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ST HELENA BUTTERFLY MONITORING SCHEME

Coordinated by Butterfly Conservation Europe & UK Centre of Ecology and Hydrology

For all those with an interest in nature and being outdoors, we are delighted to announce the launch of the Butterfly Monitoring Scheme for St Helena. Thanks to support from the Centre of Ecology and Hydrology St. Helena is the first UK Overseas Territory to introduce the European Butterfly Monitoring Scheme.

The Butterfly Monitoring Scheme gives everyone the opportunity to record butterflies, at any time and anywhere, using simple, yet scientific methods, that will increase our knowledge about the island's butterfly populations.

This can be done using the free app Butterfly Count which can be downloaded at the Google Play Store or Apple Store. Butterfly Count is an easy-to-use, specially developed app that records your track while you count butterflies for 15 minutes. As the timer counts down you can take pictures and identify species. For each species, you can record the number of individuals seen, their life stage, and any comments. Each time you add a new record, the app will save the coordinates of every individual. The more records, the more we can learn about St Helena's butterflies, like where and when different species are commonly seen and follow any patterns, for example in presence, that might appear over time. If you would like further information about how to use the App, download it, or would like a demonstration, please contact selene.gough@sainthelena.gov.sh. For those who do not use a phone, don't worry, we also have paper-based recording forms and guidance notes. These are available at the Visitor Information Centre, National Trust, Museum and Jamestown Library.

Did you know?
Butterflies taste buds are mainly focused on their feet

Did you know?
St Helena has 4 different species of butterfly

Interested in learning more? Join the Butterfly Monitoring Scheme and increase local knowledge!



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For 195 years George Canning was the official record holder for being the British prime minister for the shortest period. He held office from 12th April 1827 – 8th August 1827, 119 days.

Liz Truss has broken that record with convincing speed; she managed to move in to 10 Downing Street on 6th September 2022 and move out on 20th October 2022, just 44 days. People are left wondering if she even had time to wash all her dirty laundry before leaving.

The Verdict – from Liz Truss herself

“I’m a fighter not a quitter” During Prime Minister’s questions Wednesday 19th October

The Verdict – from European Leaders

“I hope I can recall how many British PMs I’ve survived,” Luxembourg Prime Minister, who’s been in power a decade.

“I look forward to who my new colleague will be — I think it will be number five,” the Dutch Prime Minister who has lasted over a decade.

Spanish Prime Minister. **“I think it’s the end of an approach which in my opinion was an old-fashioned approach of how to respond to this economic crisis, which is lowering all taxes and cutting the welfare state.”**

French President Emmanuel Macron — who only recently smoothed things over with Truss after a cross-Channel spat said it was **important that Britain found “political stability” as soon as possible**

The Verdict – from Her Constituents

“I don’t agree with Tory policy and I think Liz Truss has made a complete mess of everything, even for a Tory,”

“She couldn’t even sort out an argument between stall holders and the town council. If she couldn’t sort that out, how was she going to sort out the whole country?”

“She’s always been a bit of a ‘yes’ person in the background

and climbed her way up that way, but actually [she] didn’t have the backbone to carry it forward.”

“We never saw her here,” he says. **“She promised she would change the railway station in Downham Market but we never saw anything.”**

“Anyone with any sense knew you couldn’t be spending more when you don’t have money.”

“I feel like she just did anything for power, I think she moved politically so much on such big viewpoints. She tried to play that she was a strong powerful character with ideals, but she didn’t.”

“She was not up to the job as prime minister but she was good at the other things she’s done,” Mr Goddard says. **“But she was not strong enough to be prime minister.”**

There is one occasion when a leading British politician attempted to form a government which lasted only two days. It was called the Bath–Granville ministry, better known as the “short-lived” ministry or insultingly as the “Silly Little Ministry” that existed from 10th to 12th February 1746. The attempt to form a government collapsed before all the ministers were appointed.

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Editorial

This week's *Independent* has a few pieces relating to health. This is not a planned thing, it's just that news items about health have come up this week more than most. Health is a subject which has many different parts to it. We cover improvements to the health service when you need to get hospital treatment and, more important, how to improve your own health so you don't need to have a lie down on the operating table.

A very important part of the body which needs looking after is the brain. It needs food, it needs rest (especially sleep) and it also needs to be used for the right things at the right time. So many jobs involve sitting at a desk all day working on a computer. For many people this means constant concentration. Tasks needing long periods of intense concentration cause a build-up of a potentially toxic chemical called glutamate in the brain. The brain needs glutamate but only in the right quantity. During sleep the brain gets rid of this chemical but the end of the day is a bad time to make decisions because the brain is tired, not functioning properly and is looking for the easiest and quickest way out of everything. That's what they say and it sound right to me. So, at the end of the day, if someone comes to you asking for a quick decision on something, you have to say "sorry pal, I need to reduce my glutamate first."

Seriously though, it is known that after a long day in court a judge is more likely to deny parole or some part of a judgement can be affected by too much glutamate – whatever that is. So be more sympathetic if a judge decides to bang his gavel on the wooden block at some point in mid-afternoon and announce the court is adjourned. The counsel for the defence should encourage this; His Honour will be in a better frame of mind the next morning. In fact, stress of any kind can cause glutamate to build up in the brain. The counsel for the defence could try saying too much glutamate in the brain led to too much alcohol in the blood in mitigation for misdemeanours of a client. How often do you hear it said by someone who has had a pig of day "I need a drink"? Doctors are also more likely to prescribe unnecessary antibiotics at the end of a tiring clinical session. Brain specialists recommend that doctors would benefit from a routine of 2 hours work and 30 minutes break. I wonder if too much glutamate in the brain is something the UK prime minister suffers from?

A report yesterday made me think of our fibre cable and high speed digital future. It read, "A damaged subsea cable has cut off communication to Shetland completely. Police have said they are working to fix the complete outage on the island, affecting its connection to the mainland, and they have declared the situation a major incident. Phones and internet are not currently usable on the island. Officers are patrolling to try to reassure those living there. Repairs to another cable linking Shetland and Faroe are also ongoing after this cable was damaged last week."

Immediately you wonder if that might happen here and how much disruption it would cause us. I'm mystified that the report says "Police have said they are working to fix the complete outage on the island". That is taking working in the community much too far. That is a report from a national newspaper; their reporter obviously doesn't have a clue. The local Shetland News says British Telecom engineers are working on the problems and the local MP said the outage could last two days. The suspected cause is the cable "being dredged up" which means the whole problem was caused by inadequate briefing or inexcusable carelessness. Neither of those oversights ever happens here so we are alright.

Regarding Spike's letter in today's *Independent*, I think the letter raises concerns many people have. I've been looking through what I have filed on my computer for Maestro so far. I can't find any reference to a £1.1million cost to build the fibre network. I thought I had heard the figure mentioned before, but no. There are a few technology businesses with 'maestro' in the name; maybe that is where the confusion starts. Or maybe the figure comes from Alistair Beak, the Sure CEO. Discussions with the usual 'authoritative sources' in SHG indicate the number is not realistic. The announcement from SHG does include, "The anticipated timeframe for the Design, Build and Transfer of the Fibre Network will take a year to complete and is anticipated to be ready by the end of 2023." 'Anticipated' is the key word there.

It was also mentioned in discussions that Maestro will be back again very soon to continue the preparatory work on the new fibre network for the island. One possibility is the network will include microwave antennae to complete the link to customers in the most remote areas. One of the *Independent's* correspondents said Saints should compare prices with other islands and not with the prices paid in the UK for high-speed broadband. If you do that, £50 a month for unlimited use at a speed of 30 or even 20 Mbps is OK. But, Beak was saying what he would charge if he was in a position to charge it. He isn't, so it is just irrelevant gossip – ending with, 'he would say that wouldn't he'.

And finally, for people in the tourism business, looking ahead to the 2023 season and wondering what it might bring, I've copied the bullet points from a report issued this week by the Economist Intelligence Unit (a usually reliable source) on the overall global outlook for next year,

Tourism outlook 2023 - Turbulence in the travel industry

1. Global tourism arrivals will rise by 30% in 2023, following 60% growth in 2022, but they will still not return to pre-pandemic levels.
2. The economic downturn, sanctions on Russia and, above all, China's zero-covid strategy will be among the fac-



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tors weighing on the industry.

3. Hotels, restaurants and airports will struggle to cope with labour shortages, wage demands, and high food and energy prices.

4. Even so, international airlines are expected to return to profitability, benefiting from continued pent up demand.

5. The impact of climate change on the industry will become more apparent, with high temperatures, water shortages and floods forcing tourism destinations to take action. Of course what happens in the rest of the world does not

necessarily happen here. We have not seen anything like a 60% growth in tourism this year, but if global tourism reduces by half in 2023 compared to this year it may indicate extra effort is needed to pull some of them here. The struggle with high prices certainly rings true but happily, high temperatures, water shortages and floods are something we do not expect to have to cope with.

**Have a warm, dry, stress-free weekend
Vince**

Today – Johnny Isaac’s Road Builders Will Be Halfway There

Today Side Path should have the top concrete surface laid over half the length of the route from the Brow to Briars Junction. Johnny Isaac told the *Independent* on Monday that if the schedule goes according to plan his road builders will be starting the homeward run in Monday. SHG has said previously they are confident Side Path will be completed by Christmas.

