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A Brew-tiful Day: Senior Citizens Celebrate with Tea, Laughter, and Dance



The island's senior community gathered in style this past Saturday for a joyful Senior Citizens Tea Party, which drew an impressive crowd of around 285 attendees. The event was filled with warmth, laughter, and a lively spirit of togetherness, offering guests an afternoon of good company, delicious treats, and entertainment.

A delightful selection of tea and pastries was served throughout the day, with guests enjoying friendly conversation and light-hearted moments.

The programme featured music, dancing, and live entertainment from the (Triple) D's - featuring Debbie Williams, with plenty of opportunities for guests to join in the fun. Gavin "Jack" Thomas took the spotlight as the event's speaker, entertaining the crowd with his witty humour and delightful jokes, which had everyone laughing and smiling throughout the afternoon. A raffle added further excitement, while a playful dance activity—where participants' fates were decided by the toss of a coin—brought even more laughter and friendly competition to the floor.

The event celebrated not only the vibrancy of the island's senior citizens but also the strong sense of community that continues to bring people together year after year.

The Ladies Fundraising Group, organisers of the event, extended their heartfelt thanks to everyone who donated and supported their efforts. Without these thoughtful contributions, such a successful and memorable gathering may not have been possible.



Councillor Derek Thomas joined the event and lent a hand alongside staff in serving tea to the guests.



Comings and Goings. . .

Chief Justice Rupert Jones Calls it a Day

Advertised on SHG's public service jobs website is a vacancy for a Chief Justice. The advert says SHG is looking for a qualified Solicitor or Barrister from England and Wales, or Scotland, Northern Ireland, or a Commonwealth or European Union jurisdiction. Applicants must have a substantial background in civil and criminal work and authority to sit on cases involving serious sexual offences and on civil cases with a minimum of 30 days sitting experience. As the only Supreme Court Judge anyone interested is told, 'you must be prepared to deal with cases in unfamiliar legal areas and diversify your knowledge.'

The benefits package includes: £30k per annum Retainer, a Sitting Rate of £600 per day, £30 per day Subsistence, accommodation and utilities provided during on island visits, a pension contribution of 7.5% and chauffeur for official business on island and economy class travel to St Helena.

The deadline for applications is 20th November with interviews starting 1st December. The start date is 1st April for a 5-year contract.

Judge Rupert Jones was appointment started 1st January 2022, for an initial 5-year period. He is leaving before the end of his contract.

The Terms of Reference (TORs) also known as the Job Description is also available on the public service jobs website. In the Role and Person Specification section it is pointed out:

- Experience in dealing with serious criminal offences, particularly sexual offences, is essential.
- It is highly desirable that the successful candidate should also have some experience of clinical negligence/personal injury law.

Also included in the TOR is:

- Since September, 2009, the independence of the judiciary has been much better protected than previously. The Governor can only appoint or remove 'judicial officers' (judiciary of courts subordinate to the Supreme Court) on the advice of the Judicial Service Commission.
- The Chief Justice is also President of the Judicial Services Commission which is responsible for recommending the appointment of all judicial officers and equal rights commissioners to the Governor. As head of the judiciary the Chief Justice has oversight of the Chief and Lay Magistrates.

Here for Two Days Only. . .



**Hugh James
solicitors - from
left, Carlie
Englefield, Ruth
Powell and James
Mortimer**

Originally planning to be here for one week, the wind, low cloud and rain meant the three members of Hugh James' fifty-five strong clinical negligence team had a very busy two full days on this week's visit.

For the entire time they are here, they had back-to-back meetings with their many clients who are claiming compensation for Sergio Villatoro Bran's personal injury to his patients caused by clinical negligence.

The legislation passed at the last sitting of Legislative Council, aimed at specifically excluding Saints being able to obtain sufficiently qualified legal representation, will undoubtedly be top of the agenda. SHG is accused in this and other claims of liability. Widespread opinion is that SHG are manoeuvring to pay a lower rate of compensation than the opinion of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council indicates is reasonable. A legal challenge has been lodged, claiming the recent legislation is unconstitutional.

Ask the Ministry of Defensiveness a Simple Question

A UK Member of Parliament recently asked the Minister for Defence if his department plans to take steps to make it easier for people in the British Overseas Territories to enter officer training in the UK armed forces. The short answer is NO!

In the response, the word 'easier' was immediately switched to 'eligible'. The answer started with British Overseas Territory Citizens (BOTC) are already eligible to apply to join, we knew that, and there are no restrictions on the numbers who can serve as officers. The Royal Navy website recruitment page says the application window for Commonwealth residents is currently closed. That's a big restriction.

Then came the ifs and buts. Where an applicant, regardless of nationality, has not resided in the UK continuously for the required period prior to their application, additional checks may be needed. There is no 'may be' about it. Security, medical and fitness checks are 'required'. These checks are required both as part of the application process and again, if accepted, when arriving at HMS Raleigh, the Royal Navy training centre located firmly on land despite being called one of His Majesty's Ships.

Josh Herne, who started the new entrant training in the Royal Navy in September this year, is due to finish it in November. It does not take long to realise Josh has a mature head on his young shoulders. He is also someone who most people find likeable. Before departing St Helena for the Royal Navy, the St Helena Veterans Association marked his departure and presented him with a leaving gift.

It's not surprising then, that during his first months at HMS Raleigh he was asked informally why he was not on the officer training course. Despite being a British citizen and born in the UK this application window appears also to be closed. Worst of all, he is not on the fast-track route for training. This adds three years to Josh's progress towards training completion. On the brighter side, Josh has been allocated to further training in his first-choice profession.

Despite being a British citizen, born in the UK, living in St Helena has not done him any favours as far as Royal Navy recruitment is concerned. Another possible obstacle to overcome when persuading Saint families to return home.



John Healey, Secretary of State for Defence

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Playground Upgrade Works Start in December

Half Tree Hollow and Longwood to have children's playgrounds upgraded. They will be family-focused recreational areas.



indicative illustration

A multi-use games area will be provided at the Half Tree Hollow (Lower Graveyard) playground.



Half Tree Hollow play ground will also have outdoor gym equipment.

In August SHG Property Services announced the start of the Playgrounds Project. The aim is to transform two children's play areas into recreation areas for families. At Longwood Green and Half Tree Hollow (Lower Graveyard) play areas the scene will be set for adults to chill out while the children play, using vastly improved facilities.

The project started with asking people what they wanted. This included talking with children at New Horizons and extensive research into suitable play equipment. Children's health and wellbeing are blended into the upgrades with sport and exercise in mind.

The multi games area planned for Half Tree Hollow will accommodate various sports such as football, basketball, netball, hockey and soft cricket.

