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SENTINEL COMMENT

Anita Robbertse, SAMS

The month of March always brings a lot of excitement in our household. On Sunday, Deon and I celebrated our 29th Anniversary and it was also the celebration of our daughter Annika and her husband Ian's first Anniversary. Still to come at the end of the month is a big birthday celebration for me as well.

So why am I boring you with all these details? When I was thinking about what to write for my comment this week, Deon reminded me how important it is to choose to focus on the positive things in life.

We are inundated by negative news on a daily basis and it is much too easy to let ourselves descend into the big black hole of negativity! During the worst storms and cloudy days, focus on the silver lining. Actively look for the positives, search out something you can feel excited or happy about.

I am really looking forward to family and friends visiting us this year for the celebrations. Every time I feel overwhelmed by the negative things going on in the world around us, I just focus on that prospect to balance myself again.

Psychology teaches us that behaviour can be learned, implying that we can change our behaviour and our outlook on life! Does it not sound more appealing to focus on the good, the blessings and the things that bring you joy. Negative thoughts drag us into a spiral of negative behaviour, leading in turn to even more negative outcomes.

In short, I want to encourage you to take a moment every day to think of at least one positive thing that can be your focus for the day, even if it is something as small as a beautiful sunrise or a kind word. More importantly though, be the positive experience in someone else's day! Make a difference... choose positivity.

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YOUR LETTERS

Dear Editor,

I recently lost my daughter to leukaemia. She was passionate about music and dreamt of becoming a professional pianist. Her Yamaha piano meant the world to her, and I would love for it to find a new home with someone who shares her passion.

If you or anyone you know would be interested in continuing her legacy through music, please let me know on amandasharp053@gmail.com.

Warm regards,
Amanda





A Call to Action relating to Prison Claims

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Liam Yon, SAMS

It was brought to the attention of The Sentinel on Wednesday morning that "SHG are seeking to apply for leave to appeal the liability judgment," in the case of local resident, Cruyff Buckley, while they are also, "going back on admissions made in respect of liability," as detailed by the Public Solicitor's Office (PSO) of St Helena.

Additionally, the PSO have further trials listed for April 2025, relating to claims for a number of other local residents relating to conditions at HM Prison, with PSO informing that "SHG are seeking to put of this trial indefinitely."

A hearing will take place in the Court House at 4pm this Friday when the PSO plan to "argue the points" in relation to SHG's attempts to both appeal the liability judgement and go back on admissions in Cruyff's case, as well as put off future similar claims planning to be made.

In a call to action, all future plaintiffs – those with claims – are being encouraged to attend the hearing on Friday, "so that the Chief Justice can see how many people will be affected by the delay in justice if the April hearing is adjourned indefinitely."

Additionally, the media and press are being asked to attend Friday's court hearing, as well as "anyone who may be interested in the administration of justice."

"A Testament to our Unwavering Commitment"

International Maritime Safety Audit carried out on St Helena



Liam Yon, SAMS

St Helena Government have welcomed the proxy audit of St Helena's maritime activities, carried out in line with the International Maritime Organization Member State Audit Scheme – with a dedicated team having just recently visited the Island.

As detailed by Government, St Helena is part of the Red Ensign Group, having a Category 2 Ship Registry. This, they say, means "standards must be maintained on safety and operational practices as mandated by international requirements."

Taking advice and guidance from the Maritime and Coastguard Agency UK, St Helena's maritime operations are upheld to comply with safety regulations and international conventions.

Recently, a "dedicated team" comprising of Richard Pellew, Graeme Carnegie and Jim Morrison, was on the island to conduct an audit and monitoring visit for St Helena's maritime activities. SHG says that "this audit stands as a testament to our unwavering commitment to ensuring the safety and effectiveness of our maritime operations."

The Maritime Authority also sought to "expresses their appreciation to all officials/stakeholders involved for their invaluable support and cooperation throughout this process."

Safety of Life at Sea

Bulk Carrier arrives to land sick crew member at St Helena



Liam Yon, SAMS

On Monday, Bulk Carrier Artax – sailing under the flag of Portugal – arrived in James' Bay to drop off a crew member requiring medical attention, with St Helena needing to honour their Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) obligations to provide assistance when required.

Harbour Master, Simon Lee, gave The Sentinel a quick update on Monday where he explained that "the crew member came ashore via Sea Rescue, and was met by Port Control, Customs, Immigration and a Solomon's agent at the Jamestown Wharf steps before being taken to the General Hospital for further medical attention."

No details were given of the crew member's condition; however Simon did advise that "the vessel will remain anchored until further notice." On Monday evening however, the vessel was observed to have departed St Helena, continuing on her journey.

"Democracy is alive and well"

New Island Council for Tristan da Cunha as 83% of eligible voters turn out on Election Day 2025



Liam Yon, SAMS

As St Helena gears up for the 2025 General Election in September, our Sister Island of Tristan has already gone to the polls, with their General Election having taken place last week on Wednesday, 5 March – with an impressive 83% of the 200 eligible voters on the Island turning out to vote, representing 166 voters in total.

"The high turnout was enhanced by enabling resident islanders presently overseas to vote by email, the fact that many young people voted, and by the service that Council Clerk Geraldine Repetto provided to visit homes of those who were unable to vote at the Polling Station for themselves," commented Administrator Philip Kendall.

On Tristan, an election is held every three years to determine the Island Council, which consists of the Administrator as President, plus three appointed and eight elected members, with at least one member of the Council needing to be a woman.

A separate election is also held for the post of Chief Islander and also took place alongside this year's General Election last Wednesday on Tristan.

The results saw Ian Lavarello elected as Chief Islander, serving in this post for a fourth time.

As for the Island Council, Simon Glass, Ian Lavarello, Larry Swain, Iris Green, Rodney Green, Steve Swain, Lorriane Repetto and Randall Repetto were all elected as Councillors through obtaining the most votes during the General Election. In addition, Allan Swain, Janine Lavarello and Vera Glass were appointed as Councillors by the Administrator to complete the full Island Council that will serve for the next three years until 2028.

Congratulations to Tristan da Cunha's new Island Council and Chief Islander, and for the organisers and the community for ensuring, as stated on Tristan's official website, that "democracy is alive and well" on Tristan.



Council Clerk Geraldine Repetto making a home visit to record the vote of Audrey Green



Ballot Papers emptied out and ready to count on the evening of 5th March 2025



18-year-old Shannon Swain votes in an election for the first time

"Our culture is being sapped"

An insight into the life of Mrs Olive Brown, her career, passions and family



Demy Herne, SAMS

Olive Brown is a well-known figure on the island. Deeply involved in voluntary work, Olive now resides at Palm Villa in Upper Jamestown.

Olive's home stands out due to its restoration, showcasing stone-built walls with a historic feel and a lush garden that surrounds the house, filled with mango and other various fruit trees.

When asked about her family, Olive shared, "I had two sisters older than me and two brothers younger than me and we all grew up in Napoleon Street." As for the origins of the Lawrence family, Olive explained how "the Lawrence's were fisher people." Olive's grandfather, Dick Lawrence, was a fisherman who lost his arm, and many of his sons continued the family tradition of fishing.

Olive has tried to trace the family's roots, saying, "I've gone so far and then no further. I only went back, so mid 1800s and then got stuck, it's very difficult because you get repetition of names in families and after a while it all gets a bit confusing."

Olive left St Helena at the age of 17, in 1957, and stayed abroad until 1987. She recalls, "Yes, I went when I was 17, I went in 57 and came back in 87." She moved to the UK to pursue nursing. "So when I left the island with Jack Thorpe and that was interesting actually because I left on the last of the Union Castle line boats."

Jack Thorpe, who was an agent for recruiting workers to go to England, played an important role in Olive's move. "Jack Thorpe was an agent for recruiting staff to go off to England to work in these big houses... but I went to a nursing home," she explained.

Olive's passage to England didn't cost her anything, as the people who employed her covered her travel expenses. However, she added with a chuckle, "it didn't cost me anything, the people who were employing us paid the cost traveling and then they recovered their money by paying us a pittance!" She remembers earning "£1.12 a week or something like that."

Olive started working as an untrained nurse in a nursing home and stayed there for two years. "Two years and then I left, I got married moved down to Portsmouth and then I did my training at the Portsmouth Royal Hospital." She later became a qualified nurse but chose not to pursue further roles. "I didn't go on to be staff nurse or anything like that, I was quite happy with what I was doing part-time and that's what I did until I left."

Olive's return to St Helena was primarily due to her husband, who had served in the Navy. She explained, "well my husband was in the Navy and he'd done his time so his time was up as in pension time."

Her husband had previously visited St Helena while aboard the Royal Yacht Britannia. They eventually returned to the island together as Olive's husband found it hard to adapt to civilian life after his military service.

Once back on St Helena, Olive retired. Before Olive and her family took ownership, Palm Villa had a long history. "The Flaggs lived here and as far back as I can go is the first local Governor, Janisch, this was his home," Olive explained. She further elaborated that Miss Finnegan, who once lived across the street, owned the house. "Miss Finnegan used to live across here at Billy Shanta's house and then she inherited it from Canon Walcott."

Olive and her family took on the restoration of the house, which was in poor condition when they first saw it. The property now features a lovely garden, and Olive is proud of the fruit trees she has cultivated. "There are about ten fruit trees," she shared, listing mangoes, bananas, peaches, pomegranates, and more.

Olive's love for music has been a significant part of her life. She expressed her preference for classical music, saying, "not the heavy stuff, it's not that I don't like it, it's just that I don't understand it, but yes, I like classical music."

Singing is another passion for Olive. "I love singing," she said, adding that she has always sung alto. "I've been singing alto, yes." Over the years, Olive has been involved in various musicals, including those performed at school and fundraisers down at the Consulate. "We've done some with Cathy Hopkins and those as fundraisers down at the Consulate," she recalled. "We've done a number of them there."

Olive also played a role in the formation of the Palmville Singers, which eventually became the St Helena Singers. She now sings with the church choir, a tradition she has been part of since childhood.

Olive's family was also involved in music, though not all of her siblings shared her passion. "Yes but not the boys," she laughed. She had five siblings, including Ethel, Ruth, Ronald, and Mervyn. Olive spoke fondly of her sister Ruth, who was a nurse, saying, "Ruth was nursing right from school... she was a qualified nurse and a very good nurse."

Olive reflects on the changes she has witnessed in St Helena, particularly with regard to music and culture. She believes that the current generation of children is not exposed to the same cultural opportunities that were available to her. "You don't hear children in groups singing, you don't hear school concerts or musicals. What do you think has gone wrong?" Olive wonders.

She attributes the lack of musical opportunities to a lack of structured time for music in the curriculum. "There's nothing in the curriculum that stipulates, right, for two hours every week we'll do music, nothing like that," she pointed out. "There's an important part of our lives, it should be part of the curriculum," she added, emphasising the need for the arts to be a more prominent part of children's education.

Olive's concern extends beyond music to the broader cultural shift. She believes that "our culture is being sapped" and stressed the importance of exposing children to different aspects of life. Reflecting on her own childhood, she said, "we used to pack our lunch and go for a walk in the country during school holidays, not sit around with boom boxes ... you've got to find something for them to do, something to catch their interest!"

'Together We Thrive'

Commonwealth Day 2025 celebrated on St Helena



Representatives from Island Primary Schools at the Flag Raising Ceremony

Liam Yon, SAMS

St Helena joined Commonwealth countries around the world on Monday, 10 March, to recognise and celebrate Commonwealth Day 2025 – which falls annually on the second Monday of March, in a day that aims to unite member countries in celebration.

