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Demy Herne, SAMS

It's April already!

After the long Easter weekend, everyone must now be back into their daily work routine. This year for Easter I camped at Thompsons Wood. It was an enjoyable weekend where I could just get away from everything and just clear my thoughts and have fun. Although, I have only one negative remark and that is that I think the sun was out to get me this whole weekend because I am burnt from head to toe.

It's my birthday weekend this week, so there will be no resting for me on the weekend as my friends want me to come out and celebrate; although I think I would prefer a good old fashioned horror movie, some popcorn and my warm and loving bed. I hope also to get my driver's licence now that I'm 18 although I can see myself stressing just by trying to turn the key in the ignition ha-ha!

With it being April, there are a lot of things to celebrate such as World Autism Awareness Day. I saw after coming from camp that there is a page on Facebook called Au-some Parents Group (St Helena) which I have now joined. It's a nice page promoting awareness on what is Autism, how to talk to someone with Autism and much more. I do encourage you to go and support this page as it is for a good cause and you might learn a few skills which could help you if you have someone with Autism in your family or friend group.

Of course, if you do want to support those with Autism during this month you can wear blue which is a colour that is designated for Autism and which is associated with calmness and acceptance.

Hope you all have a great weekend and until next time - stay safe :)

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YOUR LETTERS

A Bad Night before a Good Friday

Four people rescued from the ocean after serious boating accident on Maundy Thursday



Liam Yon, SAMS

A serious boating accident occurred during the Easter break when on Thursday, 28 March, local vessel number 47, the Kristina, operated by Wayne Yon of Jamestown, sustained serious damage at Long Ledge, resulting in the vessel taking on water and sinking quickly – allegedly in less than five minutes – leaving the four people onboard to take to the water in need of rescue.

Fortunately, seeing as it was during Maundy Thursday that the incident occurred, the Sea Rescue Service were already out patrolling with many residents partaking in traditional fishing activities.

According to information received by SHG, the Sea Rescue service responded to the maritime incident that occurred just before 11pm on Thursday, and "four people were rescued from the ocean." Understandably shook up by the incident, the "four people were transferred to the health services for medical assessment," and it has been reported that there were no serious injuries.

Circumstances around the accident itself are not known fully, though Police have confirmed that "there is an ongoing investigation of the incident."

Despite having sunk, thanks to a team effort including by Adrian Duncan and others, the Kristina was recovered and brought back to the Wharf where she is now undergoing repairs to the damage sustained from the incident on Thursday night.

Messages of thanks have been pouring in on Social Media for the community spirit shown in recovering the vessel, while the Sea Rescue team are also being hailed for their swift action in saving the lives of those involved in this frightening incident.



There's a Teenager in the House

Start of a brand new Volume as The Sentinel turns Thirteen

Liam Yon, SAMS



It's a celebratory day today for SAMS as we cheers to the thirteenth birthday of The Sentinel.

This paper has always held a special place in my heart as writing articles for The Sentinel was my first job out of school at the tender age of 16. Thanks to the faith and guidance of Darrin Henry, I quickly grew into the role and developed the skills and abilities to be able to produce interesting balanced articles to inform and educate all on St Helena about island affairs.

Despite some stick from those who despised competition, The Sentinel developed into a much sought-after weekly publication – renowned for its amazing photographs and a growing reputation as the Islands most accurate and reliable source of news.

SAMS have gone through plenty of changes over the years, with many assuming the role of Editor over this time. I am proud that after a few years away from the company, I was able to return and take on this important position. Having learned the ropes as a teenager, I now find myself at the helm, leading The Sentinel into a new era, while keeping the principles that have made our paper the best read of the week for so long – accurate, balanced, current, and reliable.

Credit has to go to the teams that have worked to create such a reputation - from those who started the journey way back when, to those who remain today working each week to produce a high quality publication for the people of St Helena and beyond.

To my current team, you guys are amazing, and to our CEO, Donna Crowie, thank you and lets continue to go from strength to strength, proving doubters wrong, and doing what we do best. Happy Birthday to The Sentinel, and remember – it's your voice, your news, we don't make it up!



Message from former CEO, Richard Wallis



Dear Sentinel,

Happy Birthday!

I often reminisce about the times I enjoyed at The Sentinel. As a place to work, it was exciting trying to sniff out the latest news and prepare it for publishing. The Sentinel, I like to think, was a fresh and honest reflection of the island, brought to the people, by young professional Saints.

Being allowed to be a part of the early days of The Sentinel was a privilege. Being welcomed into the family of dedicated Saint reporters is a highlight I reflect on with most pride. The Sentinel, driven by bringing the news to the wider island, is always a chapter I hold dear in my life.

As it is your birthday, I wish to celebrate with all the people of St Helena and the current staff of The Sentinel, sending them my congratulations and praise with their continued work. Please keep up the professional work sharing the islands news across the world.

Finally, it is important to acknowledge the genesis of The Sentinel. It started as a concept of truth and fairness. The Sentinel was envisioned, created, and nurtured by two of the most impressive people I have ever met. In the early days, they fought hard against detractors to bring this new and fresh service to the island. It took courage and heart like I have rarely seen in life. They chose the hard way because it was right, and it was needed. Darrin and Sharon Henry, thank you for The Sentinel. Thank you for all the work you do for the benefit of St Helena.

To many more years of value, Happy Birthday to The Sentinel.

(Liam, I hope you are keeping out of trouble!)

Love to St Helena,

Richard Wallis (Former CEO SAMS)

Introducing Your Host: St Helena

St Helena to host 2024 British Islands and Mediterranean Region Conference



The delegates at the 2023 CPA BIMR Conference, hosted by CPA UK in Westminster

Liam Yon, SAMS

The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) St Helena Branch has been chosen as the hosts of this year's British Islands and Mediterranean Region (BIMR) Conference, set to take place in May.

The 2024 conference will take place between 18-25 May right here on St Helena with the theme of 'Addressing Challenges to Sustainable Development in Times of Global Uncertainty' - covering a range of topics to understand the challenges many parliaments face.

The programme of events on St Helena will include the traditional St Helena Day celebrations on the Island, while the CPA BIMR Annual General Meeting will also take place here.

CPA UK is part of the British Islands and Mediterranean Region and also serves as its Secretariat. Along with CPA UK, the other branches that make up CPA BIMR are Alderney, Cyprus, Falkland Islands, Gibraltar, Guernsey, Isle of Man, Jersey, Malta, Northern Ireland, St Helena, Scotland and Wales.

Speakers Speak

Honourable Speaker in Turks and Caicos for 2024 Speakers Conference

Liam Yon, SAMS



The Honourable Speaker for the St Helena Legislative Council, Cyril Gunnell, is currently off-Island attending the 3rd Commons and Overseas Territories Speakers' Conference (COTSC) in the Turks and Caicos Islands, accompanied by Legislative Council Office Assistant, Shanice Phillips.

The conference is an opportunity for delegates and representatives to engage on key areas of interest, from the status of parliamentary buildings and security for Members, to parliamentary procedure and the relationship between the UK and Overseas Territories.

The inaugural speakers conference took place in the UK House of Commons in 2022, and was started by Commons Speaker and recent visitor to St Helena, Right Honourable Sir Lindsay Hoyle MP.

This year's conference will run from 2 April until 5 April, following which, Cyril is scheduled to remain off-Island on personal leave and will return at the end of the month. Shanice on the other hand will arrive back to the Island next weekend.

In the absence of the Speaker, the Honourable Deputy Speaker and Legislative Council Office Staff will conduct business accordingly.



I raise you 35p

Minimum Wage hits £4 per hour for those 18 and over after ExCo approves 35p increase



Donna Crowie, SAMS

During an Executive Council meeting at the beginning of March, members approved an increase of 35p to the hourly minimum wage for 2024, to come into effect from 1 July. St Helena Government explained in a recent press release that this means "the minimum wage will increase to £4.00 for persons over 18 and £3.05 for persons aged 16 or 17."

This approval was made in line with the Minimum Wage Policy of 2021. SHG said that "although a target minimum wage level and timetable were published in 2021, when determining whether to increase the minimum wage level this year, consideration was given to the current cost of living pressures on both employees and employers. The Minimum Wage Policy recognises that there is a limit to the size of increases that businesses can absorb in a single year, whilst at the same time establishing a clear pathway for raising the minimum income level in St Helena."

According to the SHG press release, "this year's increase follows previous consultations between the Employment Rights Committee and employers, employees and other relevant stakeholders, such as charities and the Chamber of Commerce. These consultations informed a target minimum wage and proposed a timetable for achieving that target over the next three to seven years. Additional consultation took place in early 2023 with the Chamber of Commerce."

Over a period of 11 years, the minimum wage has increased from £2.30 to the soon-to-be new rate of £4.00 for those 18 years and over. For persons 16 or 17, in 2013 the hourly rate stood at £1.45 and in July will stand at £3.05.

In the 2021 policy SHG states that "particularly the trajectory and timetable for achieving the target of £5.00 per hour over the next few years will be reviewed. This will involve consultation with employer and employees."

Over 400 arrivals in February

Stats Office release estimates of arrivals and departures for February 2024



Donna Crowie, SAMS

According to the latest estimates released by the SHG Statistics Office, for the month of February, 458 people arrived to St Helena – with 343 arriving by air. Out of these, 234 people arrived for leisure, including 177 non-St Helenians and 57 St Helenians visiting family and friends on the Island. All of the 115 people that arrived by sea did so by yacht.