Playground Upgrade Works Start in December



Longwood Green will have a wide range of equipment, as shown here

To help adults relax while keeping an eye on their children, wooden benches, picnic areas and shade gazebos are planned. Communal recycling hubs will be close to hand. The playground project has a £113,000 budget funded from the Economic Development Investment Programme (EDIP) which, in turn, is funded by the UK government.

Additionally, in response to an appeal from SHG Property Services, a further £18,000 has been provided for the two multi-purpose recreational areas. Donations from local and international businesses and organisations have made it possible to provide useful

additional facilities at the two locations. The extra funds mean more was done make the areas attractive and comfortable outdoor socialising centres with something for everyone. The success of the appeal for extra funds is greatly appreciated by SHG Property Services.

It has been decided the appeal for funds will remain open for any other businesses, organisations or individuals who may wish to contribute towards the project. More communal facilities could be provided with additional funding.

In December preparatory work starts at Longwood Green and Half Tree Hollow. This will continue into January. The work includes vegetation / shrub removal, grass cutting and general tidying in readiness for playground equipment installation from February. Project completion will be by the end of March 2026. Anyone wishing to know more should contact Mike Durnford, Crown Estates Manager by email: mike.durnford@sainthelena.gov.sh.

Quick Smile



New Contract, New Company for Fishing Lobster for Tristan

Tristan da Cunha have awarded the lobster fishing contract to Fortuna. The Fortuna Group is a fishing quota and vessel owner in the Falklands, owning a fleet of factory freezer vessels producing a variety of frozen-at-sea products. They take over from Ovenstone Agencies (Pty) Ltd which has operated the Tristan da Cunha lobster Concession since 1999. Ovenstone's role was to catch and market the lobster quota. Fortuna will operate the Tristan lobster fishing concession from 2027.

James Wallace, Managing Director of Fortuna Ltd, visited Tristan recently. He was able to see a full week of lobster fishing on the island, after deciding to extend his stay. This gave him a valuable insight into the day-to-day running of the fishery. He became familiar with the factory operation, the fishermen and processing women, and was genuinely open to listening to everybody - anyone who wanted to share their thoughts or experiences.



James Wallace (front left) with members of the Tristan Island Council

A report from Tristan said his visit was a real success and left everyone feeling optimistic and excited for the new concession starting in 2027.



Mr Wallace said, upon departure. "The month I spent in Tristan wasn't nearly enough time to experience everything. We have had very positive feedback about

what Fortuna is doing to enhance the service - a more reliable link, greater comfort when Tristanians travel, and more income and opportunity for the island. We are very mindful of the island's way of life and culture, and it means a lot that the Council and community have welcomed our approach in that spirit.

The Chief Islander, Ian Lavarello, asked whether Fortuna will be visiting regularly - and that's exactly right: it's important to be accountable face-to-face to the community and the Council. We leave the island with a deep sense of accountability and affection for everyone there, and we are looking forward to the first voyage of the Ranger and the start of operations when the gong rings on 31 December 2026."

Meanwhile, this week in St Helena, the hospitality sector struggles to provide snacks and meals. "We cannot provide anything on the menu which includes fish" one provider was heard to tell customers. The fishing industry is organised not to work because of the business model imposed by government.

Fishing the Falkland Way

Salmon Farming Proposed as New Pillar of Falklands Economy

A proposal to establish salmon farming in the Falkland Islands is currently under review by the Falkland Islands Government with supporters suggesting the initiative could represent a new era of economic diversification.

Unity Marine, a joint venture between Falklands-based fishing company Fortuna and Danish aquaculture consultancy F-Land ApS, has submitted a plan to develop Atlantic salmon farming. The Falklands offers geographic conditions similar to established salmon farming regions such as the Faroe Islands, Shetland and Orkney, including sheltered bays, coastal inlets and cool sea temperatures.

Unity Marine has committed £5 million to the exploration phase, with over half of the expenditure to be invested locally. Its plans include eight farm sites between 3–7 km offshore on both sides of East Falklands, where the territory's main military base is located

Unity Marine managing director James Wallace said “The Falklands are ideally suited to salmon farming, and a vibrant sector would diversify the economy, contribute to the public purse through taxes and licence fees, and help create future security and prosperity for the community,” If approved, the company aims to eventually produce 50,000 tonnes of Atlantic salmon using conventional sea pens supported by remote feeding barges. Eggs and feed would be imported, and power would be supplied via two wind turbines and a back-up generator, with solar energy also under consideration.

Mr Wallace said the initiative could address depopulation in outlying areas, by providing long-term employment and incentives for younger islanders to return after overseas education—drawing a parallel with the Faroe Islands.

Falklands Visit by Shetland Salmon Expert

John Goodlad, a former fish farmer, visited the Falklands recently to join a public discussion on fish farming. Mr Goodlad is an advisor to two seafood investment funds. He told local media, “I am not here to be an apologist for salmon farming and I am not in the Falklands to say that the Falklanders should become salmon farmers. That's your decision. What I am here to do is to try to help you with that debate.”

After asserting there is no pollution nor any other adverse effect on the marine ecosystem he added, “There are far more tourists coming to Shetlands now than ever before. We still have wonderful natural beauty and tour operators now fit in stops at the salmon and mussels' farms as part of their tours.

“If we are going to feed the world, we've got 8 billion people on the planet and in a short time 11 billion by 2050, where do we get all that extra food from? If we are going to get it from the land, we are going to have to cut down more rainforests. If you want to do your personal bit for trying to save our planet you should eat more fish!”

However, during a familiarisation visit by Falklanders to the Faroe Islands the Faroese Environment Agency said several fjords where salmon had previously been farmed, have now been deemed too polluted by salmon farm effluent to sustain the industry there, and that companies are forced to seek new sites that are ever farther out at sea, where the ocean currents are stronger. Other impacts include sea lice, farmed salmon escapes, plastic debris and the use of chemicals.

Fishing the Falkland Way

Falklands Squid Abundance Forecast Based on Ocean conditions

A new study has developed a model to forecast the abundance of squid in Falkland Islands waters, highlighting how environmental variability drives key fluctuations in squid populations.

Using datasets with advanced modelling techniques they found sea temperature and zooplankton are the primary drivers of squid abundance, while sea surface height variations and ocean eddies also play influential roles.

“By linking squid density directly to specific oceanographic variables, our model improves the prediction accuracy of seasonal shifts, offering fisheries a more dynamic tool,” said lead author Dr. Tobias Buring.

Understanding the nature of sea eddies and the effect of sea temperature on zooplankton help produce essential information for the Falkland squid fishing industry. Squid fishing is a critical part of the Falkland economy, generating substantial income through fishing licenses and exports. It is subject to cyclical and environmental variations which the forecasting model is expected to help anticipate.