As usual, this included assemblies at all island schools as well as a Flag Raising Ceremony held at Plantation House.

This year's theme, 'Together We Thrive', highlighted the shared values of Commonwealth nations, as articulated in the Commonwealth Charter.

The Flag Raising Ceremony was opened by Speaker of the House and St Helena Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Branch President, Cyril Gunnell, who delivered a welcome speech, highlighting the importance of shared values, particularly in building a future for and with young people.

In it, the Speaker referenced the Commonwealth Youth Programme and the re-establishment of St Helena's Youth Parliament, before calling for "continued support for youth initiatives."

His Excellency the Governor then read the message from Head of the Commonwealth, His Majesty King Charles III, before the Chief Minister read a message from the Right Honourable Patricia Scotland KC, Secretary-General of the Commonwealth of Nations. Chair of the Youth Parliament, Zac Bargo, read the Commonwealth Affirmation.

Speaker Gunnell then raised the Commonwealth Flag as part of the 'Fly a Flag for the Commonwealth' initiative which, as detailed by SHG, "aims to inspire participants to join with others throughout the Commonwealth, a family of 56 member states, which has a combined population of 2.7 billion, with more than 60% aged 29 or under, representing around a third of the world's Commonwealth's population."

"As we raise the Commonwealth flag today, let us remind ourselves of the core principles that unite us: respect for diversity, commitment to democracy, and dedication to human rights," commented Speaker Gunnell at the raising of the flag. "These ideals serve as a guiding light, encouraging us to embrace our differences while recognising the common threads that connect us all."

To commemorate the 76th anniversary of the Commonwealth of Nations, Sheena Benjamin from the St Helena National Trust, and Gerarda Hubbard of SHAPE St Helena, took to the podium as guest speakers at the ceremony.

Councillor Gillian Brooks, Chair of the Commonwealth Day Working Group, concluded the ceremony by giving thanks to HE the Governor,



HE Governor Phillips reading the message from Head of the Commonwealth, His Majesty King Charles III


Speaker Cyril Gunnell raising the flag


Hon Chief Minister Julie Thomas reading the message from the Rt Hon Patricia Scotland KC, Secretary-General of the Commonwealth of Nations


Zac Bargo, Youth Parliament Chair, reading the Commonwealth Affirmation

speakers, attendees, Plantation House staff, and the Working Group.

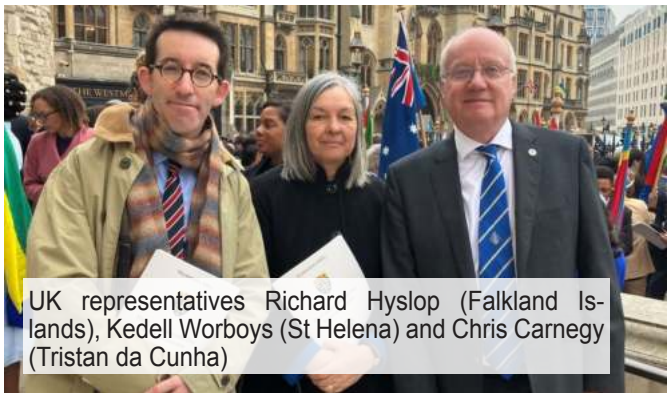
In addition to the ceremony at Plantation, Commonwealth Day assemblies were also held at island schools. They were attended by Elected Members of the Legislative Council, who respectively read His Majesty the King's Commonwealth Day message.

In the UK, SHG's UK Representative, Kedell Worboys, was also invited to attend several engagements to commemorate Commonwealth Day. "In the morning, Mrs Worboys attended the Commonwealth 76th Anniversary Flag Raising ceremony in Parliament," informed SHG. "Additionally, she laid a wreath on behalf of the Government and people of St Helena at a ceremony at the Commonwealth Memorial Gates commemorating Victory over Japan Day and the end of the Second World War. In the afternoon, Mrs Worboys, with UK representatives from The Falkland Islands and Tristan da Cunha, attended the Commonwealth Observance at Westminster Abbey."

Aside from the assemblies, a number of activities and fun sessions were held during the school day in all primary schools to mark the occasion.

'Together We Thrive' – Happy Commonwealth Day 2025!


The Commonwealth Day Working Group


UK representatives Richard Hyslop (Falkland Islands), Kedell Worboys (St Helena) and Chris Carnegy (Tristan da Cunha)


St Paul's Primary celebrates Commonwealth Day

"Hopefully long lasting"

Peter Meihuizen and his team share insights into Meihuizen International, its ties to St Helena, and their recent visit to the island





Demy Herne, SAMS

St Helena recently welcomed a visit from key figures of a long-standing trading and procurement company that has maintained close ties with the island for over 50 years. The company has played a vital role in ensuring the island receives essential supplies.

The visiting team included Peter Meihuizen , Founder and Director of Meihuizen International, Rowena Ramos, Director of Trading and Procurement, and Daniel Kannemeyer, Export Manager responsible for logistics.

During their visit, the trio was interviewed by Tony Leo, who asked Peter why they had all chosen to visit St Helena at this particular time.

"Well, we have a large client on the island, which is Solomon & Company, and it was actually my very first client I think in 1970 or 71, thereabouts, and it's become a very close association and so we come back every couple of years to see them," Peter explained.

Peter described their company as "a merchandise company, it's mainly government-owned; it's a general trading company." Their primary role is procuring goods, including for St Helena, from South Africa; ensuring essential supplies reach the island to meet the needs of both businesses and residents. Solomon & Company remains their main client, but they also provide services to other businesses on the island.

Peter also recalled the company's involvement with St Helena's shipping services. "The shipping side we did, we provided the shipping service on the island for a couple of years and then it was succeeded by a friend of ours who took it away from us," he said. "But still we would ship on that ship because it is a duly appointed vessel to operate between Cape Town and St Helena."

Speaking about her role in the company, Rowena, who manages procurement for the island, explained that although Solomon's is their biggest client, they also work with other businesses. "We're always open to business, we like to visit our clients and to find out where we can do better and the service we offer, and also look at new things we can do," Rowena said.

When asked if there were any improvements they hoped to make to their service, Rowena acknowledged that while they are rarely on the island to witness the offloading of shipments, they are always looking for ways to improve their processes. "I'm not familiar when the ship is offloading because we're never here to see that part and like this week we were here and we couldn't because of the rough seas, and it would have been nice to have seen that," she explained. Despite this, she praised the efforts on-island, adding that, "they're doing a good job on the island and the food is good. The people are always friendly and that's why I always come back. Being here a few times, this was my best trip."

Rowena also revealed her family ties to St Helena, explaining that she has ancestral roots on the island. "Somewhere I need to dig into my history," she explained. "My Granny is from St Helena Island, her name is Anna, what I need to find out is her maiden surname, I only know her married surname. They used to call her Annie."

Danny, visiting the island for the first time, explained his role in ensuring goods and fuel supplies are delivered from South Africa to St Helena. "I'm the Export Manager at our company and I look after the logistics of and movement of the cargo from South Africa and St Helena. We also look after the fuel supply, moving the fuel from South Africa, for example, for the planes that are landing here and departing here," Danny said.

Danny acknowledged that while they always aim to meet shipment deadlines, delays are sometimes unavoidable. "We always try our darnedest to make the vessel, but sometimes the time constraints, it doesn't allow us," he explained. Factors such as port delays or rough seas can make timely deliveries challenging. Peter added, "we always try our utmost to do that."

When asked if their company was a small operation, Peter explained that their team consists of around 50 staff members, though this number can vary. Their company's work extends far beyond St Helena, handling international trade, customs clearance, and vessel representation. Peter explained that they are also

involved in some rather unusual trade items. "We deal in a few rather unusual products like aloe extract. It has various medicinal uses," he explained.

Peter reflected on his long history with St Helena, recalling his first trip to the island during the days of the Union-Castle Line. "My first voyage over to St Helena was on the Good Hope Castle, which had just been repaired after catching fire and she nearly went down, it's a pity she didn't," Peter joked.

Peter also highlighted the company's significant role in the development of the St Helena Airport and the reconstruction of the island's harbour. "We worked closely with the advisory from the logistics point and we were responsible for everything that was to develop at the St Helena Airport. We did the harbour as well, the reconstruction to accommodate vessels in a more efficient manner."

For Danny, this visit was his first time experiencing St Helena, and he was impressed by the island's charm and hospitality. "It's my first time and it's much more beyond my expectations, it's a very nice island and I enjoyed it thoroughly. It's my first time here, but it will never be my last because I think the people are friendly, and I really appreciate all the people here."

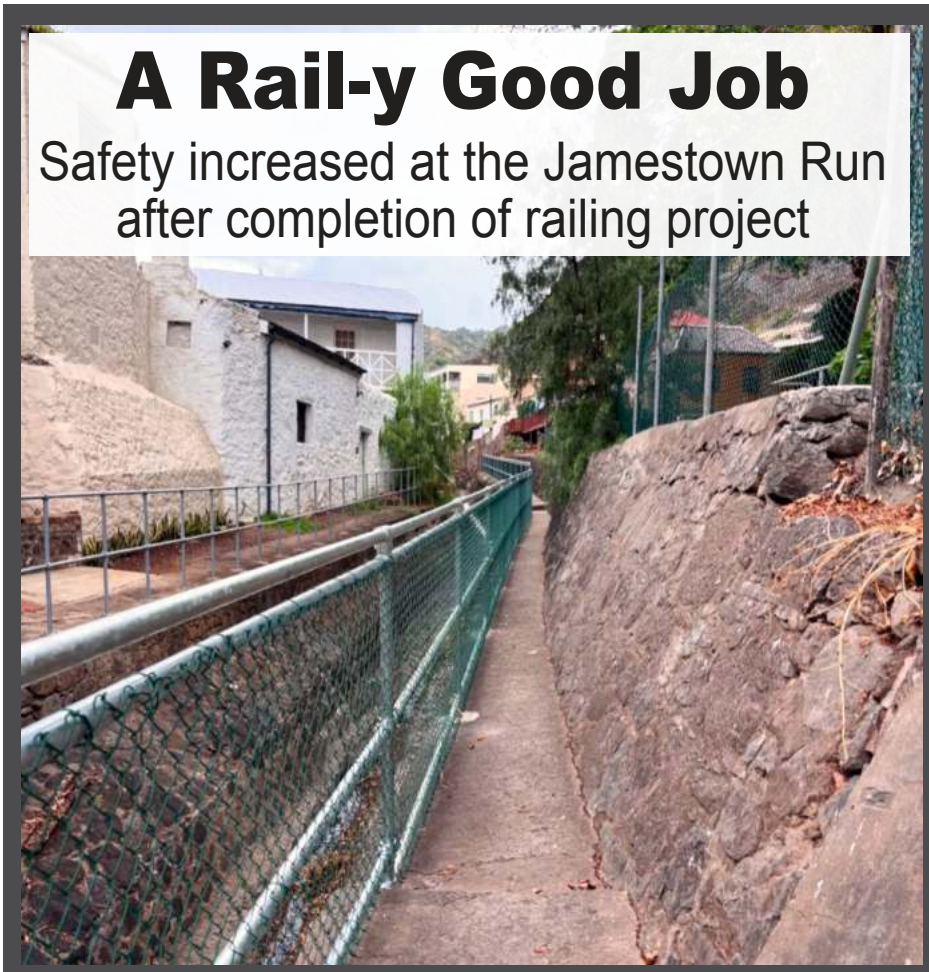


Peter concluded the interview with Tony by reaffirming the company's commitment to St Helena and their valued relationship with Solomons and the island community. "I just want to say it's my original client and so it's very special, it's very enjoyable and hopefully long lasting."