Electricity Consumption by SHG on an Upward Trend

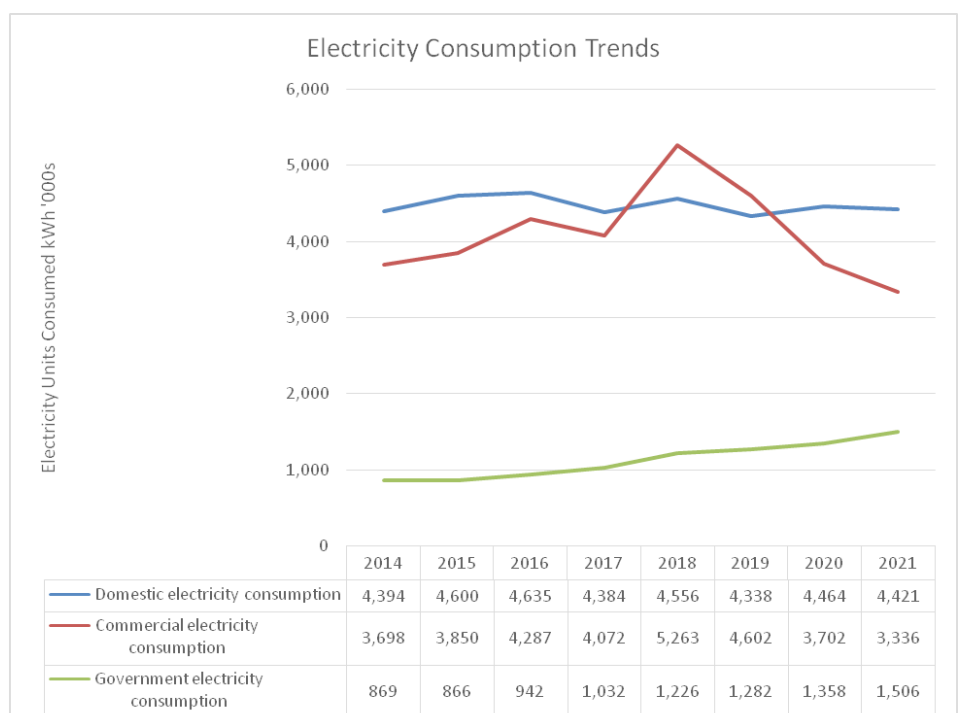
Data published by the government statistics office show the use of electricity by domestic users has hardly changed since Connect St Helena was formed in 2013-14. The latest published figures are for 2021. The amount of electricity used in a year in domestic households has increased by just 27 MWh (27,000 kWh) over the eight years shown on the graph – from 4,394 MWh to 4,421 MWh.

Commercial use of electricity has been on a downward trend since 2018. After reaching a peak at 5,263 MWh in 2018 the latest figure for 2021 shows an annual consumption by commercial users of 3,336 MWh which is 362 MWh

less than in 2014; Connect’s first full year of operation. Commercial demand for electricity has reduced by 37% since the peak in 2018. Some of the reduction will be businesses deciding to invest in their own photovoltaic roof panels and the closure of the SH Fisheries Corporation will have made a significant dent in (wasted) electricity demand. Measures taken to use electricity more efficiently will also be part of it. But that does not appear to be the whole story. There must surely be other reasons to account for such a large decrease in electricity demand by businesses.

While the government is the smallest of the three categories used in the data it is the only category which shows a big increase in the use of electricity. Over the eight years, SHG has increased its demand for electricity by 73%. From consuming 869 MWh in 2014 demand has grown every year and stood at 1,506 MWh for 2021. The reason for this is not immediately obvious. There has been no known significant increase in power hungry government facilities during recent years; in fact SHG have talked often about reducing their carbon footprint. The government’s own data shows exactly the opposite is happening; every year a bigger pair of boots are used to leave a bigger carbon footprint.

This Time, a Good News Graph



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The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has come up with some grim warnings after working through the health data held in St Helena. For people who are 50 years old or around that age it is likely another ten years of healthy living lies ahead before diabetes, high blood pressure, or something worse means life becomes restricted and a lot less fun. After that it is possible life could go on for about another twenty years before the body decides it's had enough. This is not a pleasant story, but that is what is happening now. It is what has been happening for some time and this situation will continue unless there are plenty of changes.

These figures have little or nothing to do with which doctor you see, how long you have to wait for an appointment or what medicine is prescribed for you. It is all to do with the food we eat, how much food we eat, how much exercise we take, smoking and drinking too much alcohol. Sub-standard working and housing conditions can play a part in bringing on an early onset of poor health. Other factors include living far away from the usual necessary amenities, living on a low income, having a disability or spending a few years in prison.

All of this unwelcome but not completely unexpected news was set out on Monday night when the team from the UKHSA presented their findings. The UKHSA provide, among other things, "intellectual, scientific and operational leadership at national and local level, as well as on the global stage, to make the nation's health secure." That's what the UK Gov-

ernment website says. The team who are visiting St Helena can be described as providing and confirming information on various health matters, using new techniques to work out what the priorities should be and advising on how best to approach the biggest health challenges facing Saints.

The UKHSA does have a section which focuses on supporting the Overseas Territories and is familiar with the problems faced by small populations and remote islands with limited resources.

Martin Henry opened the presentation by going through the headline figures and key findings from the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JNSA). He did that with a softer touch than used in the introduction to this report. When Martin finished, the questions started and the UKHSA team responded to them.

The summary of the St Helena Joints Strategic Needs Assessment included a section called Strengths and Assets. It is reproduced here to balance out the grim news at the beginning of this report.

Strengths and assets

The people of St Helena are an important positive resource for health and wellbeing. Family and community networks provide practical support, social support and relationships,



**Martin Henry Minister for Health with the UKHSA team –
from left to right, Ian Cumming, Ian Walker and Natalie Wright**

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and are routes for sharing ideas, news and achievements. Members of the community also run clubs, groups, events and classes, often using a network of community centres.

Work in the last 3 years to develop the measures in the World Health Organisation's Framework Convention on Tobacco Control on St Helena is award-winning. Implementation of the Control of Tobacco and Related Products Ordinance and a new stop smoking support service will begin in 2022.

St Helena began a 'whole systems approach to obesity' project in October 2021. A working group, supported by UK experts, are leading workshops with a group of island stakeholders to understand the drivers of obesity and identify actions that should be taken to reduce overweight.

It is not possible to list every person and organisation on St Helena who are working to improve the conditions in which people live and work and therefore improve health. These are a few of highlights described by people interviewed for the JSNA which link to some of the main areas of need:-

1. The Equality and Human Rights Commission, the Labour Regulatory Authority and St Helena Government working on improving working conditions
2. St Helena's Active Participation in Enterprise (SHAPE) providing training opportunities for people with disabilities and fighting social exclusion
3. Increasing targets and achievements in Education
4. The Housing Department has made a health a criteria in all planning decisions and has undertaken a number of adaptations to increase accessibility
5. The health and social care system has developed new services in the last few years to meet important areas of need. A few highlighted developments are:-
6. Work by the Dental Hygienist explaining dental plaque scores and raising awareness of dental health
7. School nurses providing wellbeing and sexual health support in school so it is easier for young people to access
8. On-island chemotherapy so some patients with cancer can receive treatment at home
9. Community Care Officers to help vulnerable adults cope at home
10. Office of the Public Guardian to protect adults who do not have the mental capacity to make decisions for themselves
11. Delivery of COVID-19 vaccines to >95% of eligible people and developing laboratory testing processes for COVID-19

The summary report from the UKHSA states the next stage is to have consultation on the findings of the JSNA. Most of that discussion will focus on the recommendations in the report; they are divided into sections:-

Give every child the best start in life

1. Give children less sugar and provide balanced food for growth and a healthy weight
2. Help children be physically active
3. Prevent tooth decay
4. Prevent violence against women and children to provide a safe home environment
5. Protect children from the harmful effects of cigarette smoke

Help people stay well for longer

1. Keep people physically active
2. Reduce adult obesity and boost the positive effects of diet on health
3. Maximise opportunities to detect and treat diseases early to improve outcomes
4. Proactively manage chronic diseases, beginning with high blood pressure
5. Support people to quit smoking and reduce numbers of new smokers
6. Help people manage sources of stress

Give the most vulnerable equal access to health and care

1. Listen to the most vulnerable to help identify and solve barriers to access
2. Prevent cost being a barrier to people engaging with preventive and routine healthcare
3. Ensure people in prison have access to healthcare
4. Take services to people with greatest difficulty reaching the hospital
5. Support people with limited mobility to be mobile, physically and socially active

Further recommendations for development or research

1. Develop and build on strategies to protect, retain, reward and develop the health and social care workforce
2. Develop information systems that support evidence-based planning and quality healthcare
3. Research on remote clinical support

There is much more in the Summary report which is 13 pages of information, advice and recommendations. It is not long-winded; it is straight to the point and written in language we all understand. It is well worth reading.

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207 years ago this week Napoleon was starting to settle into accommodation made available to him by the Balcombe family at the Briars. 7 years ago this month the French Government, the St Helena Government and the Fondation Napoléon signed contracts which meant *Saint Helena Napoleonic Heritage Ltd* was formed and could start to achieve its aims.

On Monday, Saint Helena Napoleonic Heritage Ltd (SHNH) held a presentation with an exhibition to mark the achievements so far made and the future plans of SHNH which is constituted with charitable status. Dax Richards, the representative on the SHNH for the St Helena Government made the opening speech. He said, "The charity has an important role to play in St Helena's development, as well as securing a legacy, the Napoleonic heritage is a significant part of the Island's tourism product with virtually all visitors to the Island visiting at least one of the three sites managed and maintained through the charity. These sites will continue to be of significant importance as the island seeks to implement the Tourism Recovery Strategy."