New Falklands Port Facility

The Falkland Islands Government (FIG) has announced key contracts which are major milestones in the delivery of a new port facility for the Falkland Islands. After a previous false start, the project that will replace the ageing FIPASS structure, playing a vital role in the Islands’ economic future. The total value of the contracts that have been signed is £109m. This is not the total cost of the project, as there are additional elements still being finalised, but it represents the vast majority of the cost.

The need for modern, reliable port infrastructure in Stanley has long been recognised. Over the past two decades, numerous studies and reports have confirmed that the port is an essential enabler for the Falkland Islands economy. The Falklands based shipping company welcomed the new port facility development plans, “this will provide security to the present and future of a critical lifeline for the import and export trade of the Islands economy”.

Falklands, new energy vision - 100% renewable by 2045

A new vision for how the Falkland Islands will achieve its energy ambitions has been approved by Executive Council. The new Energy Strategy and Implementation Plan outlines the path for the Falkland Islands to reach 100% renewable energy provision by 2045.

Falklands Portfolio Holder for Environment and Public Infrastructure, said: “We have already taken important early steps towards achieving the Energy Strategy and Implementation Plan with the development of a new power station and the joint renewable energy project with British Forces South Atlantic Islands to purchase and install new wind turbines.”



Legal Fight Over £1.3 Billion Falklands & Ascension Contract

The UK Ministry of Defence is in the High Court defending a case brought by Mitie (Defence) Ltd over a contract the MOD awarded to German planning and building specialist FEPS GmbH. Mitie claim the procurement process was flawed.

Mitie has supplied management services to the MOD for people living and working in the Falklands and Ascension for the last 25 years. Its current contract expires in April 2027.

Mitie claims FEPS will not be able to deliver the contract based on its current financial position, and it is unclear how the MoD satisfied itself that it could do so. Previous contracts awarded to FEPS have typically been for less than €100,000 and were for goods and services such as equipment rental, logistics and portable lavatories.

The MOD's assessment of Mitie's own tender said that one of the company's statements led to a lack of clarity and consistency. The company was twice afforded the opportunity to clarify its bid, but Mitie still failed to demonstrate that its tender response was compliant.

The MOD also say FEPS' lack of prior experience should not have disqualified it from the bidding for the contract. FEPS has relevant prior experience delivering services in "complex and demanding operational contexts" with the German Armed Forces and NATO, which helped its bid. The argument goes on.

Acting Director of Police Appointed

Richard Ullger started work as Acting Director of Police on 8th September. The job title probably more familiar to most is Chief Constable. Mr Ullger is 'acting', it is not a fixed term contract. Instead of an end date it is until further notice.

Mr Ullger was previously Commissioner of Police for the Royal Gibraltar Police for 37 years. After an inspection by His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary, he introduced sweeping changes in the Gibraltar Police during the last 5 years of his employment. The changes are reported to include an emphasis on good leadership, the principles of policing and the standards of behaviour, crime recording, improved services to victims of crime.

He retired in April of this year, after which he served for a short period as the Temporary Chief in the Royal Falkland Islands Police.

More Comings and Goings – Announcements for September

- Jodi Joshua was appointed a Lay Advocate last month
- Dr Jason Thomas is appointed to practice medicine and surgery in St Helena from 22nd November
- Simon Paul Wade will be Acting Harbour Master until a substantive Harbour Master is appointed
- Dr Laivan Pillay and Dr Vincent Pretorius were appointed last month to practice medicine and surgery
- Andrew Turner is no longer Chairman of the Employment Rights Committee. He is now Minister for Education, Skills and Employment
- Jason Lawrence was appointed the Fire Chief a month ago (Acting Director of Fire? No, doesn't work)
- Fifty businesses were struck off the St Helena Register of Companies at the end of September because of failure to send an Annual Return to the Registrar as required, despite a 90-day notice of default

Questions in the House of Commons

Andrew Rosindell MP asked what discussions were held with the Governor of St Helena on his signification of the Saint Helena Civil Litigation (Costs) Ordinance 2025.

The minister for the Overseas Territories responded; This legislation is currently subject to an ongoing judicial review. The Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office does not comment on ongoing legal proceedings.

Sir Andrew Mitchell MP asked what recent discussions the minister has had with the Chief Minister of Saint Helena on the unfreezing of pension benefits for entitled residents.

The response was, officials are engaging closely with the new Government of St Helena on the issue of pensions, alongside other issues. (nothing has ever happened)

The UK minister added, I look forward to welcoming the new Chief Minister to the UK-Overseas Territories Joint Ministerial Council in London in November 2025, and discussing our priorities for the partnership between the United Kingdom and St Helena. (partnership?)

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You are also reminded to stay hydrated and drink plenty of water before and during the Service; you may also need a sunhat if it is a hot day.

Please contact Crystal Maggott on telephone number 22470 at the Castle if further information is required.





Dear Editor

We are sure everyone on St Helena would like to know about Dan Yon's documentary about Sathima Bea Benjamin that was shown in South Africa on the 13th October. Sathima is a descendant of one of the many St Helena families who emigrated to the Cape.

This is one of three documentaries Dan has made. The other two concern 100 men who were sent to work in Copper mines in South Africa in 1907 and another 100 men that were sent to work on farms in England in 1949. All three documentaries reflect St Helena's history and the movement of

Island people having to deal with conditions on St Helena. The documentaries also show Dan's interest and commitment in presenting them in a way that reflects personal and Island experiences of life. He also draws on his professional experiences and expertise in education on St Helena, Zimbabwe and latterly at York University in Toronto, Canada where he became a Professor of Social Anthropology.

Dan's career in education on St Helena included being Head of Secondary Selective School.

With his keen interest in history, he took a leading role in establishing the Heritage Society. This included the setting up of a Museum which at the time occupied 2 rooms on the ground floor and basement of Broadway House.

Professor Dan Yon should be congratulated in having his documentary recognised and promoted.

Best regards
Basil and Barbara George



Windsong is lyrical portrait of the life of St Helena born jazz singer Sathima Bea Benjamin. Shot in New York and Cape Town, it is a celebration of Benjamin's work, a meditation on jazz and diaspora. In her Chelsea Hotel apartment, her home for over thirty years, she patches together her journeys: from apartheid South Africa and its 'pattern of brokenness'; to Europe and a chance meeting and recording with Duke Ellington; and later a fresh start in New York. Her narrative is interwoven with her music and the reflections of others. Much like her haunting song, Windsong, the film is an eloquent meditation on displacement, exile and belonging.

