

Horse Point Foundations Laid for Earth Station

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**The Gwyneth Howell Trophy Challenge 2024
"Cross Country Competition"**





Chartered Banker

ISABEL WINFIELD OBTAINS CERTIFICATE IN BANK RISK MANAGEMENT WITH THE CHARTERED BANKER INSTITUTE

Bank of St Helena Ltd is pleased to announce Isabel Winfield, Lending Services Manager, has successfully achieved the Certificate in Bank Risk Management with the Chartered Banker Institute. This is Isabel's second certification with the Institute, having previously studied the Certificate in Commercial Lending in 2021.

Comprising of six modules, this new qualification is designed to develop knowledge, understanding and skills relating to bank risk management in the digital age. It also considers the types of risks that may arise in the field of banking, the trends that are shaping emerging risks, and the implications of these for the future of bank risk management.

The Chartered Banker Institute is a global professional education body for bankers with more than 33,000 banking professionals who make an ongoing commitment to developing their customer-focused ethical professionalism.

Isabel commented:

"I am very pleased to have completed the Bank Risk Management Course. Whilst Bank of St Helena is very unique, we still face the same challenges as worldwide banks in regards to risk management; the course provided me with the knowledge to be able to address these. At the Bank we continuously aim to strengthen our risk management practices to ensure that we balance best practice with local context. Thank you to the Bank for giving me the opportunity to enhance my knowledge and qualifications."


Joey George, Managing Director, added:


"I am very proud of Isabel on her recent academic achievement, her dedication to furthering her knowledge and skills in her chosen field of expertise whilst balancing both work and family commitments is truly commendable and serves as an inspiration to us all."


Bank of St Helena Ltd offer their congratulations to Isabel on her achievement.




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DEEPFAKES

KNOW HOW TO SPOT AN IMPOSTER

Deepfakes are artificially created images, videos or audio that has been altered or manipulated to misrepresent someone doing or saying something that was not actually done or said. Deepfakes are generated by AI (artificial intelligence), specifically a kind of machine learning called "deep" learning (hence the name). Deepfakes use videos, pictures and audio recordings of real people to create a 'map' for creating fakes. Deepfakes can damage both professional and personal reputations and could lead to real-life consequences such as job loss or public humiliation. To recognise a deepfake look out for the red flags described below.

UNNATURAL BODY MOVEMENT

If someone looks distorted or off when they turn to the side or move their head, or their movements are jerky and disjointed from one frame to the next, you should suspect the video is possibly a deepfake.

BLURRING OR MISALIGNMENT

If the edges of a person's face are blurry and not clearly defined this could signal a face swap has occurred. Also if there are misalignments in glasses, earrings, or hair or fingers not connected, these are all signs of deepfakes.

UNNATURAL SKIN

If a person's skin appears overly smooth or too wrinkly this could be a sign of a deepfake. Also check if the agedness of the skin matches that of the hair and eyes, deepfakes don't tend to replicate this correctly.

UNNATURAL EYE MOVEMENT

Unnatural eye movement or lack of eye movement, such as not blinking, is a red flag. This is because it's difficult to replicate natural eye movements, and also because eyes usually follow whatever or whoever they're looking at.

UNNATURAL VOICE

If someone's voice sounds robotic and uses strange word pronunciations, these are signs of a deepfake. Also digital background noise, or even the absence of audio at times could also be signs of a deepfake.

POOR LIP SYNCING

When video is linked with altered audio such as a person's voice, there is usually be a mismatch in synchronization with lip movements and the words spoken. This is an obvious sign of a deepfake.

DEEPFAKE RED FLAGS

STAY SAFE

- ✓ Set all social media accounts to private (this controls who can see your images or videos and reduces the chances of being faked)
- ✓ Don't accept friend or connection requests from people you don't know (only give people you trust access to your content)
- ✓ Be careful what you share online (put as few pictures/videos of yourself online as possible to avoid getting deep faked)
- ✓ Use watermarks (digital watermarks help to prevent deepfakes by adding a visible marker to the original content)



CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN 2024





Editorial

We all want cheap renewable energy tomorrow, if not, sooner. We are told 2027 is the year it's most likely to happen; that's so long to wait. Maybe too long to wait for more than the many obvious reasons. At this point you may wish to pause and spare a sympathetic thought for our utilities provider. Why? Well, basically, the development and expansion of renewable energy is moving very fast; success breeds problems. Connect and all others concerned must be going giddy with the ever-changing scenarios.