A Rail-y Good Job

Safety increased at the Jamestown Run after completion of railing project



Liam Yon, SAMS

A popular walking route in Jamestown has received a significant increase in safety standards, with local contractor S. Doy Construction having quickly and effectively completed the installation of safety railings along what was identified as a high-risk area of the Jamestown Run, just below the former Duke of Edinburgh Playground.

This project was funded under the Economic Development Investment Programme (EDIP) as one of their micro-projects for 24/25, with the aim to increase safety in an area that had become synonymous with accidents and falls – including as recently as this past year – with even a fatal accident having occurred in the area.

Works to erect an approximately 85-metre railing system began back in mid-January this year, with The Run having been closed to the public during these works. The contractor has since completed these works and the Jamestown Run, as confirmed by SHG, is once again "fully reopened to the public."

After announcing the completion of works, many residents took to Social Media to show their appreciation to S. Doy Construction for a job well done. There was also a shared view that the installation of safety rails should've been made a priority by SHG a long time ago, considering the dangers it presented to the public, though there was gratitude that this has now been completed, albeit belatedly.

The Programme Management Office, who manages EDIP projects on-Island, was also pleased with the work done by the contractor. "The PMO would like to thank S. Doy Construction for their efficient work and the public for their understanding and patience during the construction period," they said.

This new railing system now ensures that both regular and sporadic users of the walkway adjacent to the Jamestown Run can now do so without fear of falling in below the DOE Playground; ensuring a much safer route in an out of lower Jamestown via the historic waterway.

Education, Skills & Employment

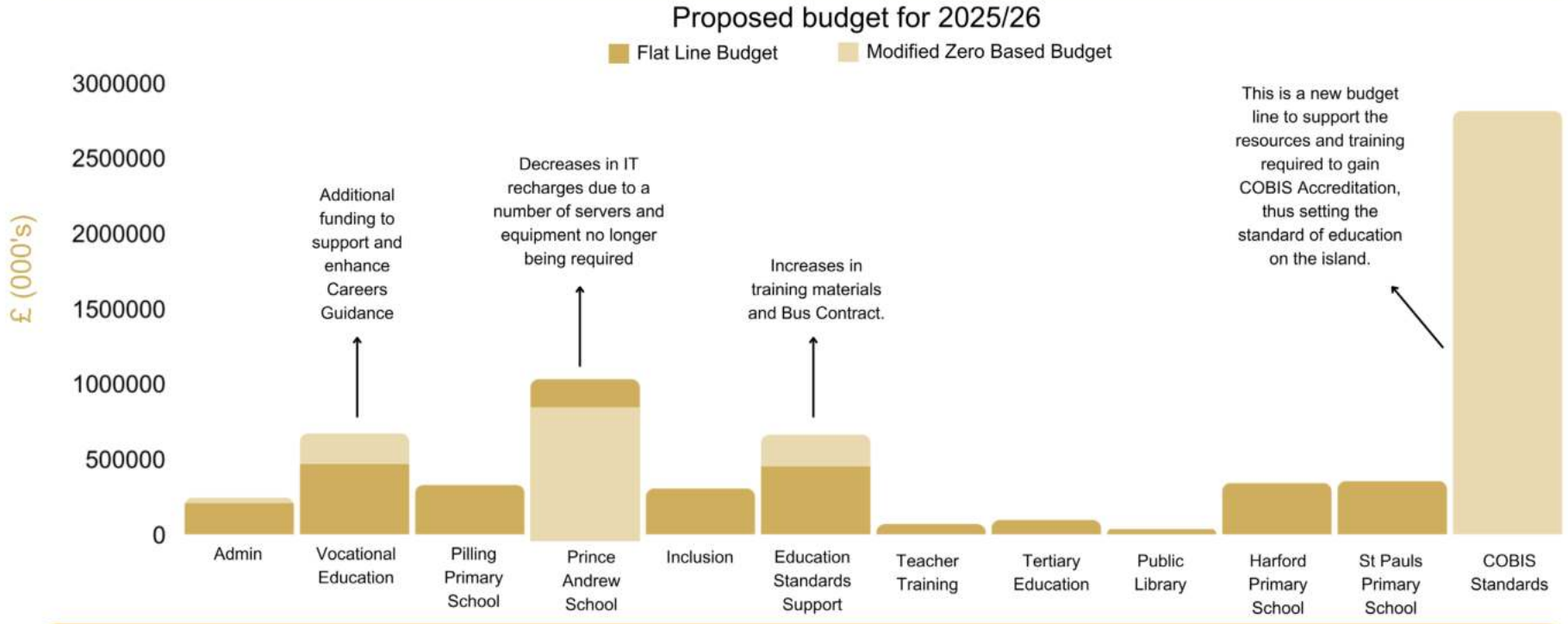
PROPOSED 2025/26 BUDGETS

The Education, Skills and Employment Portfolio is responsible for the education, training and development of our young people and for providing further education, professional training, professional development opportunities and career's guidance to the wider community supporting the economic and human capital development of the Island of St. Helena.

The Portfolio works to the Education Ordinance 2008 and the Employment Rights Ordinance 2010 in our efforts to achieve the strategic goal; Altogether better for children and young people.

The ESE Portfolio received two capital bid funding streams for the financial year 2024-25; £8K for a replacement Lawnmower and £60K for resurfacing the Sport Hall flooring both in relation to Prince Andrew School (PAS).
The Portfolio also received additional recurrent funding to support Year 2 of the Sixth Form Programme amounting to £26K and the Graduate Programme amounting to £40K.

The Portfolio did not receive any additional supplementary funding for the financial year 2024-25.



The Flat-Line Budget is £3,687,153 and the Modified ZBB amounts to £6,839,975, resulting in a difference of £3,152,822.
£2,813,212 of which is attributed to necessary resources required to gain COBIS Standards Accreditation as per the breakdown below:

- Safeguarding and Safer Recruitment - £21,000.00
- Student Welfare - £53,900.00
- Facilities - £399,487.00
- Ethos and Values - £119,000.00
- Teaching and Learning - £2,187,725.00
- Leadership - £22,500.00
- Extracurricular Enrichment and Engagement - £9,600.00

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The MV Europa is expected to arrive at St Helena on Sunday 23 March at 8am and depart at 6pm

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- Stitches Ridge
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- Plantation House
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Be Friendly
Be Organised
Be Prepared *(show off your Local Knowledge)*
Be Flexible *(changes may be required due to sea conditions)*



IN SCOPE: RECAPPED

In Scope: Safety, Security & Home Affairs



Focus on Training Abroad and Adopting English Laws

Anita Robbertse, SAMS

Minister for SS&HA, Jeffrey Ellick had Simon Wade (Emergency Planning and Sea Rescue Manager), Terri Clingham (Deputy Head of Maritime) and Simon Dykes (Senior Crown Counsel & Crown Prosecutor) as his guests on In Scope this week. Simon W and Terri shared information on the training courses they had recently attended abroad while Simon D joined to bring the public up to speed with the proposed additions to St Helena's criminal law that will be adopted from English law to cover, in particular, cyber crimes.

Simon Wade attended a Search and Rescue (SAR) workshop in Miami funded by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA). St Helena, as part of the UKOTs, is governed by two conventions that relate to maritime and aviation safety - International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) and Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS). SOLAS is an international maritime treaty which sets out minimum safety standards in the construction, equipment and operation of merchant ships. These conventions require the participant states to have some form of search and rescue service. This special workshop is particularly aimed at the UKOTs.

There were a number of countries and territories that attended the workshop as well as delegates from organisations such as the US Coast Guard, the French Navy and His Majesty's Coast Guard. On the first day, progress updates were presented by previous attendees as well as introductions and governance overviews from new participants, such as St Helena. On the second day, the International Maritime Rescue Federation looked at equality and diversity in search and rescue. St Helena already has a number of women working in this sector, but globally this is an issue. The third day centred on maritime search and rescue with a specific focus on mass rescue operations. Mass rescue operations pertain to any incident that could overwhelm the rescue service in a specific location. The definition of a mass rescue operation would differ from one place to the next depending on the capacity of the service available in that location. The final day of the workshop focused on safety at aeronautical centres across the globe.

One of the trends that was identified as a common problem is that of training - where to find training of a good standard and where to source funding for the necessary training. In addition it was a valuable networking opportunity in securing support for the future. Simon felt that joining the International Maritime Rescue Federation (IMRF) would be beneficial for St Helena to consider as the advantages of becoming a member would greatly outweigh the fee of joining. Ascension Island is already a member of the IMRF and is reaping the benefits of their membership.

Terri recently completed a course at Cranfield University to complete a post-graduate certificate in Safety and Accident Investigation. Under the International Maritime Organisation's (IMO) triple I code, it is a requirement for a Flag State to have a qualified Flag State Investigator to investigate maritime incidents. Fulfilling this obligation now improves compliance with IMO requirements.

In November, Terri also attended a Disaster Management and Counter Pollution Conference for all the OTs in Miami. The two-day Disaster Management Conference focused on the hurricane season in the Caribbean. St Helena is in a good position with regards to their response plans compared to other OTs, especially with a focus on emergency planning for major incidents and the risk register.

The remaining three days was taken up by the Counter Pollution Conference with a focus on hazardous and noxious substances. Here, again, St Helena is doing well with regards to response plans and port plans to deal with oil spills and such.

Simon Dykes spoke to Jeff about the AG Office's proposal to adopt UK law here on St Helena relating especially to cyber crimes. The necessity for strengthening these laws on St Helena came to light during a larger piece of work focussing on cyber security on island. This highlighted that the law on St Helena has not been keeping up with legislation worldwide and, in particular, the UK. Although it is not always the best option to simply adopt UK laws into St Helenian law, in this case, with criminal law being the focus, this would be the simplest and most efficient way forward to ensure that criminal offences can be prosecuted.

Law on St Helena, especially the Criminal law, is based on the English law as it stood before 1 January 2006, allowing the island to apply and utilise this insofar as it is relevant and applicable to St Helena. This is effective for most criminal cases however English law applications really recommend annual reviews of any relevant legislation brought into force in the UK to consider adopting these in the country/territory of application. Due to a large number of developments and changes in the law since 2006 it has become necessary to review the criminal law on St Helena to keep up with the changing times. Without these changes it is difficult to prosecute certain offences, especially ones pertaining to fraud and cyber crimes.

The new Fraud Act was introduced in the UK in 2006 to simplify the prosecution of fraud crimes. Prior to this act, there was no general offence of fraud so a number of different acts related to theft had to be used to prosecute this criminal offence. This is still the case on St Helena, leaving a lot of conflicting statutes making offences of fraudulent nature very difficult to prosecute. Instead of attempting to re-invent the wheel, it is simpler for St Helena to adopt the necessary laws from the English law system that have already been tried and tested in their legal system.