For arrivals, during the period March 2023 to February 2024, Stats estimate that St Helena has seen 4,427 people arrive to the Island, an increase of 26% when compared to the 3,522 that arrived during the same period a year prior.

Out of these over 4,400 arrivals, Stats say "2,166 were for a leisure purpose, this is just under 800 more than the same period in the previous year (March 2022 to February 2023) when arrivals for leisure purposes totaled 1,370."

As for departures, for February it is estimated that 507 people departed, which is more than the number of arrivals. Out of these, 380 left by air with the remaining 127 leaving by sea.

During the twelve months from March 2023 to February 2024, there were a total of 4,449 departures, compared to 3,493 in the same period a year ago, representing an increase of 27%.

"We have to prioritise with little funds"

Covering the Fifteenth Formal Meeting of Legislative Council

The fifteenth Formal Meeting of Legislative Council (LegCo) was held on Monday, 25 March, from 10am, this time at the changed location of the St Helena Community College in Jamestown.

As always, Councillors posed questions to Ministers, and a number of topics were discussed in the House. This week, The Sentinel is covering questions regarding new medical equipment and maintaining recreational areas for young people.

The Sentinel will continue to share more from this LegCo in next week's issue.



"Early detection and lifesaving treatment"



Health Minister discusses essential medical equipment during LegCo

Hannah Braaf, SAMS

Cllr Robert Midwinter questioned Minister for Health and Social Care, Martin Henry, on the procurement of essential medical equipment and their corresponding health benefits.

"The Health and Social Care Portfolio has taken receipt of all equipment purchased through the Essential Equipment Fund made available by the FCDO," Minister Henry began his response. "Most of the new and essential pieces of equipment have already been highlighted by members of the professional team prior to this funding becoming available, in two basic categories. These include replacement of essential highly used pieces of equipment that had reached the end of their life or can no longer cope with the demands of the service, and new equipment required for lifesaving and/or early detection of the prevailing diseases known on St Helena. Of course in most cases, there is a large crossover of these two categories, as most of the replacement equipment have additional functions."

"Both haematology and biochemistry analysers were brought in to replace the old machines that were at the end of their useful life, and these have been in operation since August 2023," Minister Henry stated. "An HPA1C analyser replaces the old one, which was a smaller version, and this is due to the need to monitor diabetic patients more regularly and cater to the increase in diabetic patients. A machine which could handle a larger workload was required; this also has been in operation since August 2023. A blood culture analyser replaces the manual system and now allows for early diagnosis of sepsis. Previously, it could take 2 to 5 days for a diagnosis; this analyser is capable of producing a positive result in 12 hours. Operational since the beginning of this year in January, it has made a difference to many patients in this short timeframe."

"An immunoassay analyser was also brought in and this was to cope with the increased workload, and will once again replace a smaller analyser," Minister Henry continued listing. "It also will allow the range of tests that we can now offer locally, including a tumour marker test for a number of cancers, B12 deficiency and to check insulin levels. The capacity now allows a reduction in the number of tests that are now deferred to South Africa, allowing quicker turnaround time for these results and, of course, it is cheaper for our service. The engineer and trainer was on-Island installing this instrument and providing training just last week."

"And finally, the 128 slice CT scanner and its service contract," Minister Henry stated. "This new scanner is a wonderful piece of equipment with great functions when compared to the previous scanner. Its upgraded mechanics mean that there is a significant reduction in the radiation dose, vastly improved imaging quality and faster scanning time. The new CT scanner allows the service to undertake scans of the heart, looking at functions of different parts of the heart, as well as bone mineral density scans - looking at how brittle the bones are - and this will allow the service to either help through medication or nutrition, or to help people take preventative measures when brittle bones are identified. This scanner is an asset to the Island in managing future patient healthcare."

"New pieces of equipment brought in, primarily for early detection, is a range of cardiac equipment, including a new ECG and cardiac stress test equipment to improve early detection of heart disease, and six heart start defibrillators used primarily by our paramedics and emergency response to support survival rates at the other end of cardiac complications," Minister Henry continued.

"A fibrosis scanner basically measures the stiffness of the liver if a patient's blood test picks up any anomalies," Minister Henry explained. "The number one cause of fibrosis and liver transplants worldwide is non-alcoholic fatty liver disease, not alcoholic fatty liver disease anymore, which means foods and excess consumption of a particular types of sugar is now the biggest harm to our liver, and not alcohol. This goes hand in hand with

diabetes and metabolic health. The fibrosis scanner is another valuable tool in our arsenal for fighting the prevailing poor metabolic health on St Helena and it will be used as an ongoing monitoring device."

"Lastly a BioFire analyser, which was kindly donated by UKHSA (UK Health Security Agency) and has been in operation for approximately a year," Minister Henry stated. "Although outside of the EE funding, this has been a game changer and, in addition to the usual bacterial infections, we are now able to detect respiratory and gastro-intestinal viruses during community outbreaks. This piece of equipment has already proven its worth in ruling out or confirming viral illness in some very ill patients."

"To conclude, all of this additional resource will have already started to support the directorate, and more importantly our population, with early detection and lifesaving treatment," Minister Henry further stated. "However, as I stated from the day I started this role, although we can detect a lot of these diseases earlier, modern medicine cannot have a cure for these complex metabolic diseases. It can only support, treat and surgically intervene with these complex outcomes. Catching these diseases at an earlier onset and primarily supporting patients with the necessary life-changing and holistic objectives will have the most significant health benefits for our people and for our economy alike."

"We are now looking to replace a lot of the equipment in social care," Minister Henry concluded. "We're looking at fall equipment, we're also looking at lifting equipment, etc. to support our staff and patients within social care."

Maintaining Public Recreational Areas



Community Centres and Playground responsibilities

Hannah Braaf, SAMS

During LegCo, Cllr Ronald Coleman inquired as to "who is responsible for the upkeep and safety of the Island's Community Centres and children's play areas," directing this question to Minister for Treasury and Economic Development, Mark Brooks

"While the Community Centre Ordinance 1988 empowers community associations to acquire property through purchase or lease, with the approval of the Registrar of Community Associations, there is no evidence of registration at the Land's Registry," Minister Brooks responded. "In absence of a lease arrangement or a landlord tenancy relationship, establishing contractual rights and responsibilities for the maintenance and repairs, community centres are maintained as part of the Crown estate, subject to provisions of the St Helena Government building maintenance policy."

"Community centres are owned by Government, but there is a bit of a grey area around the ordinance of 1988," Minister Brooks explained. "But, the maintenance ultimately falls to SHG and that is prioritised along with any other property that SHG owns, through the SHG maintenance policy."

"Public recreational areas or young persons' playgrounds were established in... the Public Recreational Grounds Ordinance, 1938," Minister Brooks stated. "The upper half of the lower graveyard at Half Tree Hollow and Francis Plain are the only dedicated recreational grounds reserved for the use of children or young people and is subject to management and control under a council committee. However, there is no indication of a council committee or a portfolio being appointed for these purposes. Although under the Public Recreational Grounds Management and Control Regulations, 1999, the committee has delegated the day-to-day responsibility for the management of Francis Plain to the Education Department."

"Other play areas, which have been informally established, are not recreational areas for the purpose of the ordinance and do not fall under the management and control of any committee," Minister Brooks explained. "However, general grounds maintenance is carried out by various departments, as and when necessary, and of course when budget will allow us to do so. Responsibility for the maintenance of equipment in informally created play areas, in the absence of an express agreement, rest with the volunteers or the NGOs that have erected them, should they choose to do so."

"In respect of community centre buildings, there is a policy in place for building maintenance," Minister Jeffrey Ellick added. "What you will find is that the highest priorities on the list will be care homes, hospitals, schools and so forth; community centres will probably be very low on the list. It would be more a case of managing with the money we have and we would encourage people who run the community centres to raise [their own] money."

"If they don't meet the fire requirements [which is required for a liquor license], then it would be for the committee to find out how they can meet the fire requirements if they want to operate," Minister Ellick explained. "It shouldn't fall back onto Government."

"As everybody knows, there is insufficient money, we are struggling with finance at the moment," Minister Ellick stated. "We have to prioritise [building maintenance] with little funds."

"There is a difference between an inspection for a liquor license and an inspection for whether the business is safe to use for the public," Minister Martin Henry explained, adding his input. "A liquor license inspection is far more in-depth and will require far more pieces of equipment to be in place. There's two different elements we're discussing here."

"The worst I have seen"

Torrential rains and thunderstorms hit Ascension Island



Donna Crowie, SAMS

From a sunny tropical Island to a flooded thunderstorm hotspot, St Helena's Sister Island of Ascension recently experienced some abnormal weather patterns, with torrential rains and even thunderstorms, in what was described by one resident as "the worst I have seen on Ascension in a very long time."

It was on Tuesday night of last week that Ascension Island experienced heavy rains along with thunder and lightning – keeping the majority of residents up through the night.

The following Wednesday, The Sentinel was told by residents on Ascension that roads were flooded and damaged badly, Two Boats School had to be closed early, and an American flight that was due to depart Ascension could not take off – all due to unusually bad weather conditions.

Following on from the night before, on Wednesday evening, the rumbling of thunder and the bright flashes of lightning could be heard and seen yet again, this time starting even earlier than the night before.