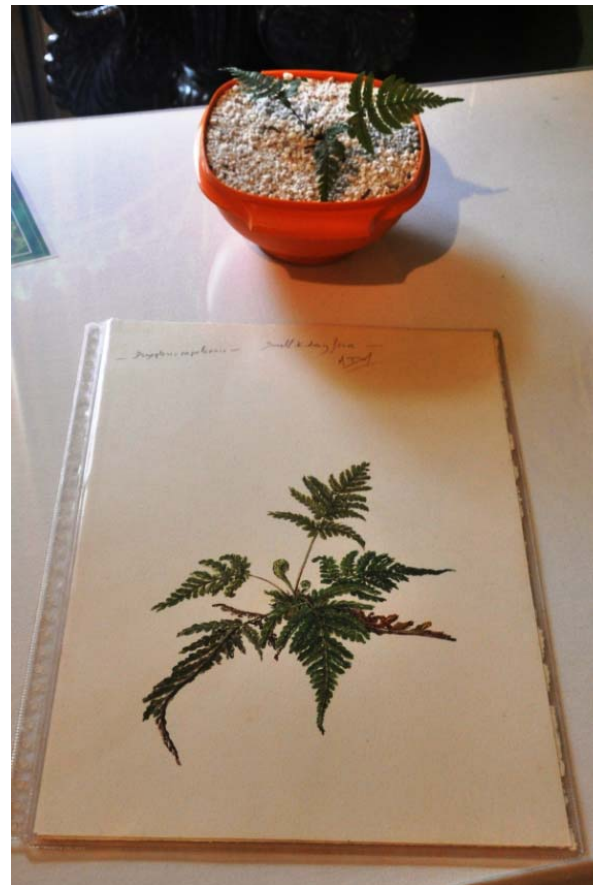
Dax explained, "The charity is financed through contributions from all three organisations, the (French) Ministry of Foreign Affairs is the largest funder, for last year over £150,000 was made available to support the charity. The St Helena Government contributes around £10,000 per annum and is also responsible for financing the security arrangements at all of the properties. The Fondation Napoleon raises funds for a number of key projects some of which you will hear more about later. In addition, the fees generated at the properties allow the properties and its contents to be well maintained and managed in a sustainable manner. You only have to look around this fantastic room today and the wider grounds to see the excellent work that this done by the experienced and professional team we have working for the charity."



Dax Richards making the opening speech

Pamela Young, is the local representative for the Fondation Napoléon, a large and thriving research and funding organisation based in Paris. It was the Fondation Napoléon which organised a very successful public appeal for funds to renovate the general's quarters which is immediately behind Longwood House. Monday's presentation and exhibition was

held in one of impressive rooms in the general's quarters. Pamela represents Pierre Branda, director of the Fondation Napoléon's heritage department who is the board member for Fondation Napoléon. She outlined some of the future plans to enhance the French properties in St Helena. The courtyard at Longwood House is to become a covered area so the space can be used for a variety of outside events as well as providing shelter for visitors from either the sun or rain. Disabled access to Napoleon's Tomb is also planned in conjunction with SHG's Environment Directorate; the disabled access route partially includes land belonging to SHG. Also at the Tomb it is planned to rejuvenate the planting scheme using endemics. Cabbage trees are already thriving there and more will follow. Johnny Isaac's team were responsible for the renovation of the general's quarters and will be at work at Longwood House again to cover the courtyard. They will also be replacing the roof the Longwood House with the materials used at the time Napoleon was living there. This will include welsh slate because that was the roofing material on the roof in Napoleon's time. Roofing companies all over the world recommend genuine Welsh slate as the best slate. The strength and lasting quality of Welsh slate make it one of (if not the best) slate in the world. The price of the slate equals its reputation but Saint Helena Napoleonic Heritage will not compromise on authenticity.



SHG Conservation had their own display at Logwood House. The Napoleon Fern (a St Helena endemic) was the main exhibit.

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Michel Martineau was the third and last to speak. He was introduced as the one to 'fill in the gaps' left after the previous speakers had finished. Michel has been Administrator of the French properties since 1987 and the French honorary Consul since 1990. Michel took over from his father, Gilbert Martineau who was honorary consul and curator of the French properties from 1956 to 1987. Gilbert continued to live in Longwood House for most of the rest of his life. He died in 1995 at La Rochelle, a French coastal town looking out onto the Bay of Biscay.

Michel and his father before him have spent 66 years, so far, extending and improving the collection of French Napoleonic artefacts at Longwood House and the Briars Pavilion. The collection is now extensive but, Michel says, since the Napoleon bicentenary last year the market price for anything associated with Napoleon has significantly increased in price. If something is up for auction which is associated with Napoleon and his 6 years in St Helena the price has increased even more significantly. Michel said the current prices mean adding to the collections at the French properties is 'beyond his purse' but this does not mean additions to the collections have stopped. Michel mentioned Jean-Paul Mayeux who visited Longwood House a few years ago. Since his visit Jean-Paul has been buying both interesting and valuable items to add to the collections at the French properties. His purchases have been sent to St Helena every-so-often and so far Jean-Paul contributions are valued at about £500,000.



A print of Napoleon's Tomb from 1822, drawn by Emeric Essex Vidal for the Marchioness of Downshire. Vidal was an English watercolourist and naval officer. His opportunities for travel, his curiosity about local customs and human types, and his eye for the picturesque, led him to make paintings which are now historical resources. This print is an excellent example of Vidal's work and contributes to exceptional quality of the French properties collection.

Michel Martineau went on to thank several people for their invaluable help in getting the French properties to the improved

state now enjoyed and for the continuing help with further planned improvements.



Cristen Yon has built up a fine reputation for restoring a wide range of valuable and historic furniture.



Vanessa says she has known Michel since he was 18. She will have a big input into transforming the gardens at Napoleon's tomb to endemic St Helena flora.

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Johnny Isaac. His team has completed extensive renovations at Longwood House and will be back to complete some more when Side Path is finished.



Just some of the small team looking after the French properties, employed by Saint Helena Napoleonic Heritage.

Saint Helena Napoleonic Heritage

Michel Martineau obviously knew that the work started by his father, which Michel continued and extended, could not go on forever. He also knew that entrusting such a globally important and valuable legacy to another individual was not a satisfactory prospect. As Michel explained at Monday's presentation, if left to one person it can never be sure that the person will continue to preserve and improve what has been established over more than half a century.

A firm and enduring foundation for the French properties had to be established. With Napoleon's bicentenary just a few years away Michel started the process of pulling together permanent institutions with longstanding reputations for understanding the importance of maintaining a high quality and high profile association with Napoleon and his last years in St Helena. With this in mind, the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the St Helena Government and the Fondation Napoléon were brought together to discuss how a permanent and enduring organisation should be formed to ensure the established traditions and culture for preserving this part of St Helena's history continues. Saint Helena Napoleonic Heritage Ltd was the agreed way forward and over the first seven years of its existence the SHNH has proved to be the right kind of organisation to take over from Martineau and Son.

British Napoleonic Bicentenary Trust Appoints New Director

The British Napoleonic Bicentenary Trust (BNBT) is another organisation assisted by the St Helena Government to



Pamela Young has worked quietly behind the scenes in support of the work being done by Saint Helena Napoleonic Heritage.

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fundraise for the purpose of restoring certain parts of St Helena's built heritage. After discussions with Lord Ashcroft, BNBT succeeded in obtaining funding for the renovation of Jacob's Ladder and were already in the process of raising funds for Toby's Cottage in the grounds of the French properties at the Briars.

Martyn Weeds contacted the *Independent* this week to introduce himself as the (very) new director of the BNBT. Martyn said he is getting himself up to date with the various aspects of BNBT's work and will soon be in a position to provide an update on BNBT projects.

Martyn follows the same path as James Bramble, the first director of BNBT. Previously employed by SHG as the External Funding Co-ordinator Martyn has moved to the BNT in a fairly similar but more specific role. Before that Martyn spent 5 years with the British Institute at Ankara, Turkey (Türkiye) as a senior development manager involved with providing advice and guidance on the funding environment for projects relating to Turkey and the Black Sea region and working with academic staff to make applications to national and international research funding agencies, charitable foundations and businesses.

Recruitment of Doctors to Include New Regulatory Process

Monday's public meeting organised by the Health Department included discussion on important health related issues outside the St Helena Joint Strategic Needs Assessment recently published by the UK Health Security Authority.

Derek Burke, the Health Director explained that doctors were now being recruited on long term contracts where possible, most often for three years, and short term contracts were being phased out. Despite that it will be necessary from time to time to recruit doctors from overseas to cover temporary vacancies due to annual leave, sickness or personal emergencies. One of the GP doctors' 'slots' may be rotating with doctors recruited on short term contracts.

It was also said that St Helena cannot be included in the UK General Medical Council's (GMC) regulatory processes which aims to guarantee acceptable standards and competence in doctors but the St Helena health service is moving closer than ever before to following the GMC recruitment procedures.

At present, doctors recruited from the UK need to show they are registered with the GMC and doctors from other countries need to show they are registered with the regulatory authority for their country. Most countries have registration systems similar to the GMC in the UK but there are inevitable differences.

To ensure a rigorous standard is maintained in checking the competency of doctors recruited to our health service St Helena will use procedures based on the GMC practices in all recruitment of doctors.

The main change will be to use a revalidation process similar to the GMC's where all doctors are required to undergo an appraisal every year followed by a review of those appraisals every five years to confirm they remain sufficiently competent and have kept abreast of new developments and techniques and are aware of the findings of new research which is relevant to their work.

Ian Cumming, one of the team from the UKHSA, said Britain had been using the re-validation process for some years now and over the course of revalidating doctors on a regular basis, professional standards among doctors practicing in the UK had been raised. Doctors with poor levels of competence had retired or left the health service. Some had undergone the re-validation process and failed. If reaching the standard of competence required by the re-validation is not achieved a doctor cannot maintain a licence to practice with the GMC and therefore cannot practice in the UK. A similar system is being prepared for St Helena.



Your life in their hands . . .

Ian Cumming also said some doctors who had failed the re-validation process in any of the countries where this system is in place look for 'places to hide'. This means seeking employment with health authorities which do not have a regulatory regime which includes a re-validation process which guarantees that any doctor employed meets the required minimum standard.

It was not possible for health officials to say when the new system will be in place. However, when longer contracts for doctors are fully established and the recruitment process requires all doctors to meet a minimum standard of competence, the complaints which have surfaced too regularly in the past about the treatment given by some doctors should be a thing of the past.