The aim will be to modernise legislation on island by adopting English laws that is available and applicable to St Helena. The first step was to identify sections of St Helenian criminal law that needed updating as well as recognising where existing English law would be appropriate to adopt. A big part of the focus will be on legislation in the cyber crime field. The island is not well equipped to deal with online safety crimes and online abuse. St Helena has the Telecommunications Ordinance under which some offenses can be prosecuted, but this does not provide adequate means to prosecute all cyber-related crimes. As the island becomes

more digitally sophisticated with better internet access, people's behaviour will have to be regulated to ensure the safety of internet users on island. There are many examples of how abusive people can be on social media and a lot of sexual offences are committed on a regular basis online. Legislation on island needs to be modernised to ensure the safety of everyone on the island. To achieve this, one option would be to apply the updates to the Computer Misuse Act to address all the new developments in technology and computer use. Although there are legislation on island that can be applied to prosecute these kind of criminal offenses, adopting the package of communications network offences that is part of the updated law in the UK would greatly improve and streamline prosecuting such offenses here.

Other legal offenses that will also be easier to prosecute under the proposed adopted laws are false communication and threatening communication. This kind of communication causes psychological harm to people and should be a punishable offense. Deliberately sending false information with the intent to cause distress is currently an offense in the UK and should be an offense here on St Helena as well.

Drafting new legislation to deal with the shortages in the law on St Helena would take up considerable time and resources, whereas adopting the English legislation can ensure a much quicker and more cost-efficient process. In addition, the English law has been through the scrutiny process and has been tried and tested in the English courts. Adopted laws can be adapted to suit unique circumstances here on St Helena, bringing laws into force to deal with criminal offences quickly and easily, preventing the long process of drafting new laws and the legislative procedures that surrounds this process.

Online sexual offences is another area that will be addressed by adopting laws that deal with these kind of offenses specifically related to the increasing issue of sharing intimate photographs in an unsolicited fashion or cyber flashing as it is known. Intimate photographs are also being used as leverage and as threats when relationships break up. All of these kinds of behaviour can cause distress and harm and should legally be considered a criminal offense. Adopting the new laws will also enable the justice system on island to deal more efficiently with these kinds of offenses as well. There is other legislation that will deal with offenses related to the possession of extreme pornographic imagery that will be criminalised here on St Helena by updating our legislation.

The legislation works and has been successfully applied in courts, it just needs to be adopted here on the island excluding the parts of the legislation that does not specifically apply to St Helena. The English Law adoption ordinances do make provision for adopting only sections of the law that applies to a specific territory.

Simon ended off the program by saying: "We all have an online life and as much as in the real world, there is a need for us to regulate people's behaviour online as much as there is out on the street these days and I think that the introduction of this legislation by virtue of adoption rather than legislating afresh is the quickest, easiest, most efficient way to ensure that we bring the law up to speed on the island."

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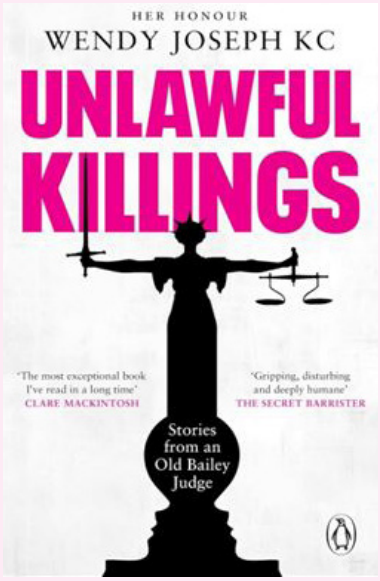
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Book of the Week

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Unlawful Killings by Wendy Joseph KC

'Every day in the UK lives are suddenly, brutally, wickedly taken away. Victims are shot or stabbed. Less often they are strangled or suffocated or beaten to death. Rarely are they poisoned, pushed off high buildings, drowned or set alight. Then there are the many who are killed by dangerous drivers, or corporate gross negligence. There are a lot of ways you can kill someone. I know because I've seen most of them at close quarters.'

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With breath-taking skill and deep compassion, the author describes how cases unfold and illustrates exactly what it's like to be a murder trial judge and a witness to human good and bad. Sometimes very bad.

The fracture lines that run through our society are becoming harder and harder to ignore. From a unique vantage point, the author warns that we do so at our peril.

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- 11am: American Connections (Repeat)
- 2pm: Our Show (Repeat)
- 5:30-7pm: OUT OUT! with Liam
- 7:30pm: Country Classics (Repeat)

SAT. MAR 15
- 9am-12 Noon: Saturday Show with Demy Herne
- 1pm-3pm: Northward Sounds (repeat)
- 3-5pm: Modern Country Chart with Donna Crowie (Repeat)
- 8:30pm: Out Out (repeat)

SUN. MAR 16
- 7am-noon: Sunday Show with Anita & Deon
- 1pm : Interview Hour
- 3-4:30pm: UK Chart Show with Demy Herne
- 5pm: In Scope
- 7pm: Seventh day Adventist Church Service
- 20:30: Classical Compilations

MON. MAR 17
- 7am-9am: Sunrise with Luke Bennett
- 9am: Select committee 2 hearing
- 5:30pm: Country Classics
- 7:30pm: Sound of the 80's with John Turner

TUE. MAR 18
- 7am-9:00am: Morning Show with Demy
- 9am - 11am : mid morning Show with Donna
- 11am-1pm: Vibes with Annika
- 2pm: In Scope
- 3:30pm: American Connections with Brian Clough
- 5:30-7pm: Uk chart Show with Demy Herne
- 7:30pm: Classical Compilations

WED. MAR 19
- 7am-8:30am : Sunrise with Deon
- 8:30am-10:30am: Our Show
- 11am-1pm: Northward sounds with Tony Leo
- 1pm-3pm: 1548 with Ferdie
- 4-7pm: Afternoon Drive with Luke Bennett
- 7:30pm: Vibes

THU. MAR 20
- 7am-10am: Sunrise with Luke and Liam
- 1pm: Lunchtime vibes with Demy
- 4pm: Sounds of the 80's
- 5-7pm: Modern Country Chart with Donna Crowie
- 7:30pm: In Scope

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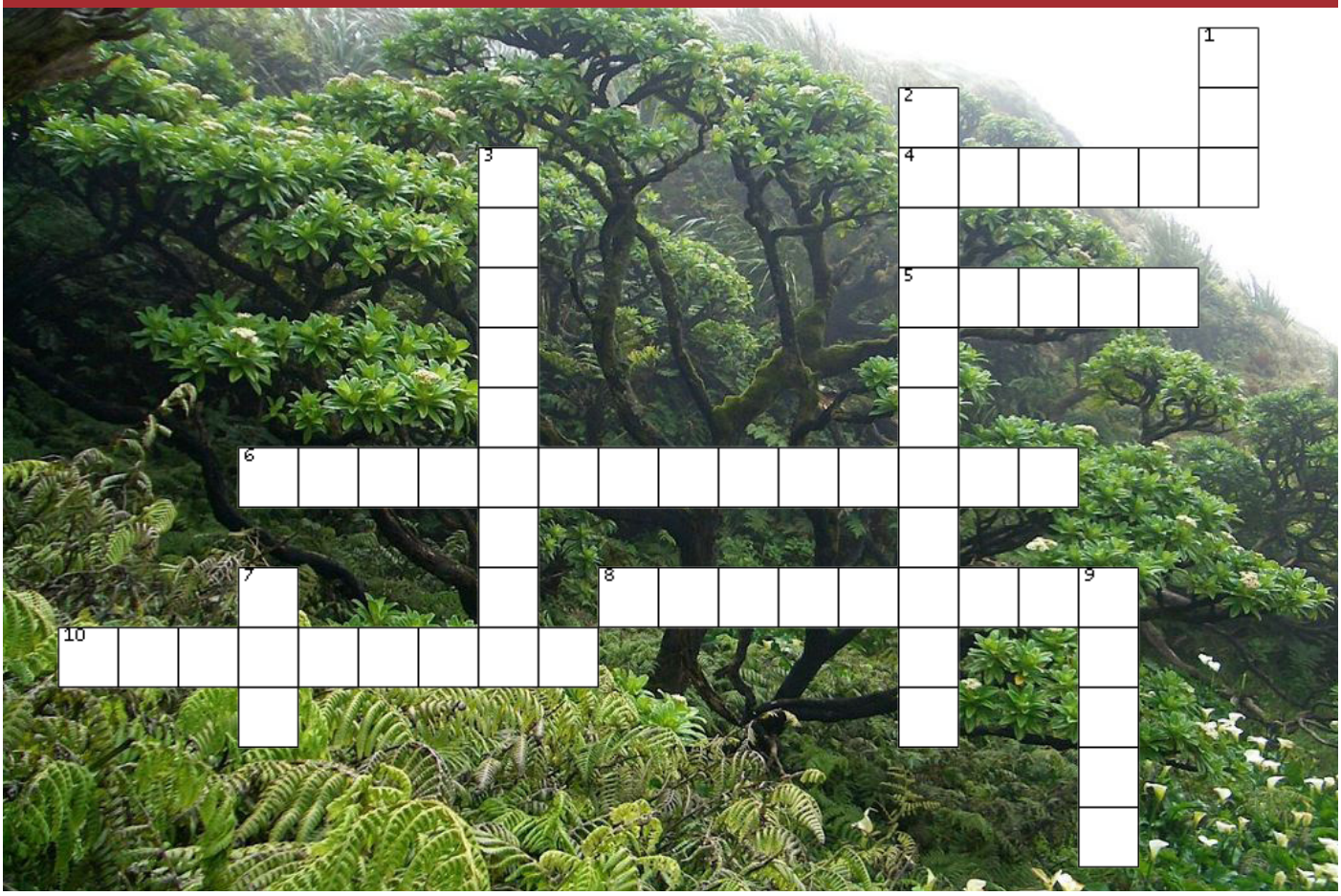
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Crossword: Trees



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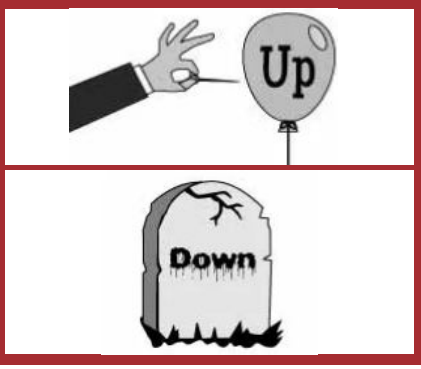
4. Almost 400 billion trees belonging to 16,000 different species grow in what rainforest?
5. Amber is made from fossilised tree what?
6. What tree is considered the tallest growing tree in the world? (7,7)
8. What tree is particularly associated with Buddha? (5,4)
10. What evergreen tree bears the fruit from which chocolate are made? (5,4)

DOWN

1. Cedars and Junipers are both evergreen coniferous trees, with the Cedar Tree found in abundance on St Helena. Juniper Berries are known to be used to make which alcoholic spirit?
2. The Womping Willow is a tree from which series of books? (5,6)
3. The leaf of what tree adorns the Canadian flag? (5,4)
7. Which tree's leaf is the symbol of the UK National Trust?
9. What St Helena endemic tree produces a white flower that features on the PAS crest?

Rebus Puzzle:

Figure out the phrase



Famous Birthday on 13 March



JACK HARLOW (26)

Sentinel Joke of the day

Why can't you hear a pterodactyl going to the bathroom?

Because the "P" is silent.