Reporting on the weather last week, Ascension Island Government told The Sentinel that the "Island has experienced spells of heavy rain with thunder and lightning over the past 48 hours."

They add that "fortunately, there has been no major damage to critical infrastructure thanks in part to advance flood mitigation works and procurement of barriers through FCDO International Programme funding."

With that said, AIG confirmed that "there has been some damage to roads with flash flooding causing potholes and verges being washed away. Parts of the NASA road have been closed pending road works and sections of the Marty Wade track on letterbox peninsula have been damaged."

In total, "21 incidents of minor flooding and leaks" were reported and AIG say they are "working hard to carry out repairs as quickly as possible."





Come on 'Walkers' – don't be 'Lays'-sy

SHG encourages residents to participate in Walk to Work Day Challenge

Liam Yon, SAMS

According to SHG, tomorrow Friday 5 April, is 'Walk to Work' day, and they are therefore challenging those on St Helena to get involved by walking to work on Friday.

Speaking on the initiative, SHG said that "it is a chance to change your routine, add a little more time to it, and see how a slower start to the day that incorporates a brisk walk can lead to a more efficient life overall."

"We know that being sedentary has negative effects on a person's health, and walking to work can make a huge difference to your life and your lifespan," they add. "Not only will walking to work reduce your carbon footprint, it can also help improve your memory and mood, get your muscles moving and can help instil healthier habits into your lifestyle. People who walk to work regularly are also generally healthier and more productive at work."

SHG say they are "encouraging everyone" on St Helena to participate in the 'Walk to Work' challenge this year. "To help support this initiative, SHG has granted an additional 30 minutes physical activity time on 5 April 2024 to SHG employees who would like to participate," they added.

Walking all the way to work might be difficult for some and therefore SHG advises those people to consider getting off the bus at an earlier stop and walking the rest of the way, or parking at least a kilometre away from your destination and walking the rest of the distance. Even though the day is around walking to work, for those who can't squeeze in a walk in the morning, SHG say that you should try a short lunchtime walk or maybe go for it in the afternoon.

"Get ready for 'Walk to Work' day to enjoy personal benefits as well as helping out the planet," concluded SHG.



Select Committee 1: Agriculture

Land Use Review

Hannah Braaf, SAMS

The second Select Committee 1 hearing was held on 6 March in the Council Chamber. Chairperson of Select Committee 1, Cllr Robert Midwinter, and members, Cllr Gillian Brooks and Cllr Ronald Coleman, scrutinised the agricultural area. As member Cllr Rosemary Bargo was unable to attend this hearing, Cllr Midwinter posed her questions on land use on her behalf.

Environment, Natural Resources and Planning Portfolio Director, Darren Duncan, and Agricultural Development Officer, Andrea Timm, were called to provide evidence at this hearing.

The current asset policy for "the release of forestry land for commercial purposes and agricultural land and buildings for commercial purposes was approved on the 21 November 2007"; Cllr Midwinter questioned if this is still "fit for purpose".

"No it isn't," Darren responded. "That is certainly why it is under review at the moment and we had hoped to be a little further along with it in terms of having the new agricultural policy to help to inform that review as well."

"Even though it was established in 2007, we have made minor changes to it; those have mainly been administrative rather than specific process or policy provision," Darren further responded. "But certainly we aim, this year, to be able to have a completely new policy in place for both agricultural and forestry land and building assets."

Cllr Midwinter inquired as to the consultation "forming part of that policy review".

"We've started with an option appraisal as to how we approach agriculture direction for the sector in the future," Darren stated. "Certainly, we've looked at the working group having access to a bit of a situational analysis that we've provided from the portfolio, to be able to help to inform options and add flesh on the bones of those options. The next process that we've been undertaking in November and early December, up to the present time, is targeting consultation with key producers on the Island, both in the eastern district and the western district to determine their views on these options, and also the details of those options in terms of what they might provide for."

"We've been getting various responses back," Darren further stated. "We've been getting some people adding additional options or varying the options that have been provided. So certainly, we're getting a reasonable response to that targeted consultation exercise, it's helping now to inform the next version of that options paper."

"At this stage, I couldn't [specify the options] because we're just reviewing the options and putting detail to them," Darren explained. "In order for the working group to be able to consider those options, we are having to put the kind of detail to it that we think is part of producers' ideas."

"We would want to have policy approved by the second quarter; the overall main strategic policy approved by the second quarter to the new financial year, 2024/25," Darren continued.

Cllr Midwinter then asked about the practises "in place for the assessment of land to determine its viability for release for agricultural use".

"ANRD has what we call an assets portfolio, which historically is determined as agricultural land, so we do undertake reviews to see where the land is still suitable," Andrea stated. "We have, on occasion, changed the use of the land from arable to pastoral, and vice versa. It has predominantly been what is historical agricultural land that is still productive. We also have considered new lands coming into our portfolio if it is considered suitable as well. So we look at terrain, we look at soil conditions, we look at accessibility as well as part of the criteria."

"In relation to forestry land, how does ENRP determine that forestry land is unproductive when they consider it for disposal for residential housing construction, for example?" Cllr Midwinter inquired.

"We look at whether that land is still in demand, we look at the productivity of it in terms of its suitability for forestry and whether or not it's economical enough for forestry use, or whether it should become more of a business opportunity or a private sector opportunity," Darren responded.

"We would always look at whether the land has potential for some other form of business activity, before we even say it's not suitable for forestry and should go over to residential," Darren explained.

"We also have, from time to time, requests for a small piece of forestry land alongside an existing piece of residential area, where somebody may wish to build a garage and our land hasn't been in forestry production in some time; it may be on the edge of their own property," Darren stated. "We could also consider land swaps. But certainly, the big criteria is around productivity and accessibility."

"What we've done over the past five years or so is having forest rationalisation exercises, where we proactively go out and look at the forest estate, and what we can actually see going forward and what we should be retaining as part of the Government's productive forest estate," Darren further stated. "We then look at business opportunity for land that we feel should be rationalised out of the estate."

"We always encourage the property section to be a point of contact for a particular request to remove land from the forest estate," Darren continued. "Instead of people coming to us, they would go to the property section so that there's a coordinated approach to release that land in whatever form that may be, whether leasing or residential. So at least they're able to be advised on process."

Don't Overstay Your Welcome

Parking restrictions to be enforced in Jamestown as signs are reinstalled



Donna Crowie, SAMS

Drivers will have recently noticed newly-installed parking restriction signs in Jamestown, located outside of The Hive shop, near the London Gift Shop and also on The Stand area.

The Roads Section installed these notices following "consultation with the Police, in order to allow for the effective monitoring and control of parking in the designated two hour parking bays," as stated by SHG.

Many will recall similar signs were located in Jamestown that was removed some time ago when renovations works needed to be carried out.

"These bays provide an important facility for people visiting Jamestown from country areas and it has been apparent that, since the signs were removed, some motorists have been using these bays for longer term (all day) parking," explained SHG.

These two-hour parking spaces will be monitored by the Royal St Helena Police and "where necessary, motorists are initially advised if they have overstayed this period, with enforcement action only being taken if this is not effective."

The signs that can be seen are the old signs that have been refurbished by local businessman, Larry Francis, who gave them a fresh look and added some revised wording. Altogether, the cost of refurbishing and reinstalling the signs came to under £100 and will be paid out of the Safety, Security and Home Affairs Portfolio recurrent budget.





Happiness can exist only in acceptance - Our Story



"**D**on't worry he'll be alright, my child didn't talk until he was 6!" Was something we constantly heard from others! In the back of our minds we kept questioning the development of our perfect little boy. There were times I would find myself sucked into Google, numerous questions highlighting what google suggested as 'red flags'. Limited speech, lack of eye contact, no response to name, sudden meltdowns, repetitive behaviours and the list goes on. We found ourselves comparing Kylo to other children, then out of the blue he would say a random word, our hearts would melt reassuring our doubts. Until that word would then just fall away as if it was never said, yet another suggested 'red flag'.



As time went on, Kylo's behaviours presented differently and very challenging. Kylo would turn over cars to spin the wheels, become dysregulated in busy places, and line up toys in order of colours, picky over foods and textures. We were quick to say 'this isn't normal!'

As parents we knew deep down that something wasn't quite right, even though we didn't want to believe it. It wasn't until Kylo's pre-school assessment that things became very real, with a referral to the Speech and Language team. We can honestly say that it was onwards and upwards from there and we haven't looked back. What seemed like a lengthy meaningless process, with patience and determination our little whirlwind started to speak and engage in face watching.

At 4 ½ years old, Kylo was assessed and diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder here on St Helena. As parents, a day that will stay with us forever, a day our suspicions confirmed and our fears reassured.



Life became a little easier as Kylo learnt to express himself more, implementing boundaries and consistency in his routine right from a young age really worked well for us as a family. Kylo knew exactly when or what to expect next, and this eliminated any sudden changes which would normally result in meltdowns.

A huge positive for us as a family was joining the Au-Some parents group. The support given through words of advice, strategies, and having a safe place to vent if need be, made us feel we were not alone. Being a part of the group has also given us the passion to raise awareness and be the support for others who may be experiencing the same.

Little by little, Kylo made small but significant improvements in his development. What felt like to us a rollercoaster of emotions and changes we started to see a little ray of light at the end of the tunnel. Unkind as it sounds, we started to enjoy our Kylo.