Taking Care of a Child with Hand with Foot and Mouth Disease Clarification

Various health-related websites offer advice on treatment and recovery from all kinds of diseases. Often, there are slight variations in the advice given. The NHS website gives clear advice on when a child has recovered sufficiently from hand, foot and mouth to return to normal life. This includes:

Staying off school or nursery

Keep your child off school or nursery while they're feeling too unwell to go.

But as soon as they're feeling better, they can go back to school or nursery. There's no need to wait until all the blisters have healed.

Keeping your child away from other children for longer is unlikely to stop the illness spreading.



15 Minutes a Day: How Microlearning Can Transform Your Future on St. Helena– Written By *Ed Oyewo*

We all know the feeling. You want to learn something new, maybe pick up digital marketing skills, improve your English, or understand bookkeeping for that small business idea you've been thinking about. But between work, family, and everything else happening in our busy lives here on the island, finding time for a full course feels impossible. Here's the good news: you don't need hours every day to build valuable skills. Welcome to the world of microlearning, where just 15 minutes a day can genuinely change your career prospects and open doors you thought were closed.

Think of microlearning as the difference between climbing Jacob's Ladder in one exhausting go versus taking it section by section with breaks in between. Instead of sitting through long lectures or thick textbooks, microlearning breaks knowledge into small, focused chunks that you can tackle in the time it takes to have a cup of tea. It could be watching a five-minute YouTube tutorial on Excel formulas during your lunch break, listening to a podcast about customer service while walking from Jamestown to the Wharf, or completing a quick lesson on a language app before bed. The beauty is in its flexibility.

Let's be honest about our situation here. St. Helena is remote, beautiful, and full of potential, but we also face unique challenges. Job opportunities can be limited. Professional training courses aren't always available locally. And when they are, they often require commitments that clash with work schedules or family responsibilities. This is exactly where microlearning shines. You don't need to travel anywhere. You don't need to rearrange your entire life. You just need your phone, a bit of internet data, and a commitment to yourself for 15 minutes a day.

So what can you actually learn in these bite-sized sessions? More than you might think. Young Saints are already using microlearning to build skills that matter in our economy and beyond.

Tourism and Hospitality: With cruise ships coming to our shores and tourism growing, skills in customer service, tour guiding, and hospitality management are incredibly valuable. Apps like Coursera and FutureLearn offer short modules on these exact topics. Fifteen minutes today on "How to Handle Difficult Customers" could make you the standout candidate for that Saints Tours position tomorrow.

Digital Skills: Whether you're interested in working for the local government, starting an online business, or even working remotely for overseas companies (more on that later), digital literacy is non-negotiable. Microlearning platforms teach everything from basic Microsoft Office to social media marketing, graphic design, and even coding. Imagine being able to create professional flyers for local businesses or manage their Instagram accounts as a side income.

Conservation and Environment: Our island's unique ecosystem is one of our greatest assets. Online microlearning courses on conservation, sustainable tourism, and environmental management could prepare you for roles with St. Helena National Trust, the Environmental Management Directorate, or eco-tourism ventures.



You might be wondering if 15 minutes is really enough to learn anything meaningful. The answer, according to research, is a resounding yes. Our brains actually learn better in short, focused bursts than in long, exhausting sessions.

Getting Started: A Practical Guide for Saints– Ready to give this a try?

Choose One Skill: Don't try to learn five things at once. Pick one skill that would genuinely improve your life or career. Maybe it's improving your English writing for job applications, learning basic photography to showcase St. Helena's beauty online, or understanding social media for business.

Find Your Platform: There are loads of free and affordable options. YouTube is completely free and has tutorials on virtually everything. Duolingo works well for languages even with patchy internet. LinkedIn Learning, Coursera, and Udemy offer courses you can often access affordably. Even BBC Bitesize has resources for adults, not just schoolchildren.

Set a Specific Time: This is crucial. "I'll do it when I have time" never works. Instead, pick an actual time. Maybe it's 7:00 AM before work with your morning coffee, during your lunch break at the Castle, or 8:00 PM after dinner. Treat it like an appointment with yourself.

Start Ridiculously Small: Don't aim for 30 minutes on day one. Start with just five minutes if that's all you can manage. The goal is to build a habit, not to burn yourself out in week one. Once five minutes becomes easy, naturally stretch it to 10, then 15.

Track Your Progress: Keep a simple note on your phone or a notebook by your bed. Just write the date and what you learned. Watching this list grow is surprisingly motivating. After a month, you'll be amazed at how much you've covered.

Your Challenge: Start Today– So here's my challenge to every young person reading this: choose one skill you want to develop. Find one free resource online. And commit to just 15 minutes today. Not tomorrow. Not next week when things calm down. Today. Maybe you'll discover you hate it, and that's fine. Try something else tomorrow. But maybe, just maybe, you'll discover that 15 minutes a day adds up to something remarkable. In three months, that's over 22 hours of learning. In a year? Nearly 100 hours of new skills and knowledge. The power is literally in your pocket, in your phone. The time is there, even in our busy lives. The only question is: will you take those 15 minutes for yourself?

St. Helena's future is being built right now, not by politicians or big companies, but by individual Saints making small, consistent investments in themselves. Your 15 minutes today could be the first step toward the career, the business, or the life you've been dreaming about.

The ladder might be tall, but you only need to climb one step at a time.

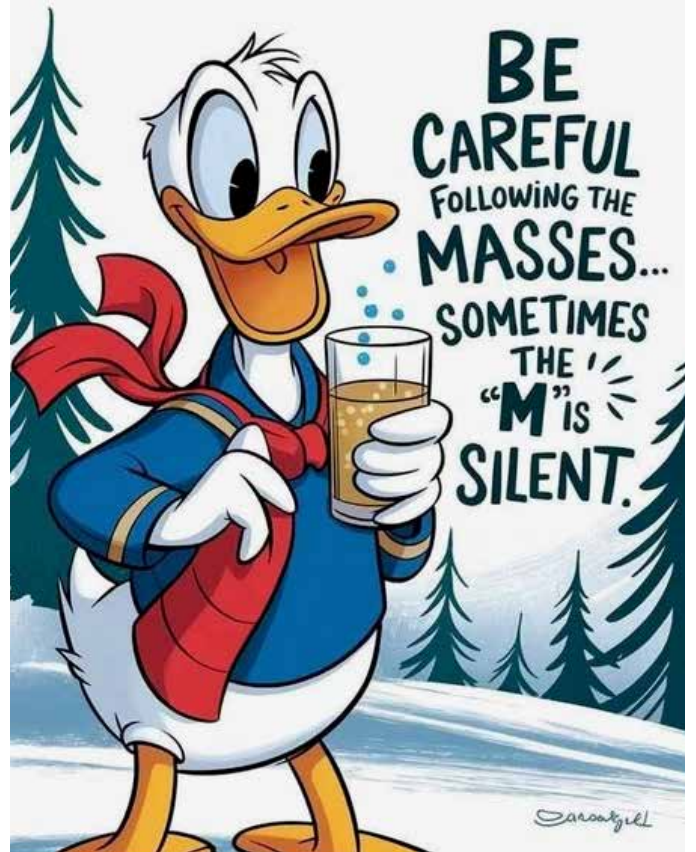
Till Next Time, keep Well.