Last week's Crossword Answers

Shrek

ACROSS

5. The big bad
7. Orge
8. Green
9. MikeMyers
10. Roar

DOWN

1. Arthur
2. Dragon
3. Cinderella
4. Donkey
6. Frog

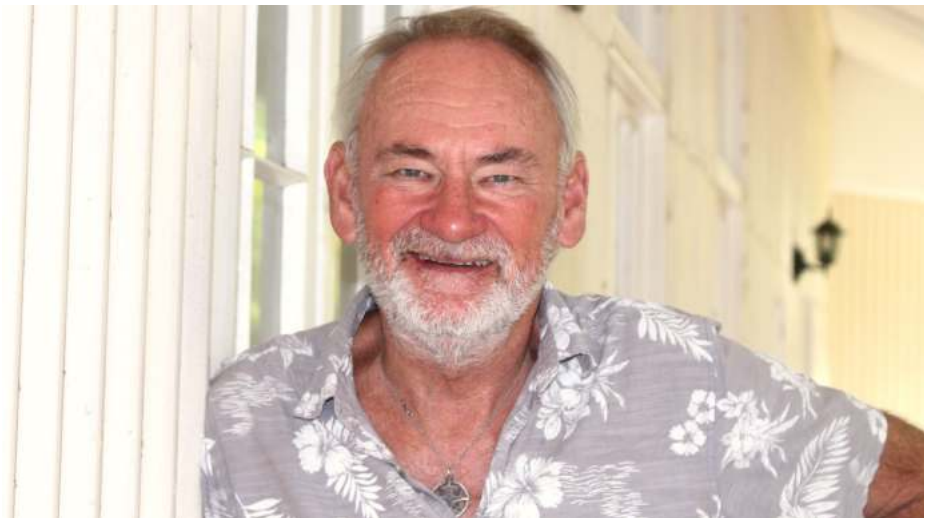
Rebus Answers:

1.Pop-up, 2.Die Down

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"I try to keep it real"

A man on a mission, The Sentinel speaks to 'Adventures of an Old Seadog' YouTube star, Barry Perrins, about his solo journey around the world, his passions, and his search for his family roots that have brought him to St Helena



Liam Yon, SAMS

It was toward the end of January this year that an intriguing Facebook post was put up by a man called Barry Perrins and the post read, 'in 1684 a man called Matthew Bazett arrived on a sailing ship to St Helena. 341 years later, his seven times great grandson will relive this event, sailing single-handed on a small boat around the world. I'm coming next month to find the man who was and is a part of me, why I am who I am.'

After a quick dive on the web, it was found that Barry was not just a sailor on an inspiring mission, but he was also a singer, a videographer and a pretty popular social media influencer as well.

On 17 February, Barry sailed into James Bay and a few days later sat down for a chat in the studio at SAMS Radio 1.

Hi Barry, when did you arrive and what have you been up to since anchoring in James Bay?

I haven't actually been up too much. I'm a typical sailor. I arrived here about four days ago.

Since then, my fridge broke and now my toilet broke yesterday. So I've been up to my neck in, well, unmentionables and fixing things upside down in the boat. Well, that's part of sailing, but I'm hoping now that's semi sorted out, I can start exploring this beautiful country.

Who is Barry Perrins, where are you from and when did your love for sailing begin?

I was born in Nigeria. My father was working abroad at the time and long story short, I've been travelling all my life as a kid. He pulled us around all over the world. And I had this interesting family living on the Isle of Man, which is a small island between Ireland and England. It's known for TT races. My grandfather was called Bazett and I was brought up on tales of this chap living on this tiny island down by Africa; and that's where it all started.

In November 2015, you posted a video to your Adventures of an Old Sea Dog YouTube channel titled 'the beginning' where you travel to Portugal to purchase a sailing boat called the 'White Shadow of Pool'. Talk me through your journey building up to this moment, and then take it from there.

Well, I've always had that idea that I wanted to sail around the world. But it's a big thing to do, and I didn't really tell anybody that because I, in my earlier life, used to boast and say things and never do them and, you know, we're all guilty of that. I kind of got fed up of doing that, so I just kept my mouth shut and I bought a boat.

My father died, unfortunately, as our parents do as we get older, and I inherited his house, which I turned into a boat. I thought, I could buy a really expensive car, or I could buy a rusty old boat - well, it wasn't rusty and old when I bought it – and do something with my life, which is basically what it's all about; you got to get up and do stuff.

So yeah, I ended up buying this boat in Portugal and that was 10 years ago that I took her back to England, refitted her out, closed my life up, packed everything of value to me on the boat, and set sail.

What is the dream here?

Well, I just announced now, actually on the video that's coming out tonight, that it's official, I'm sailing around the world. For that very reason, I just said, I didn't really tell people I was just sailing the world as far as I could, but I'm actually now in a good position to get around the world. In fact, I kind of almost have because Falmouth where I left from in the UK is at five degrees, and so is St Helena; so I've actually sailed five degrees to five degrees around the globe now.

Tell me about Matthew Bazett and how his has story inspired you?

There's several things about this chap, Matthew Bazett. He was the first person that carried the name Bazett and I've come up with some new facts about that, but for the most part, anybody who's called Bazett in the world, and there's loads of them, all come from this one man; including myself.

He was a French Huguenot, which is the French Protestants, and they were escaping Europe back in the 1600s, and Matthew went to Britain. I have a feeling he might have come to Plymouth where I live; there was a lot of Huguenots arrived there in 1684.

Then later on, he got on a ship, which was the old sort of, well, these days, it's unpopular, the colonial sort of system of the time was the East India Company; which, of course, owned or ran the island, as we all know. So he came out in their employ on the ship Charles II and they anchored off the front here on 3 January, 1684, and he stepped ashore; which is 341 years ago, I think.

So how did it feel for you stepping ashore in St Helena?

It was an emotional moment. It was emotional. I knew it was going to be. I could imagine the old Charles II ship at anchor here, and the research I've done since I've been here, of course, the island has changed an awful lot since those days; very little of what was there is around now, but yeah, he would have

stepped ashore. I think life was pretty brutal here; it wasn't all fun, you know, coming to an island in the middle of nowhere.

Then there was a girl called Bridget Coles. Coles, I know, is another family tree on the island, and she was supposed to marry some other guy and then didn't, she instead married Matthew; and that was the seed that brought me to life.

Give me a few standout stories from your journeys so far? What's the most unique place you've visited?

I mean, unique is probably going to be here. But one of the most frightening was, well, the day, I call it the day I wasn't very proud of myself, when I was going into Australia. I'd had a rough time, bad crossing, dreadful weather, really awful, huge seas and I lost control of the boat. I couldn't get the boat to do what I wanted it to do and I was drifting towards shallow water. I'd been in touch with people ashore, what they call pan-pan, it's not like a mayday, it's more like, I'm having a bit of trouble just to let you know I'm here. Eventually, the guy on the radio says, do you want us to come and get you?

The reason I was at that point was because of a mental state. It's exhaustion. We all have our point of collapse, no return or giving up, if you like. I was at that point, I was totally mentally spent. I could have managed to get myself out of it, but I was mentally just not there. So they came and got me and it was a long tow back, and I'm grateful to them for coming out for me.

How difficult is it to keep positive when you're sailing on your own?



Yeah, it's just you have to not let yourself get frightened. You have to be the positive guy all the time and, of course, when you're by yourself, you've got no one to fall back on. It is you and you alone. So you've got to dig deep sometimes. That's the only way I can describe it, especially with a fear thing. Dig deep, make yourself not afraid and think things through. Don't do impulsive stuff; think, think, think.

There was a point years ago, I was working on doing diving out in the Red Sea and one day I realised that no, there was nobody else on the boat that knew more than I did. That's not a boast. It's just when you've been doing a job for so long, you become the master, if you like, of what you're doing, and I turned that point probably a couple of years ago on the boat. Up until that point, I was always thinking, what would so and so do? Then one day, I just thought, no, I know the answer. You just got to find out what it is, Barry. Dig deep, boy.

Give me an insight into some of the places you've travelled to?

I think the one that topped it for me was New Zealand. I'd heard of Milford Sound, which is in the South Island and it is unquestionably one of the most beautiful places in the world; it's listed as one of the eight natural wonders of the world. It's breathtakingly beautiful and a place I must go back to.

But I think not so much the physical characteristics of a country, but it's the people. On my travels, I have met so many beautiful people. I have people, I won't say where from, but some sections of communities say you need a weapon; you need to look out for bad people, this and that. Obviously you keep clear of pirate areas and places where there'd be trouble; if you're in a bar and you think it's going to kick off, you walk and you go somewhere else, you must be aware all the time. But I've got to say, everybody I've met along the way, everybody's just been beautiful people.

Normal people are the best and it doesn't matter where you go, what country you go to, what colour they are, what religion; sometimes you have to dig a little bit to get there, but no, it's there.

How far away are you from completing your mission?

Well, as I said, I've done the five degrees to five degrees, but it's not recognised as circum-navigational. You need to cross the equator again, because we're still in the southern hemisphere here, and cross your outward track and/or return to your departure point, which would be, well, single-handedly from Falmouth, but originally left from Plymouth, but I had a crew until Falmouth. So yes, I'm going back to the UK and at that point I will feel comfortably confident that I have done the job.

You have a large following across social media, particularly your YouTube channel 'Adventures of an Old Sea Dog' (125k subscribers and over 28.5million views). Tell me about this.

Well, I'm super pleased. I used to make videos, silly comedy vignettes, if you like, years ago. Some of them are unfortunately still on there. I shouldn't have mentioned it. I never did anything with that. When I stopped doing it, and then when I got the boat, technology changed also with the small cameras and high definition stuff, so I thought I'd film it and I didn't know what to do.

I think I was about a year into the trip and I came up with the Adventures of an Old Sea Dog idea and it appeals to armchair adventures, if you like. I'm trying not to be unkind, but people who wish they were doing stuff, but they can't for one reason or another, usually probably because of age. They're not as fit as they used to be and so on. So I appeal to those kind of people, just people who want to do this and maybe look to me for advice or just to see how it's done.

There's various reasons, but I'm glad it's taken off.

How difficult it is to document your journeys on top of having to sail your boat single-handedly?

Yeah, I try to keep it real.

Everything about my boat is real as well; I have a wind vane system, which steers the boat. No electronic doodad that does that. So, I try to keep it as real as I can. Obviously, I use electronics, electronic plotter, AIS, GPS, all the things like that and also because I do media work, I use a certain amount of technology to carry on with that as well.

But I keep it real, I try to. One of the best videos was, well not best, as I was posted missing for 71 days crossing the Pacific. When the French air and sea rescue flew over me and said, 'hello, hello, how are you' I burst into tears and I did it on camera. I remember editing it and thinking, should I put this in or not? But everybody's like, yeah, perfect, it showed what you were feeling at the time.

I'm going to read you a comment right now from three years ago on a video you uploaded from a guy called Jack, who said, 'I've been watching your adventures since episode 100 and now I'm starting from the first and I just want to say you have inspired me to do this kind of journey myself. I'm 21 years old from Finland and I'm starting to save up for a boat. Love you mate, you have ignited a fire inside me'. Do you get this often and how do these type of comments make you feel?

Oh, it's just beyond awesome. I'm almost embarrassed about it, that I could be responsible for that, but then I'm super happy about it. I just don't know how to handle it sometimes.

I was talking to this guy because when I meet people, I meet a lot of people,

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some will come right out and say I watch your videos and some won't. I was talking to this guy one day and he just looked at me and said, do you know you inspired me to do what I'm doing now, just out of the blue. It knocked me back. I nearly teared up then. Man up Barry, man up. People are watching.

But yeah, I'm honestly honoured by that. Really honoured, yes.

We've touched on your sailing and your videography, but there's a third passion and it's singing. Tell me about your music.