Kylo has wowed us in so many weird and wonderful ways. Our journey together has tested us as a family but we wouldn't have it any other way. We look forward to our next chapter whatever that may be. We have learnt that happiness can exist only in acceptance. Autism is all we know and can say our tour guide has given us the ride of our life!

SCHOOL PAGE

World Poetry Day

How many of you are afraid of being asked to write a poem?

HPS, Contributed

The Sentinel would like to apologise for not publishing the poems in last week's Issue.

Well at Harford, we wanted to instil the mindset that writing poetry is simply playing with words to express emotions, thoughts, images and to tell stories in a fun and creative manner. Therefore, at Harford Primary School we could not resist using World Poetry Day (Friday, March 21) as an opportunity to do just that!

The day began with an assembly by the Headteacher to set the tone for the day. During the Assembly, 'The Lobster Quadrille' by Lewis Carroll (a poem that resonated with the Head Teacher as a child) and the St Helenian poem 'The Monk Cat' written by Janet Lawrence sparked the school's excitement to explore poetry further as they analysed and enjoyed the poems together.

Following the Assembly, the pupils became poets, planning and writing their own poetry, which they were keen to display to their peers at the end of the day. The outcomes resulted in a range of poetry styles that evoked powerful images and messages.

The Early Years used well-known nursery rhymes as a scaffold for writing new versions of the known poems. Kenning Shape Poems (in Year 1 and 2) and Haikus (in Year 4) were written to describe secret sea creatures which the school needed to guess! Year 3 focused on AABB poems whilst both Year 5 and 6 explored Free Verse poems. All pupils used literacy devices appropriate to their year group to create the necessary imagery.

A successful day where poets and poems evolved and the love for poetry ignited!

A free verse poem about St Helena's marine wildlife

Hey you know bout them whale sharks,
Them big harmless whale sharks,
Well let me tell you boutem.

Whale sharks out there,
Barely can swim,
Cause you'll out there,
Throwing rubbish in the ocean.

There's nothing sensible for them to eat,
Every time they open they mouth,
They swallowing plastic,
Instead of delicious fish.

Hey you know bout them turtles,
Them small helpless turtles,
Well let me tell you boutem.

Turtle sgettin caught,
In plastic rubbish bags,
Eatin them,
Thinkin it is food.

Turtles getting caught,
In old fishing nets,
Being stuck for ages,
And can't get loose.

Stop pollutin the oceans,
Think about the sea creatures and their homes.

By: Diego Francis (Year 5)

A Kenning Poem
Can you guess the sea creature described?
Tiny creature
Camouflage hunter
Egg layer
Seaweed clinger
Crustacean sucker
Father carrier
By Harley-Ray, Shayden and Maribel (Year 1 and 2)

What could I be?
I wibble wobble
and I jiggle round with glee
My thin tentacles

A Haiku written By Saskia Soto (Year 4)

Humpty Dumpty sat on a tree
Humpty Dumpty hurt his knee
All the nurses on the site
Just could not get Humpty right
All the children at Harford School
Thought Humpty Dumpty was cool!

(Nursery)

SCHOOL PAGE

An AABB Poem
A deep blue sea wish.
I dived into the deep blue sea.
So many waves washed past me

Under the sea I saw a great big whale
He told me that he was a big fat male

I caught a colourful magical fish
Suddenly my life changed it gave me a wish

I wish, I wish, I wish that I was the king of the ocean
Your wish is my command it gave me great emotion!

By Coen Leo (Year 3)

The Great White Wish

Gigantic and great.
I swim across
the MASSIVE deep **dark** waters.

Alone.

I lurk in the **d**
e
p
t
h
s

Waiting...
Waiting for my victim.

Like a bull
I *charge* at my prey
A *rapid racing* car
The Hunter of the Seas.

I seize my prey.
I snatch. I ~~rip~~. I tear.
I snatch and rip my prey
Out of the colossal **dark**blue sea.

We, great creatures,
just wish to be left alone.
When humans always have to bother us
and try to harm us.

What am I?

A free verse poem by KaidenGlanvile (Year 6)

Keep 'em Coming

More Cruise Ship arrivals to St Helena for April

Donna Crowie, SAMS



Continuing with what has so far been a fairly successful cruise ship season for 2024, a further two vessels are scheduled to arrive to St Helena during this month.

Firstly, the MS Seaventure has arrived to St Helena this morning. Travelling from our Sister Island of Tristan da Cunha, the MV Seaventure will stay for two days at St Helena. She is a much smaller vessel than those that have visited recently and is a purpose-built expedition vessel with a passenger capacity of just 70 and crew capacity of 95.

Following her stay at St Helena, the MS Seaventure will travel onward to the third of the three territories, namely Ascension Island.

Then, later this month, also arriving from Tristan will be a regular visitor to the Island in the form of the MV Hondius, with the vessel scheduled to arrive on 18 April, staying until 20 April.

Once again, the MV Hondius will be bringing goods, including potatoes, to the Island from Tristan. Those expecting potatoes are reminded that an import licence will be needed from Biosecurity in order to receive your goods.

After the arrival of the MV Hondius, there are no more scheduled cruise ship visits for a number of months, with the next visit being by the Coral Geographer, scheduled for 1 September.



SAMS RADIO 1 SCHEDULE

SAMS Radio 1

102.7 (Jamestown) • 90.5 (High Knoll) • 105.1 (Sunberry) • 105.3 (Blue Hill)

Streaming live via www.sams.sh/radio.html

FRI. April 05

- 7am -10am: Sunrise show with Luke Bennett
- 2pm: Our Show
- 5:30-7pm: OUT OUT! with Liam
- 7:30pm: Country Classics Repeat

SAT. April 06

- 9am-12 Noon: Saturday Show with Demy Herne
- 1pm-3pm: The Northward Sounds with Tony Leo (Repeat)
- 3-5pm: Modern Country Chart with Donna Crowie
- 6-8pm: DNA Show (Repeat)
- 8pm: Mixed Tape Show with Hannah Braaf

SUN. April 07

- 7am-12 noon: Sunday Show with Anita and Deon
- 1pm: Interveiw Hour
- 3-4pm: UK Chart Show with Demy Herne
- 5pm : In Scope
- 7pm: Seventh Day Adventists Church Service

MON. Apr 08

- 7am-10am: Sunrise with Luke Bennett
- 2pm-4pm:DNA with Deon and Anita
- 5:30pm-7pm: Country Classics with Donna Crowie
- 7:15pm -8:30pm: Best of Rock & Indie with Simon Dykes

TUE. Apr 09

- 7am-9am: Morning Show with Donna
- 9am - 11am: Midday Show with Demy Herne
- 11am-1pm: Folk revival with Anita
- 2pm: In Scope
- 3:30pm: American connections with Brian Clough
- 5-7pm: UK Chart Show with Demy Herne

WED. Apr 10

- 7am: Midweek Morning Show with Deon
- 8:30-10:30am: Our Show
- 11am-1pm: The Northward sounds with Tony Leo
- 4-7pm: Afternoon Drive with Luke Bennett
- 7:30pm- Mixed Tape Show with Hannah Braaf

THU. Apr 11

- 7am-10am: Sunrise with Luke and Liam
- 11am: Midday show with Hannah Braaf
- 1pm : Afternoon show with Demy Herne
- 5-7pm: Modern Country Chart with Donna Crowie
- 7:30 pm: In Scope (Repeat)

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100.7 (Briars)

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Featured this Week





What do Kenny Loggins, Kodaline, Katy Perry and Kim Wilde have in common? They all start with a 'K'. This Sunday Deon and Anita will be bringing you artists starting with a 'K'. As usual we will cover a variety of genres to keep you entertained. So join us on Sunday from 7 till 12.

Local news and notices:
7am, 10am, noon, 5pm, 7pm, 10pm

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Crossword: Post Box Walks

In honour of world walking day, celebrated in the USA on the 2nd of April, we're doing a St Helena post box walk crossword puzzle.



ACROSS

5. This walk can be taken from Rupert's or Deadwood Plain, named like a sweet baked treat (5,4)
6. Named after a farming building used for storing grain, hay, or straw or for housing livestock. (3,4)
7. It's not north east point, it's...? (5,4,5)
9. A valley with lots sharp teeth (6,6)
10. This bay's name mimics that of a large sea mammal (6,3)
11. Waterfall Our famous romantic waterfall (5,6,9)

DOWN

1. This walks receives its name from the large rocks at the top of the valley, said to resemble tombstones. (8,6)
2. Our most famous peak (7,4)
3. Where the lemons used to grow (5,6)
4. At the end of the walk you will find a broad beach with pools for paddling and an old military building remains. This destination is near to the airport (10,3)
8. Most people walk through Fairyland to get to this destination; it's a great opportunity to see the last remaining ancient stand of endemic gum wood (4,4)

Famous Birthday on 04 March



Graham Norton (60)

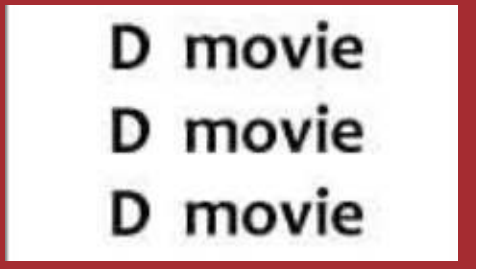
Sentinel Joke of the day

Why does snoop Dogg use an umbrella?

Fo-Drizzle.