First, would you believe it, the disposal of life-expired solar panels is reaching such volumes it is becoming a big problem on its own. Solar panel waste levels will reach a crisis point in the next two to three years instead of by 2030, as was previously forecast. In Australia, which is much further ahead with using renewables than we are, there are those who are very worried about what to do with solar panels when they become waste. Victoria State Government have already banned solar panels from landfill sites. Our Waste Management Services should be on to that, quick as a flash.

And of course, there are other problems which Connect and others should add to their lists. If the production of solar panels expands by 5 to 10 times, as is hoped and expected, the world's reserves of silver will run out within 20 years. As the useful life of a solar panel is 25 to 30 years, what kind of solar panels will replace the ones we now have. That's a fair question. The panels contain valuable materials such as silicon, silver and copper but getting them from a used solar panel is not easy. Solar panels are a sandwich which is fused watertight.

Maybe the answer is to act quickly. What? Quickly? Yes, quickly. If the best available solar panels are bought now, it will give the panel manufacturers (and all the rest) 25 to 30 years to sort things out before we need more. Waste Management Services will have the disposal problem dropped on their lap sooner than they thought. They will have to give considerable thought to how they get their hands on the silver inside the panels.

Lithium-ion batteries are one of the favoured options for renewable energy storage. They come with their own set of problems. Lithium batteries can be a fire risk and they too are made of unsustainable materials: namely cobalt, nickel and magnesium. New battery technology is a fast developing and a fast-changing area of advancement, which no doubt comes with another set of problems. Any of these alternatives could one day replace lithium-ion batteries; Solid-state batteries, Lithium-sulphur batteries, Cobalt-free lithium-ion batteries, Sodium-ion batteries, Iron-air batteries, Zinc-based batteries and/or Graphene batteries. Don't ask me what they all are. I'm just telling you what the expert says. Graphene batteries, it is claimed, will turn the world of batteries upside down – but not for a few years yet. The people who sell them claim, "Graphene supercapacitors store large amounts of energy and can charge and discharge rapidly. Graphene's

excellent electrical properties allow super-fast energy transport and storing up to 100 times more energy." So, what is it to be? Get the solar panels now and then wait a few years until graphene batteries are sold at sensible prices? And of course, batteries come with their own considerable disposal problems. Graphene batteries are claimed be less environmentally harmful than other types.

A legal affairs correspondent for the UK *Guardian* newspaper wrote about the remains of enslaved Africans that lie in Rupert's Valley. His opening sentence was, "A British overseas territory is being urged to return the remains of 325 formerly enslaved people to their ancestral kingdoms in Africa, or potentially face legal action." This put my back up immediately. My instant reaction was, this person does not know anything about this. I was moved to write to the *Guardian*, pointing out the error of their ways, but they did not publish it.

This is part of what I wrote.

Immediately I have to ask, why only 325? More important, return the remains to where, exactly?

The first sentence tells us the formerly enslaved people should be returned to their ancestral kingdoms, if not, it's possible legal action could follow. At the risk of being interpreted as flippant, I have to start by pointing out none of the 8,000 – 10,000 so-called 'liberated' Africans who died after being transferred from ships to Rupert's Valley possessed birth certificates or any other form of personal identification. As anyone with a superficial interest in the transatlantic slave trade will be aware, all slaves were treated as property to be bought and sold; their personal identities were ripped away from them. Attempting to identify from which region of Africa the human remains exhumed at Rupert's Valley may be born, their culture, beliefs and traditions, is an enormous task.