Your Opinion Counts

Dear Editor,

I listened with great interest to the radio interview with Alistair Beak last week. This top exec from Sure had a lot to say but what sticks in my mind is one thing. "This is my first time to St Helena".

And he wonders why his bid to get involved with upgrading out telephony network got bootied out. He never felt that his presence here was worth the long haul before, he never took us seriously. Now the s##t's hit the fan he jumps on a plane!

What a great example of the excellent customer service he told us we are all currently getting from Sure. NOT. Rather, I would say the service is very expensive and limited by old fashioned practices. We all know the internet speed is dire but this is easily explained by the fact we have a finite uplink bandwidth. The constraint of not rolling over unused Mb's, only offering Mb boost purchases to Silver and above holders and instilling fear in its customers to not go over your allowance, or you will be charged heavily, are simply bad practices.

No part month billing periods if you want to upgrade, no per second or itemised billing for phone calls as standard, no treats like last number call back or voice messages. Maybe some features are available but no doubt they will all have a fee of some kind. Also, don't ever let your phone line go down on a Friday as you will have to wait days and days for it to get repaired. No weekend or evening offering for an engineer to make a house call.

Patchy and unreliable 3G Mobile coverage with the minimum deployment of equipment. The country folk are not worthy of a signal. Unused minutes that get taken away by a certain date, calls that drop out or don't even connect, local text messages that get sent and charged for but don't get delivered and expensive data. All good stuff. How about giving feedback to Sure? By all accounts it's easier to get an audience with the Pope than the CEO here.

Alistair did talk some sense though. Like him, I do not believe for one second that £1m and 1 year will be anything like enough to give us an alternative option. The Ministers/SHG are way way off if they think a new "physical" network could be done for that. More like £20m and 3 years would be closer. A couple of weeks ago some reps from Maestro Technologies Ltd (SHG's preferred bidder) came to the island for a look see. They came and went in a hurry in more or less public silence. Perhaps more

s##t saw the light of day, this time of the pants variety, after seeing the islands topography. Maybe they should change their name to Magic Technologies and start performing some to make £1m into £15m or maybe they will do a vanishing trick like PASH did.

The benefits of having the fibre link are well understood and getting it here has been a challenge, absolutely. It seems that part of the project has gone very well so credit where it's due to those involved.

The number one priority now though has to be making it work financially for its owners and users. One user type maybe high grade, like Oneweb. Another, just us, the plain old public customer trying to download a movie. No matter what, it has to be affordable. Alistair felt free enough (seeing no contract means he has nothing to lose) to let us know what service pricing structure Sure had in mind. Around the £50 per month mark is what he said for 20-30Mb. Well what is it, 20 or 30? Did the 50 quid include the local phone service? Taking the lower speed, 20Mb will feel great to most of us. But £50 will definitely not, to most of us. Actually it would be nice to know what the figures are on how many of us are Bronze, Silver, Gold etc to see who would benefit and who would pay more. Cheaper and faster is what we have been spoon fed for months, so in this climate of high cost of living, for me £30 is my budget.

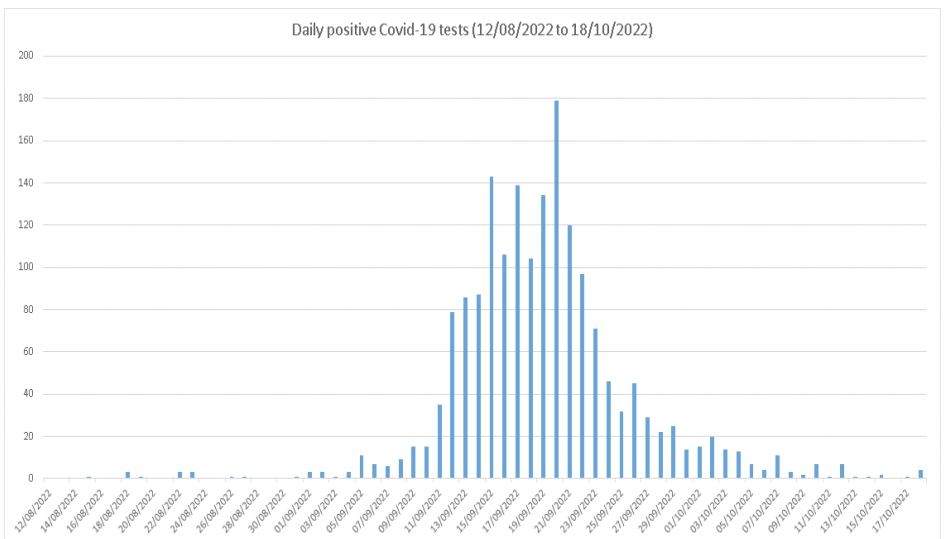
Regards, Spike

The Covid graph shows a continuing decline in the number of infections

The daily covid graph showing the number of infections notified each day shows a further decline in the number of infections. The latest graph is up to Tuesday of this week and indicates seven infections have been notified since the last official update to Thursday of last week.

On Sunday there were no notifications and on three other days there was just one or two notified infections.

The anticipated increase in the daily infection rate when the schools reopened did not happen and it is hoped the infection rate will now continue to fall.





INVITATION TO NCA MANAGEMENT PLANNING STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION WORKSHOPS

St Helena Government (SHG) and the Joint Nature Conservation Committee (JNCC) are pleased to invite you to participate in a half-day workshop on St Helena's National Conservation Areas (NCAs), as part of the Darwin Plus Project 'Sustainable management planning for St Helena's National Conservation Areas'.

SHG, the (JNCC), and SAERI (Falklands) Limited (SFL) are working in partnership to develop sustainable-use Management Plans for St Helena's 13 nature NCAs. These are the National Parks of Sandy Bay, The Barn and Stone Top, Millennium Forest, High Hill, Deep Valley Islands, Prosperous Bay Plain and Heart Shaped Waterfall Nature Reserves, and the Man & Horse, Broad Bottom, Deadwood Plain, Bottom Woods and Upper Prosperous important Wirebird areas.

The workshop is intended for all NCA stakeholders, and will mark the first of the project's engagement activities.

Topics covered during the workshop will include:

- Project Overview and Workshop Objectives
- Ensuring Effective Engagement
- Management Plans – Format and Content
- Data Identification
- Next Steps.

Dates and Venue: Two workshops will be held at the following venues and times. Invitees are encouraged to join whichever workshop is most convenient to them.

Date	Location	Time
Tuesday, 25 October 2022	Harford Community Centre	9am – 1.30pm
Wednesday, 26 October 2022	Blue Hill Community Centre	9am – 1.30pm

The project partners recognise the importance of these areas to the people of St Helena. It is therefore planned that the workshops will be interactive with opportunities for participants to learn about the project, while also providing feedback on the future direction of the management planning process. The workshops will include break-out working group sessions. Tea/coffee and lunch will be provided for all participants.

If you are not able to attend a workshop a further community information session will also be held at:

Date	Location	Time
Wednesday, 26 October 2022	Kingshurst Community Centre	7pm – 8.30pm

For further information and/or to confirm attendance, please contact Isabel Peters via email: Isabel.Peters@sainthelena.gov.sh.

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PRESS RELEASE: CHANGE TO TELEVISION CHANNEL CONTENT

Change to Television Channel Content 31 October 2022

Sure SA Ltd advises our Television Rebroadcast Service customers that effective 31 October 2022, our content service provider will be making a change to one of the current television channels we rebroadcast.

MTV Hits 24 will be discontinued and we will be rebroadcasting Food Network in its place.

We thank our customers for their patience as we make this change to our Television Rebroadcast Service and trust customers will enjoy the new content.

Should you have any questions regarding the above changes; please contact our Customer Services team on telephone +290 22900 or email us at service@sure.co.sh



ALTERNATIVE MEASURES FOR METER READING

In an effort to keep both our customers and Meter Readers safe whilst there is community spread of COVID-19, precautions will be taken by our Meter Readers as they visit your home.

Connect would like to remind customers that during the period 1-12 November 2022, Meter Readers will be taking utility readings in Upper Half Tree Hollow and St Pauls areas.

If you do **not** wish for the Meter Reader to call at your home, there is the option to call in your meter readings to Anita Peters, Billing Administrator (Metering), on telephone number 22255 or email anita.peters@connect.co.sh by close of business on Friday, 28th October 2022.

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CLOSURE OF EMERGENCY DENTAL CLINIC

TUESDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2022

The Health Services Directorate would like to inform the public that the emergency dental clinic, which is normally open to the public between 8:30 and 9:30 every weekday, will be closed on Tuesday, 25 October 2022.

Persons who experience any dental emergency during this time are asked to call the Dental Clinic via telephone on 25387 where they will be triaged by a Dental Nurse.

This closure will be for Tuesday 25 October only. The normal emergency dental clinic will resume from Wednesday 26 October 2022.

The public is thanked in advance for their understanding and cooperation

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Chevening Scholarships

Applications for the Chevening Scholarship Awards will close in just under two weeks on **1 November 2022 at 12noon GMT.**

Fully funded by the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), Chevening offers one year's master degrees in the UK in any subject at any university. For a full list of the criteria for applying, please visit www.chevening.org. This includes having two year's work experience, returning to St Helena after your studies for at least two years, and having an undergraduate degree that will allow entry into postgraduate study at a UK university.

Chevening aims to develop scholars professionally as well as academically. Scholars are given opportunities to engage in many interesting networking events and activities and experience what the UK has to offer. In recent years such events have included round table policy discussions at the FCDO, Chevening talks and debate sessions, visits to various UK attractions such as Stonehenge, No. 10 Downing Street and the London Eye.

More information on the scholarships process, including guidance on submitting an application online, the Chevening timeline and researching university course choices can be found at www.chevening.org. You may also contact Chevening Officer, Kerry Lane on telephone No. 22308, or via email Kerry.Lane@fcdo.gov.uk for assistance.