Rebus Puzzle: *Figure out the phrase*





April Fool's Day round-up: From drug-detecting chickens to Aldi's new dating show



With the window for April Fool's Day pranks now closed, we round up some of the more creative and canny jokes.

Search and rescue sheep deployed on Dartmoor

Anyone getting into trouble while hiking on the Bank Holiday could be aided by a rescue sheep, Dartmoor Search and Rescue Team announced.

They are equipped with hi-vis bandanas and bells around their necks so casualties can hear them coming.

"They're the perfect animal to be searching," team vet Ashley said.

"They're already domesticated, there's plenty of them, they're adapted to our hill conditions, they come with their own jackets, you don't need to carry food and water for them, they're very easily trained."

The BS detector app from real estate company Purplebricks promises to alert you to any lies from estate agents.

Using AI lie detector technology, it will give a warning "bleep" when it hears suspicious speech patterns.

Drug-detecting chickens

Swiss Police announced the newest weapon in their war on drugs: sniffer chickens.

The new flock of "Drogenspürhuhn", or drug-detecting chickens, joined the squad after a successful testing phase, according to police.

Cheaper to train and keep than dogs, the chickens also lay a daily egg, police said, contributing to their cost-effectiveness.

Service cats

Putting the cat amongst the chickens, Zurich police also announced felines would be joining their canine unit.

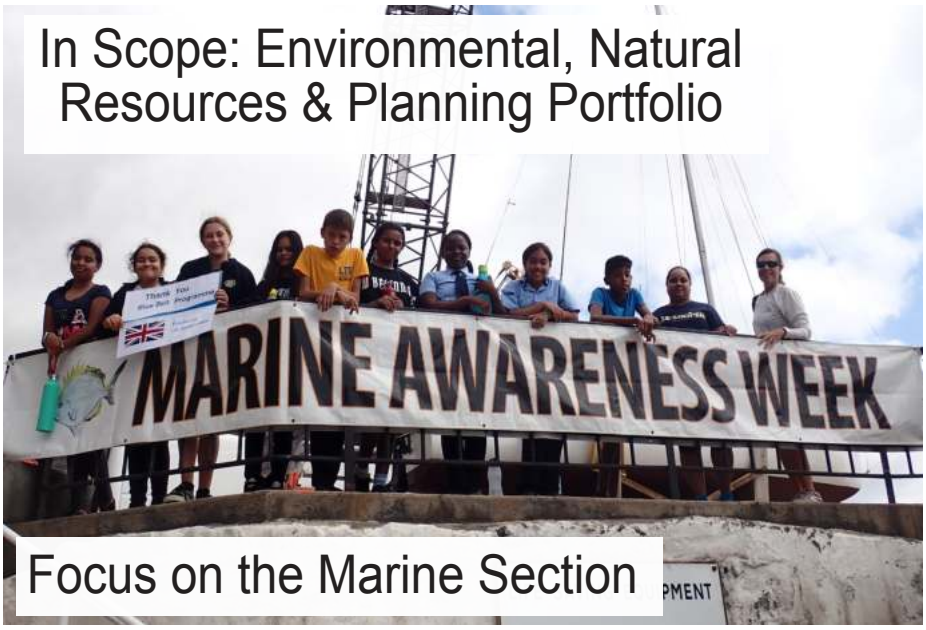
"After [a period of] long planning, intensive selection, and many hours of training, today the time has come [to announce] we are supplementing our service dogs with service cats," the Zurich City Police said.

"Their quiet velvet paws and compact body mass are ideal for use in confined spaces, but also for house searches and peaceful Mantrailing," they said.

Rebus Answers:

1. Eye shadow, 2. 3D Movie

IN SCOPE: RECAPPED



Anita Robbertse, SAMS

Minister Christine Scipio welcomed Kirsty Jones (Marine & Fisheries Conservation Officer) and Kelly Jonas (Marine Enforcement Officer) in the studio during In Scope this week to tell listeners more about what the Marine Section has been up to.

First on the agenda for discussion was the team's recent attendance of the Blue Belt Symposium in London. This visit was funded and hosted by Blue Belt, bringing together the UK Overseas Territories (UKOT), stakeholders and key partners. The theme for this second symposium was: 'The Blue Belt Journey: Celebrating the Past, Charting the Future.' The aim of the symposium was to celebrate, share and strengthen the protection of oceans globally.

Blue Belt has been intricately involved with marine conservation projects on St Helena and has been instrumental in providing funding to acquire equipment and renovating the new building and the lab. They have also provided expertise in various areas as well as funding the establishment of the Marine Enforcement Section all supporting the Marine team to manage the MPA as best as possible.

During the symposium, all attendees had the opportunity to do a presentation on what is being done in their respective territories to protect the marine environment, as well as share successes and collaborate on new ideas and initiatives. St Helena was presented as an example for a lot of areas as a much work has already been done here and can be used to guide and encourage other OTs. Kirsty got the opportunity to do a presentation on the social, cultural and economic impacts and value of St Helena's MPA. During this presentation, she showcased the value the marine environment has for the community on St Helena, by presenting videos of community engagements recorded during Marine Awareness Week 2023 as well as during the recent Hope Spot designation event. This gave the local community a voice to represent their views and provided evidence on this topic and was received very positively by the attendees.

Blue Belt Regional Coordinator, Elizabeth Clingham, did a presentation to highlight and celebrate the outcomes of key Blue Belt programmes on St Helena as well as facilitating networking sessions between the various OT's and invited guests.

Kelly attended presentations on marine enforcement and compliance and could also engage in networking sessions with her counterparts in other OT's and specialists. This also afforded the opportunity to learn about the tools and methods that other OT's employ in marine enforcement, enhancing what is currently being employed here on St Helena. Some of the tools are already being used on-Island like surveillance and big ocean data acquired from the Marine Monitoring Organisation in the UK, but some tools, like the use of Apps, by other OT's to monitor while teams are not in a specific area is something that St Helena could look to use in the future. Some of the areas of enhancement used by other OTs are being explored, but the implementation of new methods will always be dependent on funding.

The next topic that the marine team touched on was this year's Marine Awareness Week. In the past, various presentations and exhibitions were set up for visitors to interact with and learn more about protecting the marine environment. This year the marine team decided to try a different approach (supported with funding from Blue Belt) by taking all school children out on a boat to experience the marine environment first hand. There were some obstacles like sea conditions and a broken down boat initially, but the team have managed to schedule a trip for all school children as well as giving out stickers to primary school aged children and a memory stick to secondary school children, containing information on careers related to the marine environment.

When St Helena was designated a Hope Spot, the team of scientists from Georgia Aquarium involved in assisting the National Trust and the Marine Section in applying for this designation, indicated that they would like to visit St Helena to officially convey their congratulations and make the designation official. This visit was planned to coincide with this year's



IN SCOPE: RECAPPED





Marine Awareness Week. Dane Buddo (Director of Global Policy at the Aquarium) and some of the other key players have alread visited St Helena to celebrate this designation and, during their time on-Island, also held some community talks and presentations. Talks involved work done in Jamaica and comparing this to work on St Helena, as well as a talk by Kim Stone (Director of Fish and Invertebrates at the Aquarium) on hammerhead sharks. There was a movie night hosted at the Mule Yard about global fishing and its impact on ocean life as well as an open night at the Marine lab to showcase the equipment they use, as part of the Marine Awareness Week festivities.

Kirsty went on to tell listeners a bit more about the equipment that the Marine Section has been able to acquire with funding from Blue Belt. These include BRUVS (Baited Remote Underwater Video Systems) which is a canister containing video cameras and a bait canister. These are mainly used to record feeding and movement patterns of semi-pelagic fish species at various locations around the Island, especially at underwater pinnacles. There was also tagging equipment on show that is used to tag fish to observe behaviour patterns. The Fisheries Science Program Coordinator also collects some bio-examples to obtain important information about fish species. There was also a section on marine invasive species, showcasing samples collected during a program undertaken in December 2023 to explain the importance of monitoring invasive marine species. There were samples of plankton on display that forms part of the work for the St Helena oceanographic time series project. This project monitors conductivity, temperature and depth through a CTD monitoring instrument as well as a plankton net used to monitor microscopic organisms. All data collected is analysed and collated to underpin the management measures implemented by informing evidence-based decisions.

The Marine Enforcement team, headed by Kelly, is a fairly new team established three years ago. There are only two members in the team, Kelly and Peter Young, who is the Marine Compliance and Enforcement Officer. Since the Enforcement team have been operational, compliance among marine users has increased from a mere 25% to a compliance of about 80% at present.

Tagging acoustic receivers have recently been serviced to enable the team to record data from implanted tags. The tagging of the fish have now been started again with acoustic tags implanted via a small surgical procedure to monitor semi-pelagic fish and obtain data via ten inshore locations around the Island about the use of habitats by the tagged fish. The internal tag is quite small but these fish are also marked with an orange external tag. These are very expensive tags and fishers were asked to please return these tags to the marine section if they catch one of the tagged fish. This project will record how often and when the tagged fish frequents these habitats. There are other tagging projects as well involving yellow conventional tags on various species serving as a visual marker recording movements and growth when caught. The orange tags denote the presence of a satellite or acoustic tag inside the fish. It is important to return all tags to the marine team as the data provided by tags is important for the research and data collection done by the Marine Section. There is a tag reward scheme also in place for the return of tags. The team also work with local fishers on some of the tagging schemes to provide access to a broader field of research than can be covered by their limited staff.

