the strategic focus of the Economic Development Investment Programme approved by Executive Council

• Executive Council has also agreed a number of smaller Micro Projects for 2020/21

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT PROGRAMME

### UPDATE

A number of Projects which will be the strategic focus of the Economic Development Investment Programme (EDIP) over the next two years (2020/21 – 2021/22) have recently been approved by Executive Council.

These Projects are:

- Rupert's Development
- Rehabilitation of Field Road and Side Path Road
- Water Security
- Increased Agricultural Production
- Jamestown Development
- Sustainable Sewerage Facility.

This approval does not guarantee release of funding but it ensures that the Projects proposed are aligned with the Island's wider strategic goals and the resources aligned accordingly.

The EDIP team is busy developing designs and relevant costings which will inform the detailed business cases that will determine the most operationally and cost effective option for implementing the Projects. The individual business cases will also be subject to political approval before the Projects move into the implementation phase.

In addition to the main EDIP Projects, Executive Council has also agreed a number of smaller Micro Projects, which can be implemented relatively quickly with a low total cost and which are not subject to detailed business cases. The Micro Projects budget is intended to support Projects that may not have easily quantifiable benefits but do directly support strategic economic development goals or have the potential to improve future infrastructure investments.

The Micro Projects for 2020/21 include:

- Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU)
- Longwood Walkway
- Covered way at St Paul's Primary School
- Refurbishment of public toilets at Longwood and Levelwood
- Covered way over the emergency entrance at the General Hospital.

As these Micro Projects have already received political approval to proceed, the necessary designs are being prepared with development permissions being sought. It is envisaged that procurement of contractors will commence within the next two months for the remainder of these Projects.

The Judicial Relocation Phase 1 Project, approved in December 2019, is currently in the construction phase and it is expected that procurement of a contractor for the Phase 2 works will commence in September 2020.

The public will be aware through separate announcements that that Rockfall Protection Project, which commenced in January 2020, was completed earlier this month.

**SHG, 30 July 2020**

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## Dogs 20 Commandments

1. I should be anything from 10- 15 years old. It could even be older. Please remember this before you decide to make me part of your family.
2. Give me time to learn to understand exactly what it is you expect from me.
3. Please trust me because it is absolutely essential for my well being.
4. Don't be mad at me for too long, I dug the holes because I am frustrated.
5. Don't lock me up alone as punishment because then I'll probably break down the place.
6. Please don't tie me up because then I get aggressive (because you don't trust me) and I can't help protect you from invaders.
7. You have your job, your friends, hobbies and relaxation. I have just you. You are my everything and if you are not with me, then I am sad.
8. Sometimes talk to me. Even if I don't understand the words, I understand your voice tone and it's reassurance.
9. Please don't shout at me because then it sounds to me like another dog that is challenging me or inviting me to join a hunt that can become dangerous to whoever the prey is.
10. Just remember that regardless of how you treat me, I never forget it.
11. Please don't kick or hit me, I can't kick back and hit but I can scratch and bite, and I really don't want to do it.
12. Before you accuse me of being lazy, eating too much and being fat and not wanting to give my cooperation, ask yourself if I get the right food and right amounts. Do you give me left over (fat making) food from the table, or do I get healthy dog food specifically intended to keep me healthy, and my weight in place.
13. Make sure I always have clean, fresh water to drink (especially when it is hot.)
14. We love walking and it's our way to socialise. Every tree or lamp post along the road is like another newspaper for us. There I can smell and instantly know who was there, their size, gender and whether it is friend or foe. Walk me regularly so that I can get healthy exercise, that will prevent me from getting fat and clumsy, and will also refrain me from getting lonely and missing out on the latest news from around the neighbourhood.
15. Please teach the children from an early age to treat me with respect, then I will protect them with my life.
16. Fleas, ticks and other pests bite, hurt and make me sick. Check my fur regularly, and make sure I'm in good condition....and oh yes I love being brushed often.
17. I don't like fireworks, the noise is very sensitive to my ears, and it sounds a lot louder than it does to you. I do not want to panic or hurt myself from jumping over a fence, or run in front of a car, or get lost. Please protect me against this and I will protect you.
18. Get to know my bark, you will soon notice when I call you, warn you, or when I just want to play.
19. Remember that one of my dog years is about seven of your human years, so when I start walking slower, struggling to eat or laying down a lot during the day, take me to the vet so they can know whether or not I may have a heart pain, arthritis, or other problems. I cannot tell you if I am in pain please look after me nicely when I get old-you will also get old one day.
- 20....And if it is necessary for me to be relieved of my pain with an injection, please be with me and hold my paw, on this last trip of mine. Don't say you can't do it because it is too sad. Remember that everything is easier for me when you are around and after all we walked the road together...I love you.

Always remember this.

**Submitted by Paul Laban**



### Thank you, and bye for now!

Thank you to everyone that's been part of our wonderful journey here on St Helena; thank you for all the walks and swims, the boat trips, all the music, shows and parades, for the late nights and early mornings, all the laughter and smiles - we will miss you all!

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