Yeah, music has always been with me. I was not very good at it for a long time; not saying that I am brilliant at it now, but I've improved a little bit. It took me a while, very slow. I peak slowly, you see. I don't want to peak too soon; and well I didn't have the facilities to. Again, with what we were saying about technology now, you can record in your own bedroom.

So I started doing the music. I released the one song 'Halfway' and I've got an album in production at the moment, and a new single coming out at some point soon.

It's just part of what I wanted to do. I'm actually seeing a guy up the road here, James Fantom. I'm going to go chat to him.

How does your love for music tie into your journey?

Well, yeah, there's a lot more to do because I haven't had the time to pursue the music thing really with what I've been doing at the moment. But the idea is that I'm feeding off the success of 'Adventures of an Old Sea Dog' that it's almost like a merch thing, you know, where you can buy a hat or a t-shirt with your favourite YouTuber.

So people can buy the download if they want to, or they can just listen to the music. That's entirely up to them. But without the sailing videos, I wouldn't really have any success from the music, because there is so many people doing it; and there are a lot of people who are very good at doing it, but they're not going to get heard.

It's all down to media stuff. You've got to be media savvy. I know musicians back in the UK who are not media savvy, writing great songs and never going to get anywhere. So, yeah, I'm lucky to have that vehicle that I can put the songs on. So at least they'll get heard anyway.

Tell me about your song 'Halfway' what are the inspirations behind it and the message you're putting out?

Well, yeah, like we were talking earlier on, the stuff I did earlier was not so good, and I thought, well, from the feedback of what I was getting from Adventures of an Old Sea Dog, I should do songs about the sea and more about what relates to me. So that was the song, 'burning bridges as I go' and all that sort of stuff. So the words mean something. They've got some kind of meaning to them without getting too heavy. It's for entertainment and people are supposed to enjoy it. But yeah, it's sort of about me.

In the song you said you're 'looking for love'. Are you still looking?

I have met a couple of Saint girls since I've been here already; I won't mention any names. But yeah, I'm open to offers.

Where can people purchase your songs?

Okay, it is on iTunes. It's a professionally released song. But my preference is 'Bandcamp' - which is good for independent musicians like me, because you can deal directly with me through 'Bandcamp' if you like and you can pay whatever you want. It's a dollar, but it helps me continue what I'm doing.

I make money for my videos, but it's not huge; it's not like some of these big video people you see who have these big, big expenses; you only have to look at my boat, you know, I don't make a lot of money.

I'm curious to know how you're able to fund this incredible dream mission that you're on.

When you become a YouTube partner, as I am, as they call it, it's a special system which you have to adhere to. Copyright rules, for example. That's why all the music in my videos I pay a license for; so there is a cost to what I do, it's not all money coming in, it's money going out. So I have to have licenses for the music I use and so on and so forth. No swearing, it's got to be, you know, family, kiddie-friendly stuff; keep it a family show, if you like. I do manage to slip in a little tiny swear on occasion, but yeah, it's all clean; your granny could watch. So in return, you get advertising revenue, which is a pittance, really, but when you're getting big views, lots of hits, it could work out to paying your expenses.

Mr. Barry Seadog Perrins, it's been a pleasure to chat with you today. What's the plan for the remainder of your time here?

Okay, well, I'm going to continue with my quest to find my family, Bazett, B-A-Z-E-T-T. I know there's none alive on the island, but there will be some blood; we might even be related. When you work it backwards, there's a lot of people on this island that would share DNA with me, but the names are different, of course, and then there's Master Bazett's wife's family. So I just wanted to track down where he lived and some history.

I'm going to visit the archives and the museum and meet with the people there, we're going to arrange some time.

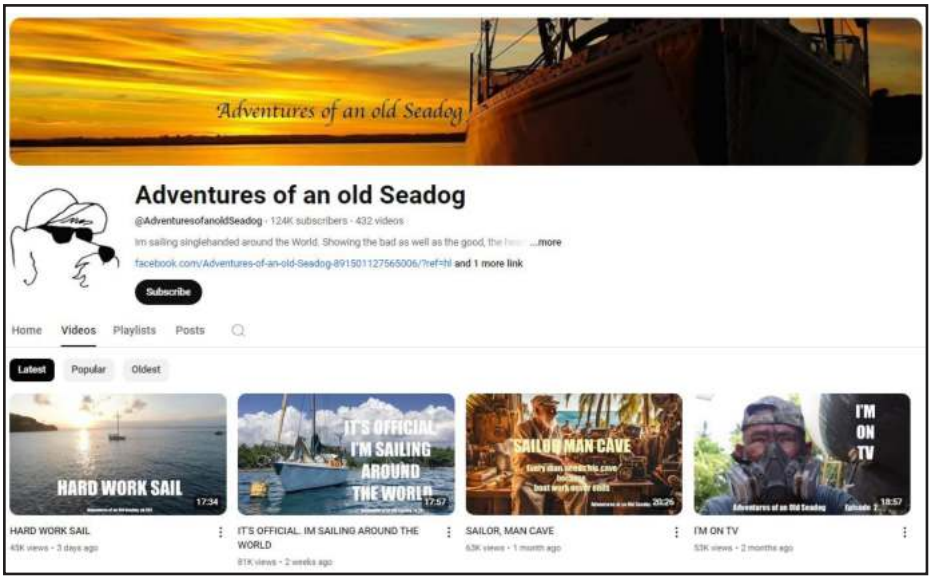
Finally Barry, how we can follow your journey?

Adventures of an Old Sea Dog. You can Google it, but it's on Facebook, it's on YouTube. I'm everywhere. I'm like a bad rash. You can't get rid of me now.

All the best, Barry

Cheers, Liam.

Catch Barry's full interview with SAMS with much more discussion and a listening of his song 'Halfway' via our SAMS Podcast page, available through www.sams.sh.



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St Helena Government

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

NON–EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

St Helena Government invites Expressions of Interest (EOI) from interested persons to undertake the role of **Non-Executive Director** on the Boards of State-Owned Entities (SOEs) and entities in which the St Helena Government has an equity interest.

Representing the St Helena Government as a Non-Executive Director on the boards of its State-OwnedEntities, you will strengthen links between entity strategy and government policy and provide financial leadership equivalent to that of Finance Director. You will be required to collaborate to facilitate an environment conducive to delivering growth, economic development and reform, maintaining effective lines of communication and monitoring arrangements. Helping to manage relationships with key stakeholders, you will work closely with Ministers and Senior Government Officials to articulate the direction of travel for the portfolio in delivering SHG policy.

In this role you will help drive improved performance and collaboration across the economic group, scrutinise and challenge spending and planning initiatives, manage externally commissioned consulting inputs,and implement recommendations designed to strengthen corporate governance and accountability between SHG and its SOEs.

As the SHG appointed Non-Executive Director, you would be expected to represent SHG on the following Boards: Bank of St Helena Ltd; Connect St Helena Ltd; St Helena Hotel Development Ltd; St Helena Airport Ltd and Solomon & Company (St Helena) PLC.

To provide the capacity required to help drive improvements in governance and performance across the SOEs this will be a full-time role although consideration may also be given to part-time and remote working options. However, the post holder will be required to be flexible and be able to respond to demand and work requirements. The role will include contribution to the SOE transformation agenda in addition to routine attendance at Board meetings, preparation time and reporting to Ministers and Officials.

You will have had to have held a similar role for a number of years and be a CIMA/ACCA or CCAB qualified accountant or equivalent with current membership and up to date CPD record. Experienced at board level in key industries such as utilities, banking, hospitality, insurance or retail would be an advantage. With a background in Public Sector organisations and being politically astute, your excellent interpersonal skills include listeningand negotiating and an ability to present detailed information in an informative and influential manner.

Further information about the duties of the post and a copy of the terms of reference, interested persons should contact:
Phil Sharman, SOE Non-Executive Director by email: phil.sharman@shg.gov.sh or by visiting the SHG website at: www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies.
Applications by CV and covering letter should be submitted by e-mail to recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than **4pm on Friday, 21st March 2025**

Vacancy

Travel Agent

Since 1790

Salary for the post will commence at £10,446 per annum (£870 per month)

Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has a vacancy within the Shipping & Travel Department for a Travel Agent.

As the Travel Agent, you will be responsible for passengers travel arrangements.

Interested Persons Should:

- Have Grade C or above in GCSE Maths & English or equivalent and possess competency in IT
- Have a customer focused approach with excellent frontline customer service skills
- Possess excellent organisation, interpersonal & communication skills
- Be highly analytical with a high degree of attention to detail
- Possess cash-handling experience
- Possess experience with performing general administrative duties
- Demonstrate commitment to continuous professional development and be willing to undertake further training, including training offshore as required
- Have the ability to multitask, organise workload and meet tight deadlines in a fast-paced environment
- Be target driven and committed to service excellence
- Be able to work independently and use own initiative to problem solve
- Be willing to work outside of normal working hours as required.

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

Anthea Joshua, Assistant Shipping & Travel Manager via 22523 asstshipping-travelmanager@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 **Thursday, 20 March 2025.**

Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc offers an attractive benefits package to Employees which includes but are not limited to:

- Pension Contributions
- Staff Discounts

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Vacancy

Part-Time Ramp Handlers

Rate of pay will be £6.20 per hour

Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has a vacancy for Part-Time Ramp Handlers 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 good standard of English & ICT
- Be in possession of a clean & valid Drivers' Licence ideally in class D
- Be committed to delivering an excellent level of Customer Service
- Be committed to undertake the required training and the necessary background and medical checks
- Be able to undertake repetitive Manual Handling & physically demanding duties
- Have the ability to multitask in a fast paced environment to meet tight deadlines
- Be able to work effectively in a team environment and remain calm in high pressure situations

For further information contact:

Jason Thomas, General Manager (Agencies) via 22523 gm-agencies@solomons.co.sh

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Vacancy

General Assistant - Packaging

Salary for the post will be £5,304 per annum (£102 per week) – 21 hours per week (Mon, Wed, Fri)

Job Outline:

To carry out the general day to day duties related to the production and packaging of bakery products and an effective cleaning program of the equipment and facilities

Interested Persons Should:

- Ideally possess knowledge and experience in food production, including Food & Hygiene and Health & Safety Awareness
- Have basic numeracy and literacy understanding
- Be able to carry out manual handling and repetitive tasks; have good time management, organisational skills and observational skills
- Be competent with operating production equipment as required
- Be able to undertake cash handling duties
- Be able to perform cleaning duties in accordance with operational requirements
- Be energetic and able to communicate and work well within a team
- Be committed to work unsocial hours and meet tight deadlines

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

Miss Daryl Legg, General Manager (Production) via 22380 gm-productions@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 Development Officer, Solomons Main Office, Jamestown by 17 **March 2025.**

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MULE YARD







For Lease by the Property Division is the Mule Yard. This is a great business opportunity in a popular recreational area, located near James Bay and with a prominent view of the ocean.

Registered as JT020006 and measured at 0.31 acres. The lease term is 1 year in the first instance with an option for a further 2 years pending the performance of the business.

Closing date for applications is **Friday 21st February 2025**

CONTACT:

Gina Henry - Crown Estates Officer

Essex House, Jamestown

+290 22270

gina.henry@sainthelena.gov.sh

https://www.sainthelena.gov.sh/portfolios/treasury-infrastructure-and-sustainable-development/property/

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INVITATION TO TENDER

SALE OF RADIO ST HELENA'S VINYL RECORD COLLECTION

The Central Support Service invites bids for the vinyl record collection which was the property of the former 'Radio St Helena'.