Support and information is also obtained from the Centre for Environment Fisheries and Agriculture Science (CEFAS), the biggest Blue Belt partners to the Marine Section. CEFAS is comprised of a lot of specialists in various areas of marine protection and provides invaluable information resources to the Marine Section, checking and confirming the accuracy and output from data gathered.

It was once again stressed that it is important for all on St Helena to work together to protect our ocean and marine life to the benefit of all and the generations to come.



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St Helena Government

Blue Belt Project and Communications Administrator (1- year Fixed Term) (£11,542 per annum)

An exciting opportunity has arisen within the Marine & Fisheries Conservation Section of ENPR, this role will be primarily responsible for the communication requirements and project administration in relation to the UK Governments Blue Belt Programme. The aim of the role is to raise awareness of St Helena's category 6 Marine Protected area within the local and global communities and to ensure SHG has sound governance and timely action of the programme requirements in terms of resources, financial and administrative management. We are seeking a motivated individual who has a keen eye for detail, has the ability to apply sound judgement and who possesses excellent communications and project planning skills.

Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: **Kirsty Jones on Tel no. 25966**
Closing date: **17 April 2024**

Economic Development Officer (£9,197 - £11,239 per annum)

SHG's Economic Development Portfolio is seeking a dynamic individual to help deliver the island's economic development strategy. You will work flexibly across the services and functions of the Portfolio - assisting with research, analysis, policy writing, project coordination, and operational delivery of policies and projects. These areas of work will include tourism, trade and investment, civil aviation, property, and financial services development.

You will work directly with stakeholders from a variety of growing economic sectors, including those set to be enabled by improved digital connectivity.

This is a varied role with the opportunity for significant training, development, and career growth in one or more of the Portfolio's services and functions. The successful applicant will display a commitment to making St Helena an attractive place to live, learn, work, and invest. You will be expected to display a genuine desire to work with a diverse team to deliver positive outcomes for the community.

Contact us for more information and a discussion

Enquiries: **Damian Burns on Tel no. 22470**
Closing Date: **16 April 2024**

Benefits

Leave – 30 days leave per annum plus public holidays

Pension – 15% pension contribution by SHG into approved defined contribution pension scheme

Training and Development

Paid sickness absence

How to apply

To access job profiles and application forms online, visit www.sainthelena.gov.sh/government/vacancies 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.

Applications should be submitted to the Human Resources Officer by email recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh or paper copies delivered to the Human Resources Officer by the closing date.

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

SHG positively accepts applications from all members of the community, regardless of age, gender, disability, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief and will consider all applications on the basis of merit assessed against the role profile and person specification. All appointments are subject to the successful candidate providing satisfactory clearances, which include a medical check, vetting / DBS clearance and references. SHG reserves the right to have information provided on or with the application independently verified. Benefits are subject to change and may vary according to role.

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Assistant Gardener (Fixed term 19 April – 28 June 2024) (£7,341 per annum)

Central Support Services has an exciting opportunity for an enthusiastic individual to fill the role of Assistant Gardner. The Assistant Gardener will assist the Head Gardener with the day to day upkeep of plantation kitchen gardens and the production of a variety of vegetables to supply Plantation House with fresh vegetables all year round. Contact us for more information a discussion.

Enquiries: **Debbie Yon on Tel no. 24453**
Closing date: **11 April 2024**

Human Resources Support Officer (£7,341 per annum)

We are looking for an enthusiastic individual to fill the role of Human Resources Support Officer, responsible for undertaking a range of important financial and administration duties. This includes setting up and maintaining spreadsheets for expenditure accounting of our budgets, producing documents to support reporting and decision-making, and HR payroll administration, Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: **Delma Stevens on Tel no. 22470**
Closing date: **17 April 2024**

Sea Rescue Crew (Coxswain) (Starting at £9,197 per annum)

Are you keen to improve the lives of all within our community and help the island thrive by protecting and saving lives at sea? If you are a highly motivated and enthusiastic individual with the ability to remain calm under extreme physical and mental pressure, then the St Helena Sea Rescue Service has an opportunity for you to join their team.

Applicants must be 18 years of age and must be able to swim and pass a fitness test.

Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: **Leeroy Caswell or Mark Caswell on Tel no. 25215**
Closing date: **09 April 2024**

Benefits

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EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

PURCHASE OR LEASE OF PROPERTY

The Economic Development Portfolio is inviting Expressions of Interest for the purchase or lease of property known as the former playground, near the Quarry, Jamestown, and the property known as the former pig pens near the Longwood Enterprise Park, Longwood.

For further information, please contact Crown Estates Officer, Gina Henry, via email: gina.henry@sainthelena.gov.sh or on telephone: (+290) 22270, Ext 224.

The closing date for Expressions of Interest is Friday 19 April 2024.

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Seventh-day Adventist™ Church

Come and enjoy a Sunday afternoon with a difference at the Guinea Grass Community Centre with the Seventh Day Adventist church, Health Ministries and the Singspirationals.

We will be sharing some Natural Remedies/Health Nuggets and Healthy Recipes that you can sample. Please bring along your singing voices for a good afternoon of fellowship.

Date: 7 April 2024
Time: 3:30 pm.

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Friends of Hope Day

You are warmly invited to the Seventh-day Adventist Church for our special Visitors day program on Saturday 20th April 2024

You can join us for the following:-

Sabbath School program- 10:00am- 10:45am

Divine service- 11:00am-12:00pm

Afternoon musical program- 14:00pm-15:00pm

Contact Georgia for further details on tel.25710

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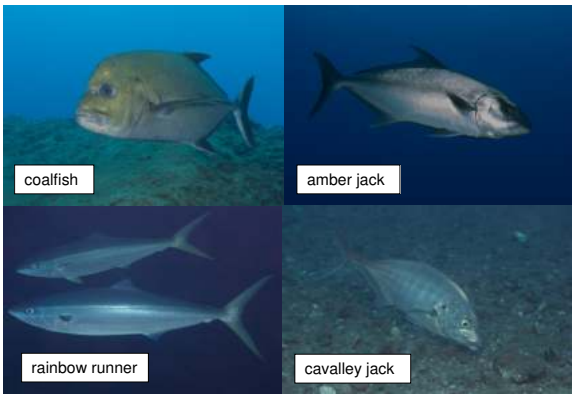
PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

NEW SEMI-PELAGIC HABITAT CONNECTIVITY ASSESSMENT STUDY

The Marine and Fisheries Conservation Section has started tagging amber jacks, coalfish, cavalley jacks and rainbow runners with internal acoustic tags. This is part of a new semi-pelagic habitat connectivity assessment study.

If you find a fish with an orange and yellow conventional tag this means it has an internal tag. Please contact the Marine and Fisheries Conservation Section and submit the internal tag and tag ID, fish length, date and location landed.

If all the necessary information and tag is provided a £10 reward will be given.



For more information please contact the Marine and Fisheries Conservation Section by telephone on 25966 or visit the Marine Centre at Jamestown Wharf.

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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

JACOB'S LADDER CLOSURE –WEDNESDAY 10 APRIL AND THURSDAY 11 APRIL 2024

The public are advised that Ambledale Workshop Ltd will be undertaking works on Jacob's Ladder on Wednesday 10 April and Thursday 11 April 2024. This work is being delivered as part of the refurbishment contract and will determine future defect prevention measures.

Whilst these works are in progress, Jacob's Ladder will be closed to the public.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - CLEANING SERVICES

Bank of St Helena Ltd is seeking expressions of interested for cleaning services within the Bank premises in Jamestown, including the Ark Building.

For further information on requirements, please contact Miss Merle Peters, Human Resources Manager on telephone number 22390 or email hrmanager@sainthelenabank.com.

Closing date for Expressions of Interest is Friday, 19 April 2024 and should be submitted to Miss Merle Peters, Human Resources Manager, Market Street, Jamestown or emailed to hrmanager@sainthelenabank.com.

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APRIL OPENING HOURS



Main Branch

Monday - Friday	08:45 - 15:00
Saturday	09:00 - 12:00

Airport Kiosk

Flight days only	10:30 - 14:30

Remote Banking

HTH Supermarket	Friday, 22 March	09:30 – 13:00
Longwood Enterprise Park	Monday, 25 March	09:30 – 14:00

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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

LOBSTER SCIENCE WORKSHOP – THURSDAY 18 APRIL

The Marine and Fisheries Conservation Section invite all fishers to an educational workshop focusing on lobster, crayfish and stump. The workshop will be held at the Canisterin Jamestown at 18:00 on Thursday 18 April 2024.
It is expected to last around 1 hour.

The aim of this workshop will be to inform fishers on methods for biological sampling, how landings are calculated and how fishers can help with the scientific process of data collection.

The workshop will include a presentation on the science that informs lobster quotas, a demonstration of practical skills, including free calipers for attendees to use when measuring lobsters, and information on how fishers can support science efforts.

For further information please contact Marine and Fisheries Conservation Officer Kirsty Jones by email through Kirsty.jones@sainthelena.gov.sh, or by telephone on 25966.