A series of scientific analyses has been completed to learn more about the personal history that can credibly be associated with some of the 325 articulated remains. The motivation for the exhumation during the archaeological dig was to make way for a road linking the airport with the new quay for ship's cargo. The existence of the mass burials was well known to Island residents; the archaeology, led by Dr Andrew Pearson of Bristol University, heralded a mass of new information, recorded in a research report called 'Infernal Traffic'. Following this was, and is, a succession of studies. The work of Dr Andree Cunningham is notable. She focuses on the social and biological outcomes for enslaved people during the years the transatlantic slave trade was in decline. Dr Cunningham visited St Helena as part of her research. Her work has uncovered important new information. Despite that, she realises the work she pursues will need to be continued after her lifetime of research.

I'm sure you will agree, there is such nonsense sometimes written in newspapers; it's not good for the blood pressure. Today, by the way, is Hypertension Day. Relax, if you can. Take lots of rest and, above all, don't rush.

Vince



PUBLIC PANEL

WITH

PROFESSOR DAN YON

'CULTURE, COMMUNITY & COTTAGES'

Thursday 23rd May, 6:30pm

At the Museum

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86003495091?pwd=3qGxVXcqbK9DidFlykNDwFTqShTcSy.1>

Meeting ID: 860 0349 5091 | Passcode: 924132



Horse Point Foundations Laid for Earth Station

Laying the foundations for the earth station antennae is well underway at Horse Point. Three rows of foundations are needed for the installation of 19 3.7m diameter antenna supported by 5x5 metre foundations. According to the proposals submitted when the planning application was made, randomes will cover the antennae, leaving the familiar 'golf ball' appearance.

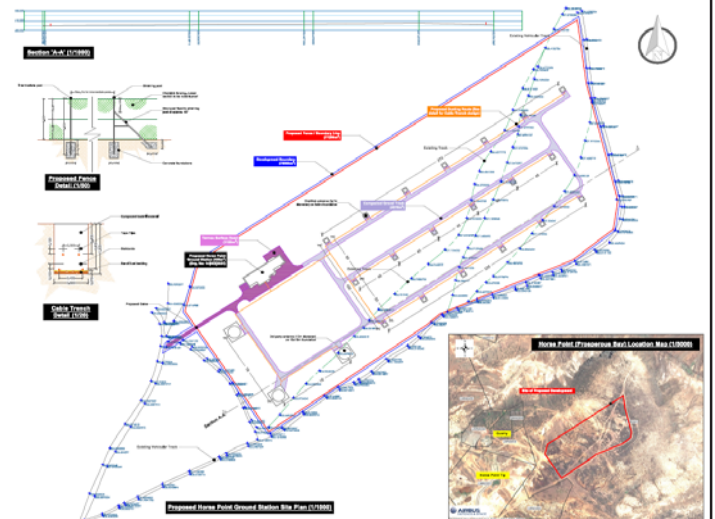
The planning application submitted in October 2021 shows three additional antennae, 12 metres in diameter on 15x15 metre foundations.

Also to be constructed is an Equipment Building, described in the OneWeb planning application as, "The equipment building will centrally connect each antenna providing a single hub to control and supply uninterrupted power to all systems. The layout consists of a control room, server area,

storage and back-up power areas (UPS, generators). The dimension of the building will be 14m wide, 41m long and with a maximum roof line height of 4m."

Compacted gravel tracks will give all weather access to every antenna. Only the Equipment Building will have a tarmac surfaced access. The entire site will be enclosed by a boundary fence.

Indication of what the antennae with randomes will look like. The image was published by OneWeb in 2021.



Site Plan for Horse Point Earth Station.



PROVISIONAL REGISTER OF ELECTORS PUBLISHED

The Provisional Register of Electors was published on Friday 10 May 2024.

Eligible persons have up until 16:00 on Friday 24 May 2024, to submit applications to amend the Provisional Register.

Persons who are eligible to have their names entered in the register may apply to amend the Provisional Register. Amendments can be made to include or remove their name, or to remove the name of someone who has died or left the island or who might be no longer eligible for inclusion in the register. The Registration Officer aims to publish a register which is as up-to-date and accurate as possible. In order to do so, eligible persons can apply to amend any of their personal details which may be out of date. For example, they may have changed their name since they last applied to be included on the register or may now live in a different electoral district and would like to change their address.