The collection is offered for sale on an 'as is' basis as one lot of approximately 11,000 vinyl records comprising a mix of country, pop, rock, classical, children's, musicals, jazz, instrumental and sacred music genres and styles, at 45, 33 and a few 78 rpm speeds. Please note that the condition of the records varies, and some wear should be expected due to age and previous use.

Full details of the collection can be provided by contactingCustodian of Records, Karen Henry, at the Castle on telephone number 22470 or via email at karen.henry@sainthelena.gov.sh.

All tenders must be submitted in a plain sealed envelope marked 'Tender Reference Vinyl Record Collection' and placed in the Tender Box, in the Castle Reception, by no later than 15:30 on Friday, 21 March 2025. The Central Support Service is not obliged to accept any offers that may be received.

SHG, 05 March 2025

www.sainthelena.gov.sh

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NOTIFICATION

MEETING OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CONTROL AUTHORITY

"The Land Development Control Authority will hold its monthly meeting on **Tuesday, 18th March 2025, at 11 am in the Conference Suite, Customs House, the Wharf, Jamestown**.

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

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

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

St Helena Government

Invitation to Tender

ZOOPLANKTON SURVEYS WITHIN ST HELENA'S INSHORE WATERS

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

ENRP20-2024/25 - Zooplankton Surveys within St Helena's Inshore Waters

Copies of the tender document can be obtained from the Procurement Officer, Tiffany Lawrence, Top Floor, Post Office Building, Jamestown by telephone on 25932 or via email throughtiffany.lawrence@sainthelena.gov.sh.

Should you require any further details, please contact the Fisheries Science Programme Co-ordinator, Jake Letori, by telephone on 25966 or email jake.letori@sainthelena.gov.sh .

Completed tenders should be placed in the Tender Box located on theTop Floor, Post Office Building by 12:00 on Monday, 24March2025, clearly marked **"Tender ENRP20-2024/25"**.

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

SHG, 11 March 2025

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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT PROGRAMME

MIDDLE LANDING STEPS

The Programme Management Office would like to advise the public that theMiddle LandingSteps will be closed to the public for a period of 6 weeks,commencing Wednesday, 12 March 2025.

The lower step require further works to be carried out under the defects period of the original contract.

The Middle Landing Steps will be completely closed for the first week whilst the contractor excavates the lower step. Once excavation works are completed the steps will be partially opened.Relevant signage will be put in place.

The Middle Landing Steps will be reopened to the public upon completion of all works.

The public are thanked in advance for their cooperation and understanding during this time.

Note to Editors:

The project was approved for funding under the UK funded Economic Development Investment Programme (EDIP) – Micro Project, in partnership with the FCDO.

SHG, 11 March 2025

www.sainthelena.gov.sh

St Helena Cloud Forest Project Public Talk

The St Helena Cloud Forest Project is an exciting, highly collaborative project working to up-scale cloud forest restoration within the Peaks National Park for biodiversity, water security and socio-economic benefits on the Island.

THE PEAKS NATIONAL PARK
ST HELENA ISLAND, 1502

We are thrilled to host a talk by **Dr Timm Karisch**, of the Museum for Naturkunde und Vorgeschichte, (Natural History and Pre-History) Dessau, Germany, on his work on the endemic moths of St Helena.

St Helena's moths under the magnifying glass



St Helena's moths include astonishing numbers of endemic species, most of which are small in size. The geological age of the island has given the moths sufficient time to differentiate and adapt and live to a wide variety of habitats. This process is still continuing today. Dr Karisch will talk about these interesting insects and share new findings from his current work on the island.

Date: Thursday 27th March **Venue: Museum of St Helena** **Time: 18:30**

RSPB UK Government St Helena National Trust Connect St Helena Island UBC Darwin Initiative Kew Met Office Arctium UK Centre for Ecology & Hydrology

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AUDIT ST HELENA
External Auditors

VACANCY FOR ASSISTANT ANALYST
Salary range £9,185 to £11,327 per annum

Audit St Helena is seeking to recruit anAssistant Analystto join itsPerformance Audit (Value for Money) Team.

The person will assist with performance audits across the public sector and support other office initiatives. No prior experience in this field is required.

Prospective candidates should have good GCSE grades or Functional Skills Level 2 in English and Mathematics and be prepared to study for a relevant certification. On-the-job training will be provided.

Key attributes for those applying forthis position include enthusiasm, good communication skills (oral and written),the ability to think critically and attention to detail. IT proficiency includingWord, Outlook and Excel is also helpful.

Questions about day-to-day duties should be directed to the team: Performance Audit Manager David Brown (david.brown@sainthelena.gov.sh) and Principal Analyst Omence Murawu (omence.murawu@sainthelena.gov.sh).

For further information, Job Profiles and Application Forms please contact Helene Williams by telephoning 22111 or emailing helene.v.williams@sainthelena.gov.sh.Completed application forms should be submitted to this email address or by hand to Audit St Helena, First Floor, New Porteous House, Jamestown by no later than close of business on**Friday 04 April2025.**

SHG positively accepts applications from all members of the community regardless of race, gender, disability, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief, and will consider all applications on the basis of merit, in accordance with the person specification. All disabled applicants meeting the minimum criteria listed in the job profile will be guaranteed an interview. All appointments are subject to the successful candidate providing satisfactory clearances, including a medical check and vetting/DBS clearance. SHG reserves the right to have information provided on the application form independently verified.

AUDIT ST HELENA
External Auditors

VACANCY FOR ASSISTANT AUDITOR
Salary range £9,185to £11,327per annum

Audit St Helena is seeking to recruit anAssistant Auditor to join itsAudit Team.

The person will assist with financial and performance audits across the public sector and will support other business processes.No prior experience in this field is required.

Prospective candidates are required to have good GCSE grades or Functional Skills Level 2 in English and Mathematics and be prepared to study for the ACCA Foundations in Accountancy programme. On-the-job training will be provided.

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

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DIOCESE OF SAINT HELENA

The Parish of St Paul's		
Sunday 16th March 2025– 2nd Sunday in Lent		
9.30 a.m.	Eucharist	Cathedral
3.30 p.m.	Eucharist	St Peter

The Parish of St James		
Sunday 16th March 2025 – 2nd Sunday in Lent		
6.00 p.m.	Eucharist with Installation of Fr Rudi	St James
	Thursday 20th March	
7.00 p.m.	Eucharist with Healing	St John

The Parish of St Matthew		
Sunday 16th March 2025 – 2nd Sunday in Lent		
11.15 a.m.	Eucharist	St Mark
3.30 p.m.	Eucharist	Barnabas, Levelwood
	Tuesday 18th March	
7.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer/Alpha	St Mark



Church Notices

We warmly invite you to join us for:

Prayer Meeting

Saturday 15th March 2025 at 8:30am
@ The Rock Christian Fellowship Centre, Longwood Avenue.
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Praise and Worship Service

Sunday 16th March 2025 at 11:00am
Kid Zone (Sunday School) at 11:00am
@ The Rock Christian Fellowship Centre, Longwood Avenue.
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Cell Meetings

Tuesday 18th March 2025
Jamestown at 7:00 pm
(Contact: Catherine on 64352 for details)
Wednesday 19th March 2025
The Rock Christian Fellowship, Longwood Avenue at 6:00pm
(Contact: Priscilla 51919 for details)
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Christian Gift/bookshop & DVD rental

The Christian gift/bookshop & DVD rental
(as well as second-hand goods shop) is available.
For further information contact Priscilla: 51919.

St Helena Government

LIVE HEARING OF SELECT COMMITTEE 2 – MONDAY 17 MARCH

Select Committee 2 will hold its third live hearing in the Council Chamber, The Castle, on Monday 17 March 2025. The topic under discussion will be Roads. This falls under the Safety, Security and Home Affairs Portfolio.

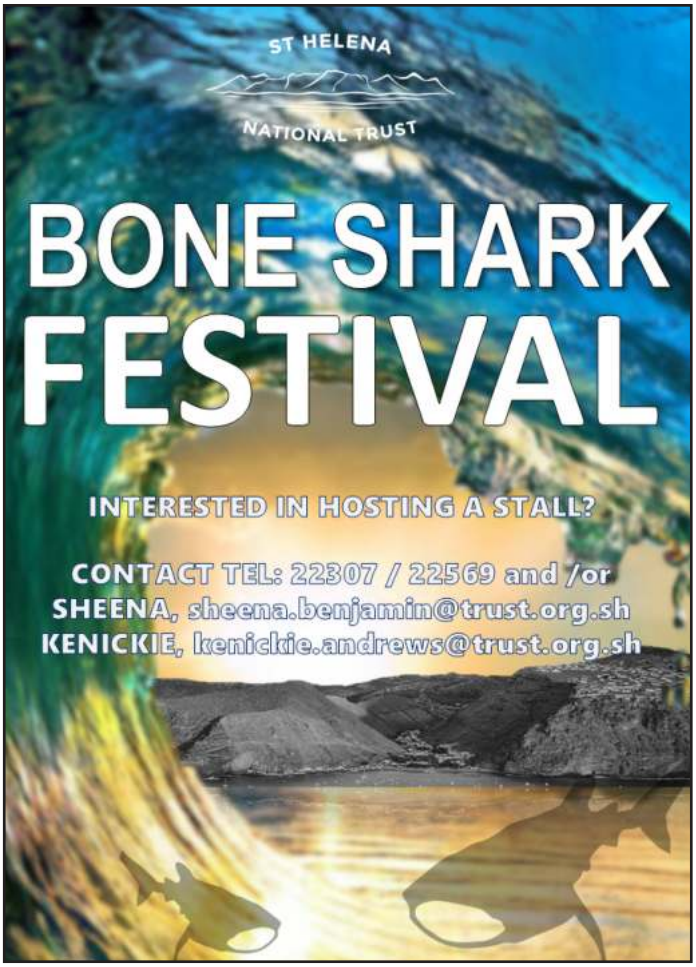
The hearing will start at 09:00 am and will be open to the public. The proceedings will be broadcast live on SAMS Radio 1.

Members of the public and interested persons are also invited to submit information to Select Committee 2, which might assist with this inquiry, through the Committee Secretary on e-mail: Morgan.THenry@sainthelena.gov.sh or by letter, for attention of the Committee Secretary, the Legislative Council Office, The Castle, before 12pm on Friday 14th March 2025.

SHG, 11 March 2025

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The Equality & Human Rights Commission

is pleased to announce that it's proposed Strategic Plan 2025/2028 is out for public consultation.

For an email copy, please email:
info@humanrightssthelena.org

Go to **sthelenaehrc.org** to read online

Alternatively, you can collect a hard copy from the EHRC at Cole's House, Napoleon Street, during office hours.

All response and comments are required by 31st March 2025

We would love to hear your views

BAPTIST CHURCH

Gospel Outreach Service
Sunday 16th March
Kingshurst Community Centre 3.00 pm

No services will be held in the Sandy Bay, Head O'Wain and Jamestown Chapels.

Bible Studies
Tuesday 18th March
Baptist School Hall 7.00 pm
Thursday 20th March
Sandy Bay Chapel 5.30 pm

SPECIAL EVENT
Ladies Meeting
Wednesday 19th March
Baptist School Hall J/Town 10.30 am

ALL ARE WELCOME.

For further information contact:
Tel No 24644

JOIN THE PUBLIC SERVICE

Join us!