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6.30 p.m.	Sung Eucharist & Opening of Diocesan Synod	Cathedral
	Saturday 6th April	
8.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Cathedral
12.00 p.m.	Angelus	Cathedral
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Cathedral
	Sunday 7th April – Low Sunday	
8.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Cathedral
12.00 p.m.	Angelus	Cathedral
3.00 p.m.	Closing Eucharist Diocesan Synod	Cathedral

The Parish of St James		
Monday 8th April		
7.00 p.m.	Eucharist	St Mary
	Thursday 11th April	
7.00 p.m.	Eucharist with Healing	St John

The Parish of St Matthew		
	Tuesday 9th April	
7.00 p.m.	Eucharist	St Mark

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COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

4 BUSINESS UNITS FOR LEASE

Known as units 8, 14 and 15 situated within the Ladder Hill Business Park, Ladder Hill, and unit 7 situated within the Longwood Enterprise Park, Longwood. These units offer a great space; preference is for first time businesses for a two year lease but established businesses can also apply for a five year lease. The units will be advertised via an open market tender, the terms of which will be subject to negotiation between SHG and the preferred bidder.

Main conditions of the units are:

Minimum operating of 20 hours per week, which shall include a least one peak interval for example: 07:00-09:00, 12:00-14:00 and 16:00-18:00 per day.

First time business - rent per month to be paid on the first of every month are:

Unit 7	Units 8, 14 and 15
Year one - £172	Year one - £221.70
Year two - reviewed + RPI	Year two - £245.10 + RPI

Lease term: two years for first time businesses. If the decision is made by the existing tenants to continue their lease, this will be considered from year three rates as below:

Commercial rates from year three to year five

Unit 7	Units 8, 14 and 15
To be reviewed	Year three - £268.49 + RPI Year four - £291.89 + RPI Year five - £315.29 + RPI

Five year lease rates for established businesses at commercial rates

Unit 7	Units 8, 14 & 15
To be reviewed	Year one - £221.70 Year two - £245.10 + RPI Year three - £268.49 + RPI

The closing date for the **Business Units** is 12:00 on Friday 19 April 2024.

For more information, please contact the Head of Trade and Investment or the Investment Coordinator on tel: 22470 or via emails: Michael.ormrod@sainthelena.gov.sh or kyle.snow@sainthelena.gov.sh. Alternatively, you collect the forms from the Castle, Jamestown.

Vacancy

Part-Time Security Officers

Rate of pay will be £6.20 per hour

Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has a vacancy for Part-Time Security Officers to join the team at St Helena Airport.

Working hours will be according to flight operations and training requirements, including both weekdays and weekends.

Interested Persons Should:

- Have excellent interpersonal & communication skills and be able to work in a disciplined environment
- Possess a high standard of English & ICT skills
- Be customer focused and able to deliver an excellent level of Customer Service
- Be available to undertake the required training and the necessary background and medical checks
- Be able to undertake Manual Handling & physically demanding duties
- Be able to work effectively in a team environment
- Be able to work with a high degree of attention to detail
- Have the ability to remain calm under pressure

For further information contact:

Tegan Turner, Agencies Business Co-Ordinator via 22523 agencies.admin@solomons.co.sh

Application forms may be collected from Solomons Main Office Reception, Jamestown or alternatively an electronic copy can be requested via hradmin@solomons.co.sh and completed forms should be returned to Anya Thomas, Human Resources Organisation & Development Officer, Solomons Main Office, Jamestown by **09 April 2024.**

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PROPERTIES FOR

Residential land for purchase or lease at Market Value:

Land - registered as parcel number 1223 within the Half Tree Hollow registration section, measuring 0.156 acres

Land - registered as parcel number 1225 within the Half Tree Hollow registration section, measuring 0.262 acres

Commercial property for lease:

One year lease for the Kiosk at the Customs and Passenger Terminal Building, measuring 8.84m² and storage area measuring 2.298m²

The closing date for commercial property is 12:00 on Friday 19 April 2024

The closing date for residential land is 12:00 on Friday 10 May 2024

For more information such as plot details, locations and pricing, please contact the Crown Estates Officer on tel: 22270 or via email: gina.henry@sainthelena.gov.sh or alternatively, you collect an Invitation to Tender from Essex House, Jamestown.

For further information, please visit the Property page of the SHG website via: www.sainthelena.gov.sh/portfolios/treasury-infrastructure-and-sustainable-development/property/

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St Helena Island
A breath of fresh air

Festival of Walking

Walk of the Week

HIGH HILL
ST HELENA NATURE CONSERVATION GROUP

Date: Sunday, 7 April 2024
Start Time: 9am

Meeting point: Blue Hill Bus Stop

Join Tom Wortley from Rock Mount Walking Tours and Martina Peters from the National Trust on this Post Box walk through attractive woodland. At the top, take in the spectacular views and learn about some of St Helena's endemics.

Remember to bring water, suitable walking shoes and sunscreen.

Walk grade: Post Box Walk, suitable for families

3-4 Fairly easy

Upcoming walks

Date	Walk	Host
Sunday 14/04/2024	Great Stone Top	Tom Wortley
Saturday 20/04/2024	Lemon Valley	Adam Sizeland

Lemon Valley - register for transport
Register for the bus from Jamestown to the start of the walk (Rosemary Plain) and boat from Lemon Valley to Jamestown by noon on Wednesday, 17 April 2024. If you have registered previously for this walk, please register again.

To register your interest and receive email updates of the 'Walk of the Week' contact Dianne via dianne.venning@sainthelena.gov.sh or call the Tourist Office T:22158 or M:67245

Vacancies

Part-Time Aircraft Cleaners

Since 1790

Rate of pay will be £5.60 per hour

Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc have vacancies for Part-Time Aircraft Cleaners to join the team at St Helena Airport.

The Aircraft Cleaners will be responsible for the cleaning of the Airport Terminal during operational days and also cleaning of aircraft cabins of arriving and departing Aircraft.

Working hours will be according to flight operations and training requirements, including both weekdays and weekends.

Interested Persons Should:

- Have excellent interpersonal & communication skills and be able to work in a disciplined environment
- Possess a good standard of English & ICT
- Be customer focused and able to deliver an excellent level of Customer Service
- Be available to undertake the required training including both classroom and online-based training.
- Be available to undergo the necessary background and medical checks
- Be able to undertake manual handling & physically demanding duties
- Be able to work effectively in a team environment
- Be able to work with a high degree of attention to detail
- Have the ability to remain calm under pressure

For further information contact:

Tegan Turner, Agencies Business Co-Ordinator via 22523 agencies.admin@solomons.co.sh

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ASCENSION ISLAND GOVERNMENT
~ TWO BOATS SCHOOL ~

VACANCY NOTICE

Deputy Head Teacher

Total package value including allowances and benefits up to £42,558.00 per annum
(depending on qualifications, experience and family status – details below)

About the role

Two Boats School is a delightful primary and secondary school on the beautiful and tiny island of Ascension in the South Atlantic. We have approximately 80 students between the ages of 3-16 (Primary 53, Secondary 27) and we offer a range of subjects up to IGCSE level.

What you'll do

We have a vacancy for a Deputy Head Teacher to start in September 2024. As a key member of the three-person leadership team, we are looking for someone to manage and lead our Primary sector. Additionally you will Act up and take responsibility for the whole school in the absence of the Head Teacher. This is a teaching role (reduced timetable) and therefore you will have recent and relevant Primary teaching experience and knowledge of the UK National curriculum. The role also includes being the SENDCo and DSL for the whole school.

What you'll bring

With ideally 2-3 years' of leadership experience in a Primary school setting, you'll hold qualified teacher status, ideally to UK or IB standards. You'll have strong interpersonal and communication skills (oral and written) and you'll be excited and passionate about working as part of a small team of professionals making a big difference to the education and development of children on Ascension Island.

What we offer

In addition to an annual salary of between £27,750 and £29,300 – dependent on qualifications and experience (taxable on Ascension), the role attracts accompanied status contracts and the following benefits:

- Rent free accommodation worth £200 a month (taxable benefit)
- An Accompanied status food allowance of £7,200 per annum or £3,600 if single status (taxable benefit)
- Electricity allowance worth £938 per annum
- Water allowance worth £2,720 per annum accompanied or £1,360 if single status
- Relocation costs for your personal effects, including assistance with the shipment of a vehicle
- One mid-contract return journey to your country of recruitment
- A gratuity payable on the successful completion of a 2-year contract
- Free primary dental and medical care
- Medevac provision in an emergency
- Free schooling for dependent children under 16
- Free annual travel insurance

The appointment will be subject to:

- Satisfactory employment references
- Enhanced Criminal Records Check and Teacher Status checks
- Satisfactory Medical Clearance (employee and any accompanying dependents)

What's it like to work on Ascension?

Ascension is a small volcanic island, situated in the South Atlantic, with a warm stable climate (26-34°C). We are part of the wider British Overseas Territory of Saint Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha, situated approximately 1,000 miles from the mainland of Africa and 800 miles from our nearest neighbour, the island of St Helena. To thrive here on this unique, challenging and beautiful island, you must be resilient, adaptable and able to live and work in an incredibly small community.

Closing date: Friday 12th April 2024.
Interviews: Week beginning 15th April, by Skype
For more information, a full job description, and to apply visit: www.ascension.gov.ac/lifestyle-and-employment/working-here/**If you have any queries about the role, email** recruitment@ascension.gov.ac

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VACANCY: EQUALITY & HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSIONER

The Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) invites interested persons to apply for the position of Commissioner. Commissioners work to influence law and policy makers and support organisations, groups, and individuals to protect and promote human rights in St Helena, allowing everyone an equal opportunity to reach their full potential.