It is also possible to amend the register to enable voting in a different district from that in which you reside. For example, an eligible person may live in Longwood and work in Jamestown, so when there is an election, it may be more convenient for them to vote in Jamestown during the working day. It is possible for the register to accommodate this, provided the eligible person makes an application to do so.

Persons eligible to be registered must:

- Have St Helenian Status as defined in the Immigration Ordinance, 2011
- Be 17 years of age or older with St Helena as their ordinary place of residence

The register has been published on the SHG website at www.sainthelena.gov.sh/news/government-gazettes/.

Hard copies have also been placed at the following locations:

- The office of the Registration Officer, the Castle
- Customer Service Centre, Jamestown
- Public Library, Jamestown
- ENRP Offices, Scotland

Assistant Registration will also have access to a copy of the Provisional Register and can be contacted by persons who require any assistance. The Assistant Registration Officers are:

Anita Legg
Connie Johnson
Michelle Yon
Pamela Joshua
Brenda Thomas
Georgina Young
Vincent March
Douglas Bennett
Alfreda Yon
Karen Yon
Christina Henry
Jane Augustus
Phyllis Coleman

Alicia Thomas

Jackie Moyce

Applications to amend the register using the prescribed 'Form A' will need to be submitted to the **Registration Officer, at the Castle, by no later than 16:00 on Friday 24 May 2024.** Form A can be accessed at the Castle Reception, Public Library and Customer Services Centre.

Individuals who may be eligible to apply to have their names included in the register and who are currently overseas need to use the prescribed 'Form B'. Both Form A and Form B can be accessed on the SHG website at www.sainthelena.gov.sh/government/public-information/elections/.

Further information about registering and making amendments may be obtained from the Registration Officer, Carol Henry, at the Castle, by telephone on 22470 or via email through carol.henry@sainthelena.gov.sh.

The final Register of Electors for the 12 month period commencing 1 July 2024 will be published towards the end of June.

If your name is not on the Register of Electors you will not be able to stand or vote in any bye-election or general election. It is therefore your responsibility to check the Provisional Register and to make application to have your name included if it is not already listed.

#StHelena #ProvisionalRegisterOfElectors
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SHG, 13 May 2024



OFFICE HOURS FOR THE PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Connect Saint Helena Ltd offices will close for the long weekend from 16:00 on Friday, 17 May through to 21 May 2024. Normal business will resume on Tuesday, 22 May 2024.

During this period, faults can be reported as follows:

Electricity: Power Station on 22602.

Water and Sewage: Out of Hours Contractor, David Constantine on 22522 or 61307.



Tristan House in Cape Town is Upgraded

Homeless Charity in Langa South Benefits from It
 Report from Acting Administrator Michael Bertram. Photos by Sean Brophy

Tristanians who travel to or through Cape Town know they have a haven where they can stay which is home from home. Tristan House is the popular 'go to' accommodation for anyone on their way to or from Tristan, but especially for medevacs. Tristan patients going to Cape Town for medical treatment stay at Tristan House before and after treatment.

Once a year, equipment and furniture is reviewed to check whether the older items can be replaced. This year, funding was obtained from FCDO to replace beds, bedding and furniture. These were a bulk purchase from Makro in Cape Town.

The items the new furniture replaced were not thrown on the nearest tip. It was decided to donate all the old beds to a homeless charity. Vourn Brophy, the under manager at Tristan House made a few phone calls and the Haven in Langa, about midway between central Cape Town and the airport was selected. Langa South township is one of Cape Town's poorest areas. The organisers at the Haven were invited to collect the beds and the bedding for their use.

One person receiving a Tristan House bed said that he used to sleep on the floor while his wife and kids slept on a mat-

ress. He added "that it was the first time since their children were born that they had slept in a bed together". Sean Brophy, of Tristan House, said the story was very heart-warming and was pleased that Tristanians kindness had such an excellent result.