**Governor's Office, St Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha
18 October 2022**

PRIVATE SECTOR OPPORTUNITIES FOR UPCOMING YACHT RACE

CAPE to
St Helena
2022



St Helena Tourism would like to hear from:

- **Accommodation** (B&B, self-catering, guesthouses and hotels)
- **Restaurants and catering providers**
- **Transport** (taxi and bus services)
- **Tours and activities** (island, marine, fishing, guided walks, etc.)
- **Entertainment** (BBQ/braai/fish fry, music, entertainment, bars, etc.)
- **Other** (laundry, sail repair, etc.)

Yachts depart Cape Town on 29 December with first yachts arriving around 7 January 2023. Visiting supporters will be on-island.



To help promote your business please
register your details with the Tourist Office

E: visit@sainthelena.gov.sh

T: 22158

www.sthelenatourism.com

SHG VACANCIES

HOUSING MANAGEMENT OFFICER (Treasury, Infrastructure & Sustainable Development Portfolio)

Are you a highly motivated individual looking for a career change or to progress your career? Do you have good leadership skills and problem-solving abilities? If so, the Property Section has an opportunity for you to join their team.

Further information about the duties of the post and a copy of the job profile, interested persons should contact: Nikita Crowie, Deputy Head of Property on telephone number 22270 or email: nikita.crowie@sainthelena.gov.sh

Application forms are available from:

Central Human Resources or the SHG website at: www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies. Applications should be submitted through Directors, where applicable, to Sharina Williams, Human Resources Officer, The Castle or e-mail recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than **4pm on Tuesday, 25 October 2022**.

PRISON CATERING OFFICER (within Safety, Security & Home Affairs Portfolio)

Her Majesty's Prison in Jamestown is looking to recruit an individual to take on the responsibility of ensuring meals are planned and prepared for the entire Prison. The Individual will need to take on the responsibilities of ensuring menus are produced taking into account any dietary requirements for the prisoners and supervise Prisoners who are keen to learn a skill to help them earn a qualification to aid in securing future employment

Further information about the duties of the post and a copy of the job profile, interested persons should contact: Linda Fuller, Deputy Prison Manager on telephone number 22541 or email: linda.fuller@sainthelena.gov.sh

Application forms are available from:

Central Human Resources or the SHG website at: www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies. Applications should be submitted through Directors, where applicable, to Anya Richards, Human Resources Officer, The Castle or e-mail recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than **4pm GMT on Tuesday, 25 October 2022**.

HEALTH CARE ASSISTANT (Health & Social Care Portfolio)

*The Health and Social Care Portfolio is looking to recruit a highly motivated individual with a caring and empathetic nature to support our Nursing team in providing direct patient care in a highly pressured working environment. The role involves **assisting** nursing staff with out of hours nurse-led emergency care (evenings, nights and weekends) for patients attending hospital or contacting via telephone, as well as **assisting** nurses as part of the ambulance team when called out of the hospital for emergencies. Good verbal and written communication skills with a keen eye for detail and accuracy is essential for this role.*

Further information about the duties of the post and a copy of the job profile, interested persons should contact: Nova Norrie, Chief Nursing Officer on telephone number 22500 or email: nova.norrie@sainthelena.gov.sh

Application forms are available from:

Central Human Resources & Organisational Development or the SHG website at: www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies. Applications should be submitted through Directors, where applicable, to Camilla Thomas, Trainee Human Resources Officer, The Castle or e-mail recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than **4pm on Tuesday, 25 October 2022**

To be considered for these roles, you must complete our application form. Failure to do so will mean that your application will not be considered. Please do not submit your CV.

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.

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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EMERGENCY CARE ASSISTANT (Health & Social Care Portfolio)

The Health Services, Emergency Services team are seeking to recruit an enthusiastic individual to undertake a new and exciting development post as an Emergency Care Assistant, to join the team in providing an Emergency Ambulance and Emergency Department service under the direction of the Paramedics. The role will see the successful applicant undertake the Level 3 and Level 4 QA First Response Emergency Care qualifications (A UK recognised and regulated course), receive training in emergency driving, and on-the job mentorship and training. The role will require participation in an on-call rota to provide an efficient, responsive, and reliable emergency service.

Further information about the duties of the post and a copy of the job profile, interested persons should contact: Michael Gaga-Hale, Senior Paramedic on telephone number 22500 or email: michael.gaga-hale@sainthelena.gov.sh

Application forms are available from:

Central Human Resources or the SHG website at: www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies. Applications should be submitted through Directors, where applicable, to Camilla Thomas, Trainee Human Resources Officer, The Castle or e-mail recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than **4pm on Tuesday, 25 October 2022**.

HUMAN RESOURCES ASSISTANT Fixed Term (1 year contract) within the Central Support Services Portfolio

Are you a highly motivated individual with strong administrative skills who demonstrates attention to detail and works methodically, responding to changes to meet deadlines? Do you know how to handle, resolve and escalate enquiries and pass on information promptly?

Central HR is a fast paced working environment offering an exciting opportunity and we would like to hear from YOU!

Further information about the duties of the post, interested persons should contact: Mrs Clare O'Dean, Assistant HR Business Partner on telephone number 22470 or email: clare.o'dean@sainthelena.gov.sh

Application forms are available from:

Central Human Resources. Applications should be submitted through Directors, where applicable, to Camilla Thomas, Trainee Human Resources Assistant, The Castle or e-mail recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than **4pm on Tuesday 25th October 2022**.

To be considered for this role, you must complete our application form. Failure to do so will mean that your application will not be considered. Please do not submit your CV.

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applicants meeting the minimum criteria listed in the job profile will be guaranteed an interview.

All appointments are subject to the successful candidate providing satisfactory clearances, including a medical check and vetting/DBS clearance.



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HOUSING ASSISTANT

(3-month fixed term contract)

(within *Treasury, Infrastructure & Sustainable Development Portfolio*)

If you are a highly motivated individual with excellent communication skills, then here is an opportunity for you to join the team at the Property Section, where you will provide an effective and high quality administrative support to the Housing Management Service.

Further information about the duties of the post and a copy of the job profile, interested persons should contact:

Nikita Crowie, Deputy Head of Property on telephone number 22270 or email: nikita.crowie@sainthelena.gov.sh.

Application forms are available from:

Central Human Resources & Organisational Development or the SHG website at: www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies. Applications should be submitted through Directors where applicable, to Sharina Williams, Human Resources Officer, The Castle or e-mail recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than **4pm on Tuesday, 1st November 2022**

SENIOR SUPPORT WORKER (Children's Residential Home)

(1 year Fixed-Term Contract)

Health & Social Care Portfolio

*The Social Care Portfolio is seeking to recruit **Senior Support Worker** to support the operations of the Children's Residential Home and to ensure the needs of all children are met. This will involve overseeing the day-to-day operations of the team ensuring that resources are used efficiently and effectively and that the quality of care provided to children meets required standards.*

Further information about the duties of the post and a copy of the job profile, interested persons should contact:

Rosie Flatman, Children's Residential Home Manager on telephone number 25936 or 24386 or email: rosie.flatman@sainthelena.gov.sh.

Application forms are available from:

Central Human Resources & Organisational Development or the SHG website at: www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies. Applications should be submitted through Directors, where applicable, to Sharina Williams, Human Resources Officer, The Castle, or e-mail recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than **4pm on Tuesday, 1 November 2022**.

To be considered for these roles, you must complete our application form. Failure to do so will mean that your application will not be considered. Please do not submit your CV.

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SHG reserves the right to have information provided on the application form independently verified.

JOB VACANCY – Hairdresser

Wolf Creek Federal Services Inc. invites application for the following job position at the American Base, Ascension Island.

Summary/General Description Of Job:

- Self-employed hairdresser
- Responsible for providing your supplies.
- Capability to work on all types of hair texture, including men’s clipper cuts..
- Maintain own schedule and calendar appointments.

Job Requirements

- Associate degree in cosmetology or completion of a state-approved cosmetology program.
- Appropriate state licensure
- Valid driver’s license
- Ability to successfully pass any employment background check and/or drug testing required on the contract.
- Required to take Air Force Training
- Valid Passport

Working Conditions:

- The ability to stand for an extended period of time.
- Maintain a clean shop and remove the trash.
- Maintain a flexible work schedule of 2- 3 months rotation.

WCFSI provides free Accommodation, Food (3 meals per day) and Round trip passage to home of record after completion of a 1 year contract. Laundry and MWR facilities are free of charge. Must have a valid Passport/Visa minimum of 18 months to be able to sign an Offer Letter. Should not have any major offences with any law enforcement agency.

Send resume or questions to E-mail E-ROS.WolfCreek.Jobs@us.af.mil or phone 247-62225



Are you looking for a new and exciting career?

Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has an exciting opportunity for an

Auto Shop & Transport Manager

Job Outline

- To be responsible for the Management of the Company's Auto Shop and Transport Operations ensuring effective service delivery
- To manage all staff ensuring that jobs are carried out in compliance with safety requirements
 - To set expectation and deliver on quality and customer service standards.

Interested Persons Should:

- Have 3 years' experience in a Management role, with strong interpersonal, organisational and leadership skills
- Ideally have a relevant industry qualification or a proven track record of working in a similar environment for a minimum of 5 years
- Be in possession of a diagnostics certification and/or have recognised industry software diagnostics competence
 - Possess a valid driving licence
 - Possess commercial and financial awareness
 - Possess Grade C or above in GCSE Maths & English, or equivalent

Salary for this post will be £16,335 per annum (£1,361 per month)

For further information, including the Company's attractive benefits package, please contact

Ian Gough

General Manager (Services & Properties)

on telephone number: 22380

or via email address:

GM-Services.Properties@solomons.co.sh

Application forms may be collected from Solomons Reception Desk, in the Main Office Building, Jamestown or alternatively an electronic copy can be requested via e-mail address:

hadmin@solomons.co.sh and should

be completed and returned to Miss Madonna Henry, Human Resources Manager,

Solomons Office, Jamestown,

By 27 October 2022.



Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has an exciting opportunity within the Building Works Team for a

Building Services Manager

As the Building Services Manager, you will:

- Manage all aspects of construction projects and be responsible for the delivery of all the elements of the Building Services department;
 - Undertake Risk Assessments and compile method statements, as necessary;
- Manage all staff assigned to construction projects ensuring that the jobs are carried out in a safe and cost effective manner;
 - Set expectation and deliver on quality standards and customer service standards.

Interested Persons Should:

- Have experience in managing a team, with strong interpersonal, organisational and leadership skills
 - Demonstrate good technical skills
 - Be self-motivated, innovative and have the ability to work under pressure
- Ideally have a relevant industry qualification or a proven track record of working in a similar environment for a minimum of 5 years
 - Have a valid Driver's licence

Salary for the post will start at £16,335 per annum (£1,361 per month), depending on qualifications and experience.

For further information, including the Company's attractive benefits package, please contact

Ian Gough,

General Manager (Services & Properties)

on telephone number: 22380

or via email address:

GM-Services.Properties@solomons.co.sh

Application forms may be collected from Solomons Reception Desk, in the Main Office Building, Jamestown or alternatively an electronic copy can be requested via e-mail address:

hadmin@solomons.co.sh and should be

completed and returned to Madonna Henry,

Human Resources Manager, Solomons Office, Jamestown,

By 27 October 2022



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

Application forms may be collected from Solomons Reception Desk, in the Main Office Building, Jamestown or alternatively an electronic copy can be requested via e-mail address: hradmin@solomons.co.sh and should be completed and returned to Anya Thomas, Human Resources, Human Resources Officer, Solomons Office, Jamestown, by 02 November 2022.

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
- Possess experience in working in a customer facing environment and have excellent customer service skills
 - Be competent in Maths, English & IT
 - Possess experience in Cash Handling
- Be self-motivated and able to work well as part of a team
- Be able to undertake physically demanding and manual handling duties
- Have the ability to multi-task in a fast-paced environment

Salary for the post will be £7,751 per annum (\$645 per month)

INVITATION TO TENDER EXTENDED DEADLINE

BISHOPS BRIDGE REFURBISHMENT

St Helena Government (SHG) has extended the deadline for tenders to be submitted for the Bishops Bridge Refurbishment Project to Thursday, 3 November 2022.

The refurbishment works will consist of the following:

- replacing edge beams supporting the bridge deck
- renewing an abutment
- renewing surface drainage and resurfacing bridge deck
- renewing parapets and pilasters.



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Copies of the tender document can be obtained from Procurement Officer, Tiffany Lawrence, at Essex House, Jamestown, on tel: 22270 or via email: tiffany.lawrence@sainthelena.gov.sh.

An additional site visit to view the works will take place on Wednesday, 26 October 2022, at 10am, meeting at Bishops Bridge, St Paul's. Contractors should note that any additional site visits will not be entertained unless there is a relevant reason why the contractor could not attend the scheduled site visit.

For further information, interested contractors can contact EDIP Chartered Engineer, Richard Wotton, on tel: 25805 or via email: richard.wotton@sainthelena.co.sh.

Completed tenders should be submitted in the tender box located in the Main Foyer, Essex House, Jamestown, by Thursday, 3 November 2022, at 12 noon.

Interested parties should note that works to Bishops Bridge will only commence upon the opening of Side Path Road which is anticipated for mid-November 2022. Interested parties should also note that this opportunity is not being advertised overseas.

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INVITATION TO TENDER

The St Helena National Trust would like to invite suitably experienced boat operators to submit tenders for the following contract: **Conducting Bone shark research and data collection in St Helena's Marine Protected Area, during the 2022/23 Bone shark season (Dec-March).**

Only tenders from Accredited Marine Tour Operators will be considered, as per St Helena Research Institute Licence conditions.

Tenders should consider the following:

- Boat trips from Jamestown Wharf to Bone shark aggregation sites around the Island, within coastal waters. These sites include (but are not limited to): Barn Cap, Barn Ledge, Dawson's fishing grounds, Flagstaff Bay, Egg Island, Speery Island Cap, George Island and certain windward sites;
- Anticipated start date: **Dec 2022** (depending on sightings);
- Anticipated end date: **31 March 2023** (contract may be extended depending on continued sightings);
- Anticipated frequency of 2 to 3 trips per week (sightings dependent);
Quotes required for both **half day** (3 to 4 hours) and **full day** trips (6 to 7 hours);
- Please provide details on suitability of vessel and crew to undertake this research work.

For further details please contact the Trust Marine Team on 22569 or email kenickie.andrews@trust.org.sh

Interested persons should submit tenders in a sealed envelope addressed to the Office Manager, Amanda Constantine, by no later than 16:00hrs on Friday 4 November 2022.

**INVITATION TO TENDER*****PROVISION OF TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES***

Reference: CS-1662-SHG

St Helena Government has issued an Invitation to Tender for the provision of travel and accommodation services.

Full documentation and the specifications can be found on the St Helena Government e-procurement system which can be accessed via: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/sainthelena> following registration on the system.

User guides are available via the 'Supplier Information' tab to assist prospective suppliers registering on the e-Procurement system.

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NOTIFICATION**MEETING OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CONTROL AUTHORITY**

The Land Development Control Authority will hold its monthly meeting on

Thursday 3rd November 2022, at 10 am at the St Helena Community College Main Hall, Jamestown.

Meetings of the Authority are open to members of the public, applicants and objectors.

The Agenda and redacted versions of the Handling Reports will be available on the LDCA Web Page on the SHG Web Site. Should you require assistance, please contact the Secretary of the Land Development Control Authority on telephone number 24724.

Applicants and objectors may speak at the meeting providing that a summary of the points to be raised has been submitted to the Secretary at least 24 hours before the meeting.

Cricket Squad Selected for World T20 Regional Qualifiers



St Helena Cricket has been hard at training for the past months, preparing for the T20 WC regional qualifiers in Rwanda in November. With an initial pool of 20 players who have been training hard under the coaching skills of Nadeem Ahmed, a level 3 professional cricket coach who is working with St Helena Cricket board.

The selectors announcement came just after four on Saturday 15th October and Derek Richards, Vice President and Team Manager, welcomed the players and their families to a private event at Richards Travel Lodge. Coach Nadeem inspired and congratulated the squad on their recent training achievements and complimented them on their commitment and discipline.

It was quite an exciting moment for St Helena Cricket and prior to the announcement of the 2022 International Squad, awards were presented to Alex Langham, Jordi Henry, Cliff Richards, Wayne Crowie and Scott Obey for outstanding achievements in the previous 3 weeks. Wayne was also awarded with an ICC course completion certificate in the foundation of coaching.

Everyone applauded the team selection which now consists of Alex Langham, Scott Crowie (Ct), Dax Richards, Andrew Yon, Aiden Leo, Brett Isaac, Brendan Leo, Barry Stroud, Cliff Richards, Jamie Ellick, Rhys Francis, Gareth Johnson, Dane Leo and Jordi Henry.

Travelling with the squad will be Derek Richards – Manager, Nadeem Ahmed – Coach, Bradley Petersen – Physio and Denzil Smit – a personal development coach, will join the squad on their arrival in Johannesburg.

Team St Helena will spend six days training on turf wickets in Johannesburg before travelling on to Kigali, Rwanda.

For information on St Helena Cricket use the St Helena Cricket Association website - https://www.sthelenacricket.org/shca_news/

Surgery

Councillor Robert Midwinter will be hosting a drop in Constituency Surgery for all residents living within the St Paul's electoral area.

This will be held at Kingshurst Community Centre on Wednesday 26th October, starting at 4pm, and 30 minute slots will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

If you would like to meet with him on this occasion, please call 51500 to make an appointment, or send him an email via: cllr.midwinter@helanta.co.sh



Intensive Week-Long Course for Legislative Council People



Legislative Council, as shown on the CPA website. Most of those present have been and gone

The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) will have some of its officials in St Helena soon to put all those involved with Legislative Council through “an intensive one-week training course for the Presiding Officers, Councillors and parliamentary staff.” The CPA has designed training which will focus on the role of ministers, the importance of committees (scrutiny) and parliamentary procedure. They are sending a specialist resource team to deliver the training programme.

The training is based on the benchmark assessment of Leg-

islative Council which happened between July and September last year. In assessment involved members of Legislative Council assessing themselves on democratic and good governance standards against CPA recommended benchmarks.

The assessment showed up several areas where further development is required; including continuous training for councillors. It is an event by invitation only; the public gallery will be closed. The training week starts on Saturday 29th October and finishes on Friday 4th November.

OneWeb Launch 36 Satellites on Sunday

At seven minutes past midnight, India Standard Time, on Sunday 23rd October OneWeb will launch another 36 communications satellites into orbit to add to the 428 already orbiting the Earth. OneWeb are behind schedule with their satellite launch programme. Until February this year they were using a Russian owned rocket launcher but sanctions against Russia meant this arrangement came to a sudden and unexpected end.

OneWeb now have an agreement with the India Space Research Organisation (ISRO) for a series of satellite launches from the ISRO Sriharikota spaceport in Andhra Pradesh on the south-east India coast.

Picture:

The space capsule with a payload of 36 OneWeb satellites being transported to the launch site



Restoring Toby's Cottage

Martyn Weeds – Director of the British Napoleonic Bi-Centenary Trust

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British Napoleonic
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The new Director of BNBT rock climbing in Turkey



Toby's Cottage as it is today

With the support and generosity of people on St Helena, in the UK and around the world, the Trust is planning to renovate the remains of Toby's Cottage as a faithful replica of the conditions he would have lived in at the time. This will be an opportunity to further develop the recognition of the history of slavery on the island, and to recount that history through the perspective of one individual whose story is little understood.