The functions of the Commission include:

- investigating complaints of human rights infringements, conducting inquiries and investigations
- researching of laws, keeping up with human rights news, trends and thinking to keep St Helena on par with the UK and current best practice
- raising awareness throughout the community about human rights, providing information to help people understand and assert their rights
- monitor the operation of the Constitution and Human Rights Instruments, and to produce reports for the UK and United Nations
- Advocating for and empowering by raising awareness on equality and human rights across all parts of the community

Interested persons should possess excellent communication skills and the ability to communicate at all levels, empathy, and patience, be approachable and a good listener, have a flexible approach to the demands of the role, operate in strict confidence and be able to work independently as well as in a team. Interested persons are encouraged to apply no experience is necessary and full training will be given.

Commissioner roles are currently part time with regular meetings and training.

For further details and terms of reference please contact Catherine on telephone 22133 or email catherine@humanrightssthelena.org . A motivational letter and CV should be sent to Catherine Turner, CEO by Monday 30 April 2024 at 16:00hrs.

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VACANCY

Bank of St. Helena Ltd.

Assistant Lending Services Officer (Admin)

Commencing at £8,400 per annum

Bank of St Helena Limited is seeking to recruit a suitable person to fill the vacant position of an Assistant Lending Services Officer (Admin).

Responsible to the Assistant Lending Services Manager, the successful candidate must be flexible to work demands and have excellent customer service skills. They must have a keen eye for detail, exhibit high accuracy levels and have the ability to work under pressure and meet deadlines, whilst working well with others as part of the wider Bank team.

The main duties of the post include:

- Responsible for the conversion of all pertinent documentation to electronic filing and maintaining an accurate filing system;
- Compile and send letters to clients;
- Maintaining lending records on excel applications;
- General administration assistance across the Lending Section;
- Any other duties.

Interested persons can contact Mrs Julie-Marie Yon, Assistant Lending Services Manager on email asst.lendingmanager@sainthelenabank.com or contact her on 22390 for more information.

An Application form and a job profile is available upon request from the Bank.

Completed application forms should be addressed to Miss Merle Peters, Human Resources Manager, Market Street, Jamestown or emailed to hrmanager@sainthelenabank.com.

Closing date for applications is Friday, 19 April 2024

Choose a career with Bank of St Helena and enjoy competitive benefits.

Bank of St. Helena Ltd.

Established and regulated in St Helena under the Financial Services Ordinance, 2008 and 2017, the Financial Services Regulations, 2017, the Company Ordinance, 2004 and the Company Regulations, 2004

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Market Street, Jamestown
Bank of St Helena Ltd

April to June 2024 SHGC Competition Calendar

Date	Competition Format	Sponsor
	APRIL 2024	
7th	Stableford	SHGC
14th	Gruesome (Pairs)	Douglas Augustus
21st	KJ's Sponsored (Stableford)	KJ
28th	Monthly Medal (Strokeplay)	SHGC
	MAY 2024	
5th	Tombstome competition	SHGC
12th	Gwyneth Howell Trophy Challenge Cross Country (Tentative)	GH
19th	Stableford	SHGC
26th	Monthly Medal (Strokeplay)	SHGC
	JUNE 2024	
2nd	Stableford	SHGC
9th	Monthly Medal	SHGC
16th	18 Holes Strokeplay No Handicap	SHGC
22/23	St Helena Open Championship	SHGC
29/30	St Helena Open Championship	SHGC

NOTE;

- This calendar is subject to change at short notice
- Normal tee off will be 12:00 except for the Open.
- Morning Tee off will be permitted subject to approval by the Games Manager provided there is more than 3 players.
- Members are advised to register in advance for competitions to avoid inconveniences.

SPORTS ARENA

"His Spirit was here with us all today"

Football Tournament held on Ascension in honour of the late Joshua Yon-Bowers



Liam Yon, SAMS

A son, a brother, an uncle, a nephew, and a friend to many both here on St Helena and on Ascension Island, the late Joshua Yon-Bowers was a joy to be around and one of his true passions was his love of football.

With Joshua's mum, Marianne, set to leave Ascension Island, resident Social Worker, Paul Bridgewater, decided to hold a football tournament at Two Boats to pay tribute to Joshua's love for the game, while also celebrating his life with family and friends on Ascension.

The tournament was held at the MUGA just below Two Boats Club with six teams entering the five-a-side tournament and many more turning out to support the players and to honour Joshua's memory. The format of the day saw all six teams face each other with the top four teams then progressing to a semi-final playoff. In the end it was the team from Encompass that would take the overall win after a tense penalty shootout in the final.

"We would like to say a huge thank you to Paul, Sue and Errol/Celia and their team for organising this event in memory of our son and brother Josh! We know his spirit was here with us all today," said Joshua's family. "There is not a day that goes by when we don't wish that our son and brother was still here with us, but we are truly grateful to you all for keeping his memory alive. We are truly humbled to have you all with us today to celebrate our Josh. So here is to our Angel Josh, your smile still lights up in memory each day, a song our hearts will forever replay. We know what Josh would be saying to you all right now... "I love you all see".. God Bless! So let us raise our glasses to Josh - you are not below us, you are not above us, you are standing right beside us! Cheers."

Joshua's sister Robyn was pleased to report to The Sentinel that "it was a lovely turnout and the love for Josh was truly felt by the community on the Island."











Another 'Wicket' Opportunity for St Helena

International Cricket on the charts again as SHCA prepare for upcoming qualifiers in Africa



Anita Robbertse, SAMS

Cricket is one of the oldest games played internationally, having its origins in the 16th century. Cricket is loved and played all over the world and also on St Helena. Interest in the game here on the Island has been steadily growing over the past years especially with invitations to participate in international tournaments being extended on a regular basis.

The St Helena Cricket Association (SHCA) has been invited four times in the past to participate in the sub-regional qualifiers for the T20 World Cup, an international competition hosted in Africa. St Helena has participated in three of these. The last competition took place in Rwanda. The International Cricket Council (ICC) has once again invited St Helena to participate this year. President of the SHCA, Derek Richards, said that they are definitely considering participating in this year's competition. The first step would be to select a cricket team to represent the Island.

The first time the team was invited to participate was in 2012 when the competition was hosted in South Africa and, in 2018, the St Helenian team attended the qualifying games in Botswana. In 2020, St Helena was once again invited but, due to Covid restrictions at this time, was unable to participate. The next games will be taking place in October/November this year likely to be hosted by Kenya or Nigeria.

The team will be chosen in line with the selection policy of the SHCA to be based on the grounds of merit. A number of factors are taken into consideration when making selections like fitness, skill, passion and commitment as well as game integrity. The selection will be done by the Captain (who needs to be selected as soon as the process starts) and the Coach.

The tour will mainly be funded by the ICC (as usual), but there are some costs that need to be borne by St Helena. The ICC also gives an additional annual contribution to the SHCA, called a score card grant amounting to around $15,000. The funding provided by the ICC covers the travel costs from St Helena and back as well as accommodation and food during the tournament. Travel from St Helena is complicated by the fact that there is only a weekly flight available often meaning that the team is in South Africa for a week and a half longer than necessary. This is where the funding from the St Helena side comes into play to cover the additional days they have to stay in South Africa to accommodate the travel limitations. The team is comprised of 14 people and additional costs will include accommodation, breakfast, lunch, dinner and other day-to-day expenses.

Acclimatisation is another factor that needs to be taken into consideration when participating in games in another country. The team also has to get used to the pitches and different surfaces that they need to play on. Sometimes weather conditions and other factors can derail the best laid plans and it is important that the team maintain a positive mindset and make the best of every opportunity. During the tournament, various meetings will also take place to be attended by the Captain and Manager of the team.

The president of each cricket organisation gets invited to conferences on a regular basis hosted at various locations. When the ICC hosts the conferences, they will pay for the flights of attendees, while the cricket associations will pay for the accommodation. The next conference will however be hosted by Cricket South Africa and they do not cover the cost of flight tickets, but they do pay for accommodation during the conference. Derek will attend this meeting, but has extended a personal travel engagement to include the date of the conference and he will personally purchase the tickets to and from Rwanda to enable him to attend at no additional cost to the SHCA.

There is a fair amount of interest from members of the cricket community in trying out for selection, but it is hoped that there will be even more interest with the selections this time as there are quite a number of talented young players. The wheels have already been set into motion for a Coach from SA to come to St Helena to identify potential players and train with them for a period of time. Only players who meet the selection criteria will be able to accompany the team. Drug testing will also be undertaken in line with the SHCA's drug testing policy, but results of testing will remain confidential. This is essential as drug testing will also be undertaken during the tournament and a positive test will have a negative reflection on the team as a whole representing St Helena. Worldwide performance enhancing drugs are a big problem, but on St Helena there is more of a concern with the use of illegal drugs.

According to Derek, cricket on St Helena has improved a lot in relation to the numbers participating as well as in the quality of the game and the skills displayed by players. It was also encouraging to see the start of a junior cricket tournament organised by Scott Crowie and the New Horizons team as well as some basic training. There were three teams that took part over a four week period, reflecting the growing interest in cricket on St Helena.

Any interested persons are encouraged to contact Andrew Yon or Scott Crowie, as more interest will encourage better competition to secure a place in the team ensuring that the best possible players can be selected to represent St Helena during this international tournament.


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