Laugh with Donald!

AROUND THIS TIME IN 2020
WE COULDN'T FIND
TOILET PAPER.
NOW WE CAN'T AFFORD IT.



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CAREFUL
FOLLOWING THE
MASSES...
SOMETIMES
THE
"M" IS
SILENT.



Diocese of St Helena

The Parish of St Paul's

Sunday 2nd November 2025 – All Saints

8.00 a.m.	Eucharist	Cathedral
9.30 a.m.	Eucharist	Cathedral
8.00 a.m.	Eucharist	St Peter

Monday 3rd November

7.00 p.m.	All Souls Requiem Mass	Cathedral
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Thursday 6th November

7.00 p.m.	Praise and Worship	St Andrew
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The Parish of St James

Sunday 2nd November 2025 – All Saints

9.30 a.m.	Eucharist	St James
3.30 p.m.	Eucharist	St Michael

Monday 3rd November

7.00 p.m.	All Souls Requiem Mass	St James
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Thursday 6th November

7.00 p.m.	Eucharist with Healing	St John
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The Parish of St Matthew

Sunday 2nd November 2025 – All Saints

11.15 a.m.	Eucharist	St Mark
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Monday 3rd November

7.00 p.m.	All Souls Requiem Mass	St Mark
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Tuesday 4th November

7.00 p.m.	70x7 Forgiveness	St Mark
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BAHA'I FAITH HE IS THE GLORY OF GLORIES



O SON OF THE SUPREME !

To the eternal I call thee, yet thou dost seek that which perisheth. What hath made thee turn away from Our desire and seek thine own ?

O SON OF MAN !

Transgress not thy limits, nor claim that which beseemeth thee not. Prostrate thyself before the countenance of thy God, the Lord of might and power.

O SON OF BEING !

Ascribe not to any soul that which thou wouldst not have ascribed to thee, and say not that which thou doest not. This is My command unto thee, do thou observe it.

O SON OF SPIRIT !

With the joyful tidings of light I hail thee: rejoice! To the court of holiness I summon thee; abide therein that thou mayest live in peace for evermore.

*If the Baha'i Faith may be of interest to you,
please phone Delia or Cliff Huxtable 24342*



PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

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INVITATION TO TENDER

Viewing Deck & Bird Hides at the Millennium Forest

St Helena Government would like to invite suitably experienced contractors to submit tenders for the following contract:

CS-1988-SHG – Viewing Deck & Bird Hides at the Millennium Forest

A site visit to view the works will take place on Tuesday, 04 November 2025, at 10:00, meeting at the Millennium Forest.

Contractors should note that site visits requested after this date will not be entertained unless there is a relevant reason why the contractor could not attend the scheduled site visit.

Copies of the tender document and further details can be obtained from the Procurement Officer, on telephone no: 25932 or via email tiffany.lawrence@sainthelena.gov.sh.

Completed tenders should be placed in the Tender Box located on the Top Floor, Post Office Building by 12:00 on Thursday, 13 November 2025, clearly marked **"Tender CS-1988-SHG"**.

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

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27 October 2025



INVITATION TO TENDER

Proposed Roof Reconstruction and Replacement Building 1 – Sawmill

St Helena Government would like to invite suitably experienced contractors to submit tenders for the following contract:

ENRP8-2025/26 – Proposed Roof Reconstruction and Replacement Building 1 - Sawmill

A site visit to view the works will take place on Monday, 10 November 2025, at 09:00, meeting at the Sawmill at Scotland, St Pauls.

Contractors should note that site visits requested after this date will not be entertained unless there is a relevant reason why the contractor could not attend the scheduled site visit.

Copies of the tender document and further details can be obtained from the Procurement Officer, on telephone no: 25932 or via email tiffany.lawrence@sainthelena.gov.sh.

Completed tenders should be placed in the Tender Box located on the Top Floor, Post Office Building by 12:00 on Wednesday, 19 November 2025, clearly marked **"Tender ENRP8-2025/26"**.

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

SHG
27 October 2025



INVITATION TO TENDER

New Prison Project

St Helena Government would like to invite suitably qualified contractors to submit tenders for site excavation and haulage for the new Prison site within the Longwood area – Bottom Woods:

CS-1946-SHG – Site Excavation & Haulage

A site visit to view the works will take place on Monday, 10 November 2025, at 09:00, meeting at "Reggies" in Bottom Woods

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/asp/Home> following registration on the system. User guides are available via the 'Supplier Information' tab to assist prospective contractors registering on the e-procurement system.

If contractors would like a hard copy of the tender documentation, they should contact the Project Manager, James Hayton, on tel no: 22270 or email: James.Hayton@sainthelena.gov.sh.

Tender submissions should be made via the e-procurement system, with the tender deadline being Wednesday, 26 November at 12:00.

Contractors should note that this tender is not being advertised overseas.

NOTE TO EDITOR:

This project has been approved for funding under the UK funded Economic Development Investment Programme (EDIP), in partnership with the FCD0.

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22 October 2025

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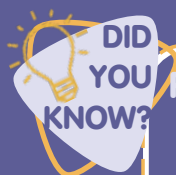




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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Road Resurfacing Project – November Schedule

The Roads Section would like to inform the public of further upcoming essential resurfacing works scheduled to begin in November 2025. These improvements are vital for maintaining the quality and safety of St Helena's road network. With effect from Tuesday 4 November, the Roads Section will be carrying out slurry work with the micro paver on the eastern side of the island. Please note the following key closure details:

Schedule of November 2025 Roadworks			
Road Closures	Dates	Daily Closure Time	Diversion Routes
Tomb Road to Hutt's Gate	Tuesday 4 November to Saturday 15 November 2025	09:00 to 15:00	- The Dungeon via Gordon's Post. - Haul Road
Bottom Woods to Longwood Gate	Monday 17 November 2025 to Monday 26 January 2026		Haul Road
Longwood Gate to Hutt's Gate	Wednesday 28 January to Saturday 07 March 2026		Haul Road

These works will affect regular public transport routes and may impact Emergency Services response times during the daily closure hours. We are working to complete this project as quickly as possible to minimise disruption.

Please be aware that on certain days, road closures may extend beyond the scheduled hours depending on progress and weather conditions.