Toby's Cottage sits to the east of the Briars in a valley near the heart-shaped waterfall. William Balcombe took over The Briars property in 1811 and established a brewery. The Cottage is a small two-room outbuilding to the rear of the main complex, comprising two rooms in a rectangular footprint with an internal partition. A small addition to the east was most likely an attached kitchen. The space was probably inhabited by members of Balcombe's enslaved domestic servants. The building thus represents one of the surviving dwellings of enslaved people on the island.

When Napoleon first arrived on St Helena in 1815, he lived for some time at The Briars. It was here that Napoleon first befriended Toby, one of the enslaved people who worked in the Balcombe's garden.

The British Napoleonic Bicentenary Trust (BNBT) plans to tell the story of Napoleon and Toby by rebuilding the house where Toby and other enslaved people lived. The completed project will shed light on the early period of slavery on the island.

Toby's small cottage, built of rough stone and with an earth floor, is now a ruin. The roof and several of the walls have been lost. The northern wall in particular has lost the majority of its standing fabric. The lintels above the window and door on the southern wall, as well as the interior door lintel, are near collapse. The loss of the fabric has also resulted in the degradation of the exterior limewash that acts as a bonding agent for the dry-laid stone walls. Due to the wall collapse and loss of the roof system, large amounts of bio-growth are now present throughout the complex.



Toby's Cottage

An impression of how the cottage will look when restored

The land on which the cottage stands is owned by the French Consul on the island who has kindly offered to donate the cottage and its land to charitable ownership. Earlier this year, permission for the planned work was granted, and work on removing vegetation from the interior of the house and its perimeter, rebuilding the walls and roof as they would have appeared in 1820s, restoring the compacted earth floor, creating displays of simple personal items which may have belonged to Toby, and adding signage and information boards to interpret the cottage and provide context is expected to commence in early 2023. All work will follow best practice in historic preservation and will ensure heritage building skills are preserved on St Helena.

Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

Last Wednesday on the 'From the Side Lines' radio show I didn't give Liverpool a chance of beating Manchester City in the Premier league. Liverpool then went on to beat Rangers 7-1 on Wednesday night with Mo Salah scoring a hat-trick. Although Rangers is not a great team I thought the confidence that this win gave some of the Liverpool players the belief to put in such an improve performance against the Champions.

Van Dyke and Mo Salah in particular were outstanding against Manchester City. The Liverpool defence played well as a unit and managed to cut out the supply to Erling Haaland. This result for Liverpool could be the turning point in what was becoming a disappointing season. The fans on St Helena were certainly happy. Not seen so many Liverpool shirts on a Monday morning in Jamestown for a long while.



Salah scored a brilliant goal as Liverpool beat Manchester City 1-0.

Luckily they managed to restore the power at Elland Road as there was a lot of incidents that VAR was involved in as Arsenal beat Leeds 1-0 in a feisty match.

The match was delayed for 40 minutes because of a power outage which meant the referee had no communications with VAR and the fourth official. Once the power was back on it was Arsenal's Saka who was once again the match winner as his first half strike gave the Gunners all three points.

Arsenal rode their luck in the second half as Leeds pushed for an equaliser. But for a Patrick Bamford's penalty miss they could have gained a deserved point. Instead Arsenal now has a 4 point cushion at the top of the table over Manchester City and Spurs.

With 8 wins in 9 matches we have to count Arsenal as contenders for the League title.



Saka has been Arsenal's star man this season... 4 goals and 5 assists

In other matches; Tottenham Hotspur stayed in third place now level on points with second place City as they defeated Everton 2-0.

Wolves picked up a much needed win as they beat Nottingham Forest 1-0. Forest is in deep trouble and looks to be favourites for relegation back to the Championship this season.

Fulham drew 2-2 at home against Bournemouth. Leicester City's poor form continues as they could only draw 0-0 with Crystal Palace

Southampton managed to get a point against West Ham drawing 1-1 at St Mary's. The Saints had a real Saint as their mascot for this match. St Helenian Adam Constantine the son of Mark and Linda Constantine was selected to lead the team out at St Mary's against the Hammers' last Sunday.



St Helenian Adam Constantine with Captains James Ward-Prowse, Declan Rice, Match Officials and other mascots



What a proud moment for Saints Fan Adam Constantine.

He said the highlight of his day was: "Leading the team out of the tunnel onto the pitch, hearing the crowd and knowing James Ward Prowse was just behind me, I didn't want the day to end"

Chelsea's good form under Graham Potter continues as they beat a struggling Aston Villa 2-0.

Stevie G is in danger of losing his job as manager of Villa. This win for Chelsea moves them up to 4th place in the League table

Brentford got back to winning ways as they defeated Brighton 2-0. Ivan Toney scored both goals.

Toney must get on the plane to Qatar. He will prove to be an asset for England at the World Cup next month.

Manchester United and Newcastle United played out a goalless draw. Newcastle had the better chances in the first half when Joelinton should have scored. Man U had the better of

Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

the second half. Marcus Rashford had a great chance to win the match right at the end but sent his header wide.



United Legend Sir Alex Ferguson presented Ronaldo with an award for scoring 700 club goals and to De Gea for playing 500 matches for Manchester United.

The mid-week matches saw Crystal Palace come from behind to beat Wolves 2-1. Brighton and Nottingham Forest played out a 0-0 draw.

Manchester United played their best match under Erik Ten Hag as they dominated Spurs in a 2 nil win at Old Trafford. The Red Devils registered 28 shots at the Spurs goal with keeper Loris having to make 9 saves.

Liverpool followed up their win against Manchester City with a 1-0 win against West Ham.

Southampton picked up a much need win against Bournemouth. Newcastle beat Everton 1-0 and Brentford and Chelsea drew 0-0.



Casemiro put in a midfield master class against Spurs

EPL Fixtures:

SATURDAY 22ND OCTOBER

- 11:30 Nottingham Forest v Liverpool
- 14:00 Everton v Crystal Palace
- 14:00 Manchester City v Brighton & Hove Albion
- 16:30 Chelsea v Manchester United

SUNDAY 23RD OCTOBER

- 13:00 Aston Villa v Brentford
- 13:00 Leeds United v Fulham
- 13:00 Southampton v Arsenal
- 13:00 Wolverhampton Wanderers v Leicester City
- 15:30 Tottenham Hotspur v Newcastle United

MONDAY 24TH OCTOBER

- 19:00 West Ham United v AFC Bournemouth

Junior Football (Futsal) Results 2022 by Owen Richards

Sponsored by: Nigel George; Colins Garage and Ian Williams

Saturday 15th October 2022

Age 6-11

Young Rebels 20 – 2 Hungry Sharks

Goal Scorers: Young Rebels - Dillon George 7, Louie Fowler 4, Jamel Peters 2, Elijah Young 2, Tylon Duncan 2, Own Goals 2, James Lawrence 1,

Goal Scorers: Hungry Sharks - Scott Constantine 1, Jacob Benjamin 1

Players of the match

Young Rebels – Dillon George

Hungry Sharks – Scott Constantine

Predators 20 – 1 Young Raiders

Goal Scorers: Predators – Levi Williams 10, Lebron George 4, Hugo Richards 3, Cruz Williams 3,

Goal Scorer: Young Raiders – Own Goal

Player of the match

Predators – Levi Williams

Young Raiders – Oscar Young-Markham

Age 11-15

Natural Disasters 5 – 0 Sentinel Stars

Goal Scorers: Blaze Baldwin 3, Taylan Phillips 2

Player of the match

Natural Disasters – Blaze Baldwin

Sentinel Stars – Callum O'Dean

Fixtures

9am 6-11 Hungry Sharks v Young Raiders

Ref: Gareth Johnson

10am 6-11 Predators v Young Bellboys

Ref: Owen Richards

SHFA International Football Team update

Training session two was a great success as all squad members reached their Beep Test target.

The Goalkeepers had to reach level 7. The lowest was 7.2 and the highest was 10.1

The outfield players had to reach level 10, the lowest was 10.7 and the highest was 14.13. 15 players went over level 11.

We are currently looking for a new kit sponsor. Full home and away kits plus training kit, tracksuits and Polo shirts will cost us £5,500.

The main Fund raiser for this month is the Grand Raffle.



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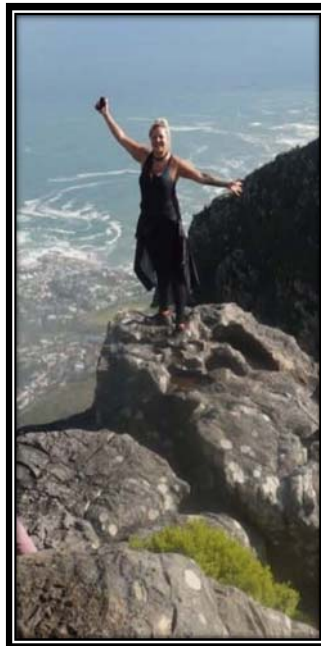


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Football From Francis Plain

Louis-Kesta Barnikel

Axis Vs Ballers

The weekend's football commenced with an entertaining match between two of the leagues bottom ranked teams. Axis made a bright start, with Christen Yon causing problems for the Young Ballers with his aggression and tenacity.

The first half was played end to end with both sides creating numerous chances only to be curtailed in the final third by a lack of clinical finishing.

After trading corners early on in the contest, fizzing shots from McCoy and Shaquille Benjamin, along with fine ball-work from Ethan Harris saw 10-man Ballers start to dominate proceedings.

Axis looked most dangerous when counter attacking, with powerful midfielder Christen Yon linking well with his son Travis Samuel on numerous occasions.

Axis striker Josh Bowers put himself about all afternoon and it was he, who played a part in the opening goal.

After Bowers' strong running of the channel line, Axis were awarded a corner kick.

Christen Yon supplied a delightful cross for oncoming centre back-Dion Maggot to smash the ball home on the volley.