We are recruiting…

St Helena Government

Carpenter

(£8,266 to £8,725 per annum, based on ability and experience)

If you are physically fit, a good communicator and an effective team player, the Building Maintenance Section has an opportunity for you to join their team.

Working as part of the Building Maintenance Team, you will assist with delivering daily operations and maintenance services within the building maintenance section.

Contact us for more information and a discussion on the above posts

Enquiries: Theron Henry on Tel No 25722 or Email:
theron.henry@sainthelena.gov.sh
Closing date: 28th March 2025

Care Assistants/Support Workers (Social Care)

Fixed-Term Contracts or Casuals

(£8,113 per annum – Care Assistants/Support Workers)
(£10,361 per annum–Support Workers (Children's Residential Home)
(Available for local interest)

Are you interested in the well-being of clients within the Learning Disabilities units, working with young people, and providing high quality, holistic care directly to frail older people in full time residential and day care, enabling them to live as full and active life as possible? If so, Social Care is seeking support in the following areas of care; Cape Villa, Children's Residential Home and Piccolo Hill. Come join our team and help make a difference in the lives of our clients.

Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: Hannah Herne or Latoya Thomas, Tel nos. 22920/23151
Email: hannah.herne@sainthelena.gov.sh
Email: dcdeputymanager@helanta.co.sh
Annabel Phillips, Tel no. 25936 or
Email: annabel.phillips@sainthelena.gov.sh
Nicole Hercules on Tel no. 25936
Email: piccolo.hill@helanta.co.sh
Closing date: 28 March 2025

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, betting / 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.

NOTICE BOARD

Festival of Walking
Walk of the Week

St Helena Island
A breath of fresh air

Manati Bay

Date: Saturday, 15 March 2025
Start Time: 08:00
Meeting Point: Casons Car Park, then Car Share to the Start point
Duration: approx 5 hrs

Walk grade: Strenuous | 9 - 10

Led by Rockmount Tour, one of the most challenging walks on the Island, Manati Bay is historically a popular fishing spot and one of our Post Box walks. Leading down into a deep valley giving you beautiful views of the Southern side of the island.
Please wear sensible footwear, Wear sun protection and bring lots of water.
Please note this is a very steep walk, not suitable for those who aren't confident with Hills
Experienced Walkers Only

Mackintosh

Date: Sunday, 16 March 2025
Start Time: 10:00
Meeting Point: Cason's Car Park, Blue Hill
Duration: approx 1hr

Walk grade: Easy | 1 - 2

Join the Tourist Office on this new Post Box walk - a gentle stroll through the woodlands makes for an ideal family morning activity.
Pathway can become slippery when wet. Wear sensible shoes, bring sunscreen and water.
This walk will be led by Dianne Venning

Date	Upcoming Walks
Saturday, 22 March 2025	Great Stone Top
Saturday, 29 March 2025	Lemon Valley
Saturday, 5 April 2025	Longwood Boundary

Receive email updates of the 'Walk of the Week' contact Louis Youde louis.youde@shg.gov.sh or the Tourist Office T: 22158

'A local charity, supporting social engagement and inclusion for citizens over the age of 65'
Charity Registration Number: C0049

On behalf of the Committee and Friends of Ageways, I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to individuals and organisations who supported Ageways throughout 2024 both on island and abroad. We had a very successful year, not just through fundraising but the success of our three social events we hosted in the St Paul's, Jamestown and Longwood areas.

Your contributions go beyond monetary value; it embodies a spirt of community that defines us. Your generous spirit resonates with the essence of our mission, reflecting a sense of unity and shared commitment to supporting our fellow citizens. Thank you for being an integral part of our mission.

We are proud to share a breakdown of the funds we received by way of donations and fundraising throughout 2024 as follows:

EVENTS & DONATIONS FROM FOLLOWING EVENTS 2024

AUGUST		
Cake Stall		£317.50
Donations		£30.00
OCTOBER		
All funds raised were shared equally with 'The League of Friends' charity		
Quiz Night		£188.00
Donations		£25.00
NOVEMBER		
Donations		£160.00
DECEMBER Christmas Events		
Raffle		£337.00
Sing-a- Long		£72.10
Auction		£243.00
Donations		£310.00
	Total	£1,682.60

Our Christmas raffle winners were:

Food Hamper – Christina Henry Ropery Field
Cake – Paula Moyce Longwood
Strawberry Liquor – Marilyn Bargo Half Tree Hollow
Wine – Marjorie Harding Jamestown
Chocolates – Sylvia Phillips Half Tree Hollow
Gavin Thomas–Chairperson

NOTICE BOARD

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

CAREERS FAIR | THUR, 20 MAR 2025

LEISURE PARK & MULE YARD

11 AM - 11.30AM — **OPENING CEREMONY**

Welcome: Mrs. Marie Horton - Interim Director, Education Skills & Employment Portfolio

Brief Remarks: Mrs. Julie Thomas - Chief Minister and Minster for Education, Skills & Employment Portfolio

Housekeeping & Run Through Of Programme: Mr. Glen Yon - Career Access Manager, Education Skills & Employment Portfolio

Presentations

12 PM - 12.30PM — **GRADUATE SCHEME**
Presenters: Tyanne Williams & Marcella Mittens

1.30 PM - 2 PM — **CHASING FLAMES AND SAVING LIVES (SHF&RS)**
Presenters: David Young & Evan Constantine

2 PM - 2.30 PM — **HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE**
Presenter: Martin Greenhalgh

2.30 PM - 3 PM — **EMERGENCY CARE**
Presenter: Craig Crowie

3 PM - 3.30 PM — **DIVING INTO MARINE CONSERVATION: MY JOURNEY & WHERE I AM TODAY**
Recorded by: Shelby Bargo

3.30 PM - 4 PM — **BECOMING A POLICE OFFICER**
Presenter: Jordana Peters

4 PM - 4.30 PM — **OPPORTUNITIES AND CAREER PATHS IN CONSERVATION - SHNT**
Presenter: Sheena Benjamin

7 PM — **CLOSING OF FAIR**
Glen Yon - Career Access Manager, Education Skills & Employment Portfolio



Golf Report

SHGC, Contributed

On Sunday, 9 March, a Stableford Competition was held with the participation of 16 players. The event took place under ideal weather conditions, which typically enhances the overall experience for golfers. However, the fast greens presented a significant challenge for many participants, affecting their performance and scoring.

The competition saw some impressive performances, particularly by the two Arthurs. Arthur Francis and Arthur Young.

Arthur Francis emerged as the winner with a total of 35 Stableford points. His consistent play and ability to navigate the challenging greens contributed to his success.

Close behind was Arthur Young, who finished in second place with 33 Stableford points. His strong performance also demonstrated skillful handling of the course conditions.

In addition to the top scores, there was a noteworthy achievement during the competition. Tony Winfield managed to score a "2" on the 7th hole, which is a par three. And claimed all the balls in the "2" ball pool.

Looking ahead, the next event on the calendar is scheduled for 16 March and is the Arnold Flagg Challenge Cup. This tournament is sponsored by the Flagg family and promises good prizes for par-ticipants. It is described as a competition not to be missed, encouraging players to enter their names in the usual manner.

Happy swinging!



Greetings from the Jamestown Rifle Club

Pat Henry, Contributed

Last Wednesday, 5 March, Kyle Yon wanted to celebrate his birthday with some of his friends at the Jamestown Rifle Club, inviting them along to have a fun shoot, most of whom haven't shot before but were willing to give it a go; those who chose not to shoot were happy to stay and watch. A safety briefing was given that I'm sure they found interesting and putting them at ease knowing we have safety controls in place. As we got started, eight of them had a go, finishing their first round shooting impressive scores for their first time. After seeing their scores and how well they had done they were happy to shoot another round. The clubs controllers decided to donate three medals to boost their spirit and see who could raise the bar and snatch the winning positions; impressive scores were calculated after each target was shot, when the final target of the group was finished, calculations revealed competiveness from these guys. Presentation was presented by Kyle who thanked all for helping him to celebrate his birthday. Winning the Gold medal with 188.1 was Marcella Mittens, Silver went to Aidan Duncan with 182.3, and the Bronze was won by Helena Walters with 180.1. Kyle himself shot 180.7, but showing his appreciation to his friends, he acknowledged Helena's performance as deserving of third place and the bronze medal. JTRC thanked Kyle and friends for choosing to shoot to celebrate his birthday.

On Tuesday, 11 March, our youth group did another positive display, demonstrating their passion and how much they love and enjoy their shooting. This week, they raised the bar, showing a number of over 90's-95+ points. A key element from these young people is the good sportsmanship shown, applauding those who shoot well, giving them a well-done; for me, that's just as good as winning a medal. An example: Daniel D is the oldest, he shot 95.3 & 96.6, and Giley, the youngest as we call him, shot 69, 65 & 98.6. Determination is a learning tool, rifle target shooting reveals their growing abilities.

The late night event captured nine interested shooters, these guys really practiced up for next week's competition. Again, we saw some massive deadly targets entered into our VAR office this week where scores/calculations are rechecked, especially when one of our youth members, Imogen, shot 100.9 & 100.8. Although she's shooting off a rifle support-roll, this is ridiculously mad shooting, and shows that next week it will be an exciting event. We conclude this report thanking our member and guests, and remember you are all welcome to participate in next week's competition.

Have a blessed and healthy weekend.

SPORTS ARENA

Down to the Wire

Close matches and a tight title race as SHCA T20 District continues



Luke Bennett, SAMS

This year's SHCA T20 District competition continued at Francis Plain over the weekend, with both league leaders, Half Tree Hollow, and second-placed side, Levelwood, picking up wins to continue their unblemished start to the tournament; both teams having enjoyed three wins from three so far.

Reigning champions, Levelwood, did so by defeating Jamestown on Saturday. A brilliant batting display from Dane Leo with 99 runs along with Rebels duo, Delroy Leo (42) and Weston Clingham (47), helped the defending side post a score of 218 runs. A well played 83 from Jamestown's in-form man, Scott Crowie, kept them in the chase, but the bowling of Levelwood would prove too strong, leaving Jamestown short of the required total by 65 runs.

Over to Sunday, when in the early fixture, Longwood defeated St Pauls with the game going down to the wire. St Pauls elected to bat first and an 81 from Cliff Richards would see them post a total score of 185 runs. Although having lost some early wickets, it was Longwood's David Young who produced a brilliant century to help take the game down to the wire. After his dismissal, St Pauls clawed their way back into the game, but Longwood would eventually complete the chase with the very last ball of the match to gain their first points of the tournament.

The final game of the weekend saw frontrunners, Half Tree Hollow, defeat Sandy Bay to keep them top of the district table by net run rate. Sandy Bay batted first and got off to a steady start, but it was Brooklyn Fowler who produced 55 runs of just 18 balls, late in the innings, that helped his team to a total of 178 runs. After losing their openers, Half Tree Hollow's Jamie Essex, who seems to be carrying form from the league, stepped up with 83 runs, which would help see his team over the line to end another exciting weekend of cricket, with Half Tree Hollow remaining top and Levelwood hot on their heels to regain their district title.



Fixtures

Saturday 15th March
9am
Eastern Rebels v Western Pirates (Youth)
11.15am
Eastern Rebels v Northern Tigers (Youth)
2pm
St Pauls v Jamestown
Umpires: Damian Burns and Barry Stroud

Sunday 16th March
9.30am
Levelwood v HTH
Umpires: David George and Cliff Richards
1.30pm
Sandy Bay v Longwood
Umpires: Gavin Ellick and Jordi Henry