All motorists are advised to expect delays when travelling through or around these

areas during working hours. Please exercise extreme caution and strictly follow all posted signage and instructions from on-site staff.

The Roads Section would like to thank the public in advance for their co-operation, patience and understanding as these essential improvements are carried out.

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28 October 2025
www.sainthelena.gov.sh

Expression of interest - Content Creators



We are compiling a list of on-island content creators who are interested in being contacted for potential collaboration to create fresh, engaging, and inspiring content.

If you're passionate about St Helena, creativity, and storytelling, we want to hear from you. Please complete the form at the following link:
<https://forms.gle/o31oSJMhERU6j5K66>

You'll be asked to provide:

- Your name and contact information
- A short introduction about yourself and why you would like to create content about St Helena
- Links to your portfolio or past work
- Any specific areas of interest or expertise

We look forward to connecting with individuals who are keen to collaborate.

For further information, contact tyanne.williams@sainthelena.gov.sh



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HOW TO APPLY

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alternatively, these are available in paper format from Central Human Resources and Organisational Development at The Castle, Jamestown.

For further information, please contact the recruitment team on telephone number **22470** or via the email address below.

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To be considered for our vacancies, you must complete our application form. Please do not submit your CV.

Pensions & Payroll Manager

(£16,248 per annum)

Plus Market Enhancement of £2,000 per annum (pro-rata)

Do you possess strong interpersonal skills and have experience in working in an accounting or finance related role? If so, Treasury has an opportunity to join their Central Finance team as the Pensions & Payroll Manager. In this role, you will be required to administer all pensions work related to the two schemes related the Public Service and overseeing the efficient day to day running of the Payroll section.

Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: Nicholas Yon on Tel No. 22470 or Email: nicholas.yon@sainthelena.gov.sh

Closing date: 07 November 2025

Shortlisting date: 12 November 2025

Interview date: 25 November 2025

Land Registry Officer

(£13,569 per annum)

Do you possess strong interpersonal skills and have experience in working in a customer focused environment and the ability to understand complex legal documents? If so, the Economic Development Portfolio has an opportunity for you to join their team. You will be responsible for the management of Land Registry functions which include: preparation of Land Registry documents in respect of Private Transfers, Statutory Declarations and Easements. Main duties and responsibilities also include preparation of Residential and Commercial Leases, Licences and Transfer documents for Crown Land.

Contact us for more information and a discussion

Enquiries: Mike Durnford on Tel No. 22270 or Email: mike.durnford@sainthelena.gov.sh

Closing date: 10 November 2025

Shortlisting date: 13 November 2025

Interview date: 25 November 2025

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Postal Officer (£10,088 per annum)

Are you a highly motivated individual with good teamwork and interpersonal skills? If so, the Post & Customer Services Centre has an opportunity for you to join their team. Duties of the post include responsibility for the receipt and delivery of all international mail to and from vessels and aircraft and assisting with the sorting and issuing of local and international mail; including preparation of relevant documentation correctly, deliver mail posted for recorded delivery, responsible for providing statistical data, maintain the condition of post boxes and vehicles.

Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: Naomi Young on Tel No. 22008 or Email: naomi.young@sainthelena.gov.sh

Closing date: 07 November 2025

Shortlisting date: 12 November 2025

Interview date: 26 November 2025

Teacher - Science (SHSS) (£12,432 – £20,645 per annum)

Do you have a passion for education and a love of science? We are seeking a dedicated and enthusiastic Teacher of Science to join our team and inspire the next generation of learners. In this role, you will deliver engaging and high-quality teaching across Key Stages 3, 4, and 5, helping students develop both academically and personally. You will plan, prepare, and teach well-structured, differentiated lessons that spark curiosity and foster scientific thinking. You will also set meaningful home learning tasks that consolidate learning and support steady progress. We're looking for a teacher who can bring science to life, encouraging students to question, explore, and understand the world around them. If you are passionate about creating positive learning experiences and committed to helping every student achieve their potential, we would love to hear from you

Contact us for more information and a discussion

Enquiries: Phil Toal on Tel No. 24290 or Email: phil.toal@sainthelena.gov.sh

Closing date: 14 November 2025

Shortlisting date: 19 November 2025

Interview date: 27 November 2025

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Emergency Medical Technician – 1 year fixed term with the opportunity to extend £16,248 per annum

As an EMT, you'll respond to emergencies, deliver clinical care across community and hospital settings, and take responsibility for the Emergency Department in the absence of a senior clinician. You'll provide care in line with JRCALC and UK Resuscitation Council guidelines, ensuring safe, high-quality, and compassionate care for every patient. The role includes on-call duties, unsocial hours, and opportunities to support service development and training. This is an opportunity to use your skills in a challenging but rewarding environment where teamwork, adaptability, and professionalism are key. You will be part of a service that plays an essential role in supporting the island's health and wellbeing.

Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: Michael Gaga-Hale on Tel No. 22500 or Email michael.gaga-hale@sainthelena.gov.sh

Closing date: 10 November 2025

Shortlisting date: 12 November 2025

Interview date: 21 November 2025

Forest Worker £10,088 per annum

The Forestry Section is looking to recruit a Forest Worker to provide support for a labour service under the supervision of the Nursery Chargehand, Silviculture Officer, or Forestry Officer. The role involves primarily all aspects of tree seedling production but does include performing manual forestry tasks, which encompass land clearing, control of invasive and alien plant species, ground preparation, planting, thinning, pruning, fencing, cleaning, and the harvesting of sawlogs, firewood, and fence posts, as specified by the relevant line manager. Contact us for information and a discussion.

Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: Myra Young on Tel No. 24724 or Email myra.young@sainthelena.gov.sh

Closing date: 13 November 2025

Shortlisting date: 18 November 2025

Interview date: 26 November 2025

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Introducing the St Helena Built Heritage Grant Scheme



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What is the St Helena Built Heritage Grant Scheme?

The scheme is funded by the Tourism Development Programme, the aim is to provide financial assistance towards the conservation of buildings in the Jamestown Conservation area. Grant awards give particular attention to buildings of historic and architectural merit and applications where urgent and important conservation work is judged to be necessary, emphasis is placed on increasing the visual appeal of buildings.

Who is eligible and how much can you apply for?

Applications for funding are welcome from owners of heritage property in the Jamestown Conservation Area; this usually means, but is not limited to, listed buildings as catalogued in the Crallan Report.

The funding pot is limited at £50,000, so the grants are capped at £5,000 per application and must be match funded.

How to Apply

For an application form, list of criteria and information required for an application, contact museum@helanta.co.sh or call us on 22845.