1-0 Axis

Still, even with 10 men, Ballers carried on attacking with intent, only to find themselves facing one of Axis' best players on the day in David Yon.

Time and time again the Axis No. 5 proved to be a rock at the back.

The wingers on both sides had the most joy throughout the match, with Colby Richards of Axis and McCoy of the Ballers looking dangerous all game.

Ballers drew level on the 20" mark.

McCoy, in the right place at the right time, made no mistake with a stinging shot into the corner of the goal after powerful play from striker Ethan Harris.

1-1

With Ballers tails up and attacking at every opportunity like a pack of wolves, it was they, who scored the winner. Wonderful play between Shaquille and McCoy gave the former, time to deliver a ball into the box.

A wonderfully calculated chipped-ball into the corridor of uncertainty, gave Ethan Harris the chance apply pressure on the Axis defence and his presence alone was enough to cause David Yon to mistime his clearance with the ball ending up in his own net instead.

1-2

Final Score: **Axis 1-2 Ballers**

Goal Scorers:

Axis: **Dion Maggot**

Ballers: **McCoy Williams & OG**

MoM: **McCoy Williams**

Rovers vs Harts

One of St Helena's most prestigious football clubs, Rovers FC almost certainly secured another title on Sunday Afternoon, in a league that has regrettably become a 1 horse race. Harts-Rovers was for a long time, the game of the season,



the kind of fixture that decided which direction the silverware would be heading.

Some of the league's most classical title races and cup finals have been contested betwixt these famous names.

Here, albeit under the umbrella of Rovers' coronation, was a chance to rekindle the fire of yesterday.

This was a game Harts were desperate to win, not only to get one over their arch-rivals but also for a chance to finish as runners up- A respectable position.

The lunchtime kick-off on Saturday produced some excellent displays all over the pitch but it was Rovers star-line that once again sunk the Harts.

Ronan Legg and Rico Benjamin made the early running with slick passing between the pair which led to Legg having space to release a pot-shot at goal which dropped just over the bar. Rovers took the lead after a smart move saw Rico Benjamin float a lovely cross-field pass to wily right-winger Joey Thomas who showed great composure to beat his man and cut inside where he found Ronan Legg in yards of space.

A fine finish by the Rovers attacker from the edge of the box.

1-0 Rovers

It was 2-0 Rovers barely five minutes later.

Slack concentration from Harts defence meant a long throw in from full back Julian "Dottie" Henry found Rico Benjamin in acres of space, free to plant a header beyond the goalkeeper.

2-0

Harts weren't calling for the lifeboats just yet, as Tyler Brady gave the boys in blue some much needed buoyancy and a route back into the game. After beating the offside trap and being played through 1 on 1, Brady managed to squeeze the ball under the oncoming Rovers Keeper Anelka Leo, who despite his best efforts couldn't keep the ball out.

2-1

Just as Harts were steadying the ship, disaster struck once again.

A long ball over the top, seemed to be sailing harmlessly toward the oncoming keeper, only for him to back-track into no man's land and leave himself all at sea.

Joey Thomas managed to nod the ball over the retreating goalkeeper and into an empty net.

3-1

Still, Harts showed the determination that has defined them

over the years to give themselves another shot of getting back into the match.

Matthias Young upping the ante with his direct running, showed great skill and endurance to weave his way from the halfway line into the Rovers box, where he was able to release a punching shot on goal.

Anelka Leo, with reflexes resembling a feline, managed to get down low to pull off an outrageous save, only to parry the ball into the path of in-form Harts-man Tyler Brady, who made no mistake to bury the rebound from 12 yards out.

3-2

Within touching distance of the yellow submarine for the second time but sadly for the Harts... the final time.

Once again, slack defending let Rico "Darka" Benjamin in for his 2nd of the game to leave the score at 4-2 prior to half time, whilst Joey Thomas could have made it 5-2 before the interval when a thunderbolt of an effort hit the crossbar.

The second half was played at a slower pace with Rovers controlling the play. Not even the introduction of Hall of Famer Gibby Young could turn the tide of this match.

The League Champions made it 5-2 after a clever free kick saw Captain Rico "Darka" place his effort underneath the wall and into the goal to claim his hat-trick.

Ronan Legg capped off another fine performance with his 2nd of the game to make it 6-2 Rovers

Further goals including a 4th for Captain Benjamin and a Joe Naulaerts strike saw Rovers hit Harts for eight.

With almost the last kick of the game, Matthias Young, one of Harts most reliable performers this season claimed his goal with a well taken penalty.

Final score: Rovers 8-3 Harts

Goal Scorers:

Rovers:	Harts:
Rico Benjamin X4	Tyler Brady X2
Ronan Legg X 2	Matthias Young
Joey Thomas	MoM: Rico Benjamin
Joe Naulaerts	

Lakers Vs Wirebirds

Following defeat for Harts in the early kick off, both Lakers and Wirebirds knew a victory here coupled with 2 more wins in the final 3 games would guarantee runners up spot.

The contest started at breakneck speed with Lakers taking the lead from an early corner via the head of No.14 Nico "snow" Benjamin. A brave header that flew into the top corner from 6 yards out.

1-0 Lakers

Set pieces looked the Achilles heal of Lakers all afternoon and shortly after taking the lead the scores were level.

A free kick floated into the box, ricocheted off a Wirebirds player and fortuitously into the path of Ryan Benjamin who managed to guide the ball past the keeper from 5 yards.

1-1

Wirebirds took the lead shortly after, having been awarded a penalty kick when the Lakers goalkeeper came to claim a high ball into the box only to drop it right at attacker Tyler "Earl" Benjamin's feet.

The goalkeeper tried to rectify his mistake but could only pull the attacker down in desperation.

Shane "Boogie Boots" Stroud stepped up to turn the game on its head.

2-1

Seconds before half time it looked as if Wirebirds had wrapped

the game up, poor goalkeeping and limp defending- symptoms that have plagued FC Lakers all season, came back to haunt them again.

Front-man Tyler Earl left the Keeper on the floor and found the net via a tight angle despite the best efforts of Lakers defender Yoshi Richards to clear off the line.

3-1 Half Time

Groundhog Day for the Laker boys and it wouldn't have taken Nostradamus to work out what would eventually happen next. But what transpired in the first 20 minutes of the second half was off-script.

With lethal striker Sean Lee Thomas coming on at half time adding fresh impetus to the attack, FC Lakers started the second half brightly.

FC Lakers were awarded a penalty in the 50th minute although Selwyn Stroud casually stepped up to send the ball straight at the keeper Rick "Zoley" Thomas who made an incredible save.

Lakers undeterred by the penalty miss, kept pushing forward and got their reward when Sean Lee managed to find the back of the net with an instinctive tap in from 5 yards.

3-2

Lakers were well in the game at this point and unbelievably drew level with around 25 minutes to play.

The influential attacker Sean Lee found Lakers No.13 on the touchline some 30 yards from goal.

After taking 1 touch to control the ball, No.13 caught a half-volley on cue. A firework of a strike saw the ball crash into the roof of the net.

3-3

Scenes.

Unfortunately, the inevitable Lakers collapse arrived-barely 5 minutes after equalising.

A tame free kick from near the halfway line taken by Shane "boogie" Stroud caught the Lakers goalkeeper cold, who became a spectator as the ball dropped over his head and into the goal.

4-3 Wirebirds

The manner of the goal deflated the Lakers and they conceded a further 2 goals through Wirebirds pair Alistair Buckley and man of the match Tyler "Earl" Benjamin to leave Wirebirds odds-on favourites for runners up honours.

Final Score: Wirebirds 6-3 Lakers

Goal Scorers:

Wirebirds:	Lakers:
Ryan Benjamin	Nico Benjamin
Shane Stroud X2	Sean Lee Thomas
Tyler Benjamin X2	Louis Barnikel
Alistair Buckley	
MoM: Tyler Benjamin	

Fixtures

Saturday 22nd October

Lakers Vs Ballers @ 1.30pm

Rovers Vs Wirebirds @ 3.30pm

Sunday 23rd October

Axis vs Harts @ 2.00pm



Golf Report for Sunday 16th October 2022.

Contributed by: SHGC

Twenty-four players teed off last Sunday in the Texas Scramble competition sponsored by Jamestown Rifle Club - JTRC. This format is ideal for members of the community who are considering taking up the game of golf. It is a great introduction to the sport. The golf club is in dire need of female golfers. The current active participation of female golfers is not representative of the demographics of our community. Prevailing weather conditions were great for golf even though windier. At the end of the competition two teams of Arthur Francis and Jason Hopkins and Lawson Henry / Larry Legg tied on top of the leaderboard with net 60. On a countback of the last three holes team Larry/Lawson emerged winners having shot 12 against Arthur/Jason's 13 strokes. In third place was the team of Douglas Augustus and Raymond Henry with net 62. Below is a summary of the results:

Overall winners Larry Legg / Lawson Henry
 First runners up Arthur Francis / Jason Hopkins
 Second runners up Douglas Augustus / Raymond Henry

Longest drive Gents 8th Arthur Francis
 Longest drive Ladies 13th Helena Stevens
 Nearest to pin gent's 7th Jason Hopkins
 Nearest to pin Ladies 7th Helena Stevens
 Youngest Player Asa Bushuru
 2-Ball pool winners Larry/Lawson 7th, 11th. and 16th Gerald George / Tony Green 16th

Prizes were presented by the Chairman of Jamestown Rifle Club Mr Pat Henry who thanked the participants for taking part in the event and the golf club committee for allowing the fundraising event to take place at the club. Congratulations to all the prize winners. Members and guests were later treated to a sumptuous steak meal by JTRC volunteers and music by DJ KJ. We wish to extend our gratitude to everyone who came out to support this event.

This year's first Turkey and Ham Strokeplay competition will take place on Sunday 23rd October 2022. Tee of 12:00. Registration closes on Saturday 22nd October at 15:00.



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