News Source: Tristan News.com - <https://www.tristandc.com/news-2024-05-03-tristan-house.php>



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Sunday	04 June	06 June
Tuesday	06 June	08 June
Thursday		
Saturday		

SDA Church hall, Jamestown



If you require transport and/or further details please contact Cheryl Bedwell on Tel: 25710



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 ACHM / WM Director(SID)



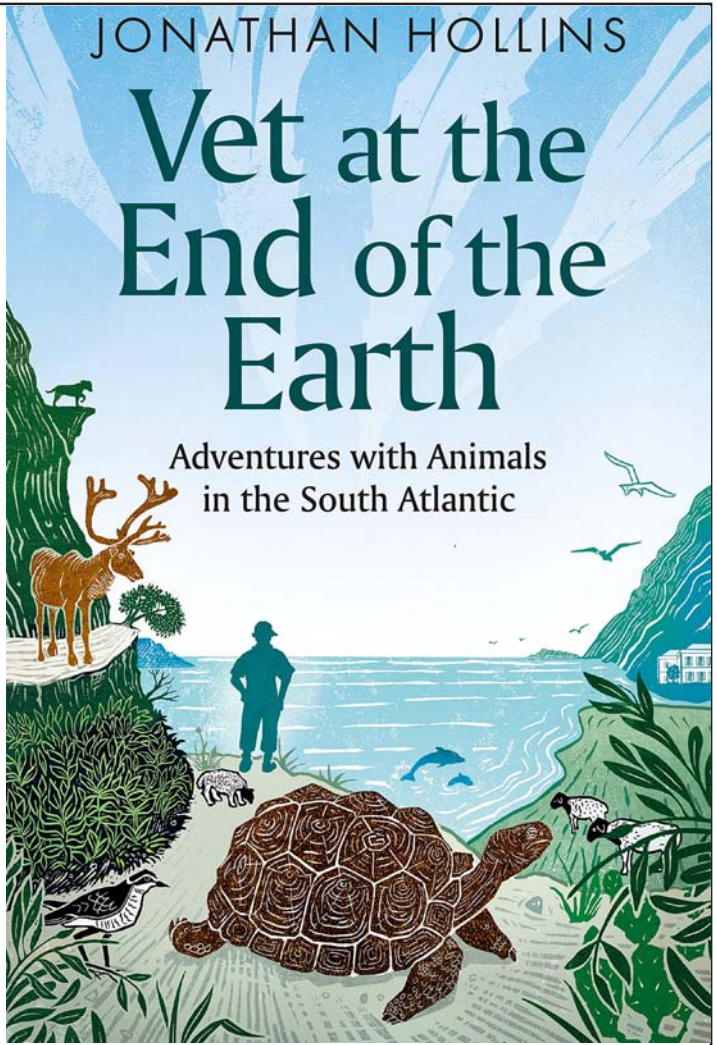
A book signing event

A book signing event was organised by Creative Saint Helena last Saturday at the Museum.

20 books were signed by local author Joe the vet, and he also had a special Jonathan tortoise stamp that was specially made in the UK.

The Museum did a good number of sales on the day so Adam was pleased. The museum is the only place that has the book on sale at £15 for the hardback copy. Paperback copies will be coming out in the not too distant future. Arts and Crafts have some on order but not in the shop yet. Not sure if the library bought one or two in the end, but I think they did.

Joe's book is also being published by Simon and Schuster publishers in New York, USA in November, so St Helena will be featuring in bookshops across the world. (the first photo is the American book jacket, the second is the British one)





MAY OPENING HOURS



Main Branch

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

Airport Kiosk

Flight days only	10:30 - 14:30
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Remote Banking

HTH Supermarket	Tuesday, 28 May	09:30 - 13:00
Longwood Enterprise Park	Wednesday, 29 May	09:30 - 14:00



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The Parish of St Paul's

Sunday 19th May 2024 – Pentecost

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

The Parish of St James

Sunday 19th May 2024 – Pentecost

9.30 a.m.	Eucharist	St James
Thursday 23rd May		
7.00 p.m.	Eucharist with Healing	St John

The Parish of St Matthew

Sunday 19th May – Pentecost

9.30 a.m.	Eucharist	St Mark
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Your Opinion Counts

Dear Editor,

GOING UP IN SMOKE

What a visionary the writer of your item 'A Case for Optimism' in