If you are unsure of your eligibility or whether your project will meet our criteria for funding then contact us for a consultation.

Register your interest now

If you register your interest in applying for a grant before 14th November, the deadline for your completed application will be 30th November.

No new applications can be considered after 14th November.

FROM THE COUCH

Contributed by Leigh & Louis

Match of the week, chosen and reported on by 10 year old Football Enthusiast Louis this week was Saturdays game between Fourth Place Sunderland and Chelsea.

Chemsdine Talbi scored in second-half stoppage-time to propel Sunderland to a 2-1 comeback victory over Chelsea and lift them to second in the Premier League.

The Black Cats substitute snatched all three points in the third minute of stoppage time at Stamford Bridge, where Wilson Isidor had cancelled out Alejandro Garnacho's early effort.

Garnacho fired the Blues in front with his first goal for the club, and the quickest scored by Enzo Maresca's side in the top flight this season.

Yet Chelsea were pegged back by Isidor's fourth league goal of the campaign, and after withstanding what their hosts could throw at them in the second half, Sunderland sealed a memorable triumph thanks to Talbi's neat first-time finish.

Sunderland are now on 17 points, just two behind leaders Arsenal, with Chelsea three points back in seventh place.

Chelsea not only saw their four-match winning streak in all competitions brought to an abrupt end, they also missed the chance to apply some pressure to leaders Arsenal.



Friday 24th	Leeds	2	1	West Ham
Saturday 25th	Chelsea	1	2	Sunderland
Saturday 25th	Newcastle	2	1	Fulham
Saturday 25th	Man United	4	2	Brighton
Saturday 25th	Brentford	3	2	Liverpool
Sunday 26th	Arsenal	1	0	Crystal Palace
Sunday 26th	Aston Villa	1	0	Man City
Sunday 26th	Bournemouth	2	0	Nott'm Forest
Sunday 26th	Wolves	2	3	Burnley
Sunday 26th	Everton	0	3	Tottenham



Saturday 1st	15:00	Brighton	vs	Leeds
Saturday 1st	15:00	Burnley	vs	Arsenal
Saturday 1st	15:00	Crystal Palace	vs	Brentford
Saturday 1st	15:00	Fulham	vs	Wolves
Saturday 1st	15:00	Nott'm Forest	vs	Man United
Saturday 1st	17:30	Tottenham	vs	Chelsea
Saturday 1st	20:00	Liverpool	vs	Aston Villa
Sunday 2nd	14:00	West Ham	vs	Newcastle
Sunday 2nd	16:30	Man City	vs	Bournemouth
Monday 3rd	20:00	Sunderland	vs	Everton

We will be back next week with all the latest from the Premier League

FOLLOW THE SHFA SEASON 2025

Every week we will bring you the latest results, table standings and all information relating to the SHFA football season 2025.

FOOTBALL RESULTS

This weekend saw all fixtures played on Sunday and Intergalactic was deducted a point for failing to provide a linesman on Sunday 11:30am game.

Sunday 26th October Rovers 8 – Fugees 0

Goalscorers Rovers — Toure Osborne 4, Blaize Baldwin 2, Rico Benjamin, Own Goal

Man of Match—Toure Osborne (Rovers)

TOP 5 GOALSCORERS

Sunday 26th October Bellboys 4— Wirebirds 1

Goalscorers Bellboys — Ryan Benjamin, Joey Thomas, Scott Henry, Taylan Phillips

Goalscorers Wirebirds— Brandon Harris

Man of the Match— Ryan Benjamin (Bellboys)

Young Player of the Match—Edson Stevens (Wirebirds)

NAME	TEAM	GOALS
Joey Thomas	Bellboys	58
Kyle Shoesmith	Wirebirds	29
Blaize Baldwin	Rovers	29
Taylan Phillips	Bellboys	20
Tyler Brady	Bellboys	16
Lars Williams	Fugees	16
Sean Lee Thomas	Wirebirds	16
Jorden Johnson	Le verde	14
Rico Benjamin	Rovers	14
Tyler Anthony	Le Verde	14

Sunday 26th October Le Verde 9— Intergalactic 0

Goalscorers Le Verde — Ryan Stevens 3, Tyler Anthony 2, Paul Teyang 2, Harry Winfield, Jordan Yon

Man of the Match— Gareth Drabble (Intergalactic)

Young Player of the Match—Ephraim Stroud

FOOTBALL TABLE

TEAM	PLAYED	WIN	DRAW	LOST	G/FOR	G/AGAINST	G/DIFFERENCE	POINTS
Bellboys	12	12	0	0	137	8	129	37
Rovers	12	9	0	3	86	22	64	27
Wirebirds	13	7	1	5	108	32	76	22
La Verde	13	5	1	7	57	65	-8	13
Fugees	12	3	0	9	36	71	-35	9
Inter Galactic	12	0	0	12	2	228	-226	-1

Sunday 1st November @ 11:30pm

Le Verde vs Bellboys

UPCOMING FIXTURES

Sunday 2nd November @ 1:30pm

Wirebirds vs Rovers

Sunday 2nd November @ 3:30pm

Intergalactic vs Fugees

FOLLOW THE JUNIOR LEAGUE SEASON 2025

Every week we will bring you the latest results, table standings and all information relating to the Junior League football season 2025.

KNOCKOUT **PRELIMINARY ROUNDS**

New Horizons FC 0 – 23 Young Gunners

Goalscorers Young Gunners – Lamar Peters 13, Kian Stroud 8, Dillion Richards 2

POM— Gilby Edwards (New Horizons FC)

Lamar Peters (Young Gunners)

Golden Gladiators 3 – 4 Monarchs

Goalscorers Golden Gladiators – Levi Williams , Kayden Scott, Ephrem Stroud

Goalscorers Monarchs— Harry Winfield 2, Zach Francis, Aiden

POM—Levi Williams (Golden Gladiators)

POM - Harry Winfield (Monarchs)

SEMI FINAL 1

Young Gunners 24 – 1 Dabbing Devils

Goalscorers Young Gunners – Lamar Peters 11, Kian Stroud 10, Seth Lawrence 2, Own Goal

Goalscorers Dabbing Devils—Sandro Henry

POM—Kian Stroud (Young Gunners)

Tommy Yon (Dabbing Devils)

Monarchs 8 – 4 Flix

Goalscorers Monarchs – Harry Winfield 4, Hugo Richards 2, Zach Francis, Bethany Bennett

Goalscorers Flix – Joel Peters 2, Lebron George, Own Goal

POM—Harry Winfield (Monarchs)

Joel Peters (Flix)

SEMI FINAL 2

Rumblers 17 – 0 New Horizons Stars

Goalscorers Rumblers – Cruz Williams 8, Ozel Stevens 3, Alexis Williams 2, Coen Leo, Luton Yon, Conan Sim, Brydon McDaniel

POM—Cruz Williams (Rumblers)

POM—Nathan Newman (New Horizons Stars)

Black Mambas 8—2 Vikings

Goalscorers Black Mambas— Dirk Peters Benjamin 3, Tyler Anthony 2, Lukas Robbertse, Callum O'Dean

Goalscorers Vikings – Louie Yon, Robson Fabian

POM—Dirk Peters-Benjamin (Black Mambas)

POM—Nathan Thomas (Vikings)

UPCOMING FIXTURES

3rd PLAYOFFS	1PM	New Horizons FC vs Dabbing Devils
3rd PLAYOFFS	1:15PM	New Horizons Stars vs New Horizons FC
3rd PLAYOFFS	1:30PM	Dabbing Devils vs New Horizons Stars
FINAL	1:45PM	Young Gunners vs Rumblers
3rd PLAYOFFS	1PM	Vikings vs Golden Gladiators
3rd PLAYOFFS	1:15PM	Golden Gladiators vs Flix
3rd PLAYOFFS	1:30PM	Flix vs Vikings
FINAL	1:45PM	Monarchs vs Black Mambas

**ALL KNOCKOUT FINALS
WILL BE PLAYED ON**

SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER

**ALL PLAYERS & PARENTS
ARE ENCOURAGED TO
WATCH ALL FINALS.**

ASCENSION ISLAND FOOTBALL

Wow! What a tournament. After a 5 week league, it was time for the highly anticipated Double Elimination Knock Out Tournament, and boy did the players not disappoint. The sun was shining as the Grease Monkeys took on the league winners, Falcons for game 1. The Grease Monkey's already at a disadvantage with only 5 players, they fought hard against the youth of the Falcons, but unfortunately lost 4:1.

Game 2 of the afternoon saw Runners Up Slippery Balls take on Goal Diggers in another fast paced game. The energy of Slippery Balls was no match for the Goal Diggers, and they lost 4:0.



Falcons

Game 5 saw Falcons take on the Goal Diggers. With all to play for as the loser of this game was getting knocked out. Falcons played strongly, scoring 2 goals, while Goal Diggers failed to get past the defence of the young team.

Game 6 saw another team knocked out, when Rigger Boots took on Grease Monkeys. With some late tournament transfers from knocked out Goal Diggers, Grease Monkeys were able to field 6 players. This new found strength in numbers for the team helped to keep Grease Monkeys in the tournament, with a 2:1 win.



Grease Monkeys



Two Boats N Hoes

Game 3 saw Two Boats N Hoes take on Falcons in a closely fought game, with both teams showing good skills. With an even score at half time, penalties were the only way to determine the winner. After a tense shoot out, Two Boats N Hoes took the lead.

Rigger Boots and Slippery Balls kicked off Game 4 with another fast-paced game. Rigger Boots showed good skills, but struggled to get past Slippery Balls defence, losing 4:2.



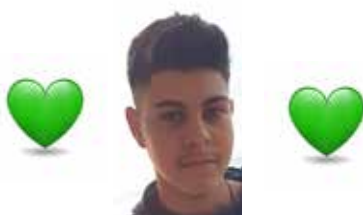
Slippery Balls



Goal Diggers

Game 7, and the weather really did start to change for the worse. Two Boats N Hoes took on Slippery Balls in a wet and windy setting. A fast paced and highly competitive game, the two teams battled it out. Despite the energy and determination from Slippery Balls, they lost 4:1. They would have another chance to make it to the final.

Game 8 saw league winners take on the league losers, Falcons vs the Grease Monkeys. Spectators expected Falcons to overrun the Grease Monkeys, but the underdogs surprised all with a 2:1 win! The Falcons were out and the Grease Monkeys were moving on up! With the weather worsening, there was no time to lose. A short break for the Grease Monkeys and they were back for Game 9 against Slippery Balls. This knock out game was closely fought between the teams, with the winner progressing to the final. Despite Slippery Balls best efforts, Grease Monkeys defended well, winning 3:0. The final game, after 6 hours of football and four teams knocked out, spectators witnessed the underdogs Grease Monkeys take on Two Boats N Hoes. Grease Monkeys, tired after three straight games, put on a good show for the first half of the final. After taking a ball to the face, Racy continued to defend well. Two Boats N Hoes, however, on fresher legs were able to defend well too, and attack harder, leading to a 4:1 win for the RAF team.



Rigger Boots

A Football Tournament held annually on Ascension in celebration of the life of the late Joshua Yon Bowers, a keen sportsman who was tragically taken away from us.

THE JOSHUA YON-BOWERS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT PRESENTATION

Event Organiser and Ref Neil Lawrence opened the presentation by explaining that the tournament honours the life of Joshua Yon Bowers who tragically passed away in a car accident in Oct 2023.

A passionate footballer, this tournament has brought players, both young and older together to honour his memory and keep football alive on Ascension Island. Neil thanked Two Boats Club for sponsoring the event, Mike Bosse for donating the game balls, Georgina Wilson for Social Media and game write ups, and Robyn Yon Bowers and Marianne Yon for supporting the tournament in Joshua memory. Neil also thanked the players and the supporters for coming out each week and for the KO tournament, whatever the weather.

Awards of the tournament were as follows:



League Winners: Falcons



League Runners Up: Slippery Balls



KO Tournament Winners:



KO Tournament Runners Up:
Grease Monkeys



Top Goal Scorer: Jaiden Roberts



Best Goal Keeper: Racy Leo



Best Overall Player: Sam Smylie



Best Young Player: Lucas Thomas

Dont want the hustle or bustle of trying to get a dedication to your loved ones on Christmas Day?

Get in touch with Leigh as shes got you sorted this year by doing a pre recorded show on Saint FM especially with all your dedications for that special day.

To avoid disappointment of not being included get in touch by end November by the following:

Email:
xmasrequest2025@gmail.com

WhatsApp: 0029066352

Facebook: Presenter Leigh Richards

Or send in an envelope to the station for attention of Leigh Richards.



MACS SHIPPING SCHEDULE UPDATE



	GREEN MOUNTAIN 251219	GOLDEN KAROO 251221	BRIGHT SKY 251223
Immingham	06-Sep	04-Oct	08-Nov
	KAROLINE 251710	KAROLINE 251711	KAROLINE 251712
Cape Town	13-Oct	10-Nov	11-Dec
Rupert's Bay	21-Oct	18-Nov	18-Dec
Ascension Island	-	23-Nov	-
	KAROLINE 251810	KAROLINE 251808	KAROLINE 251808
Cape Town	2-Nov	2-Dec	31-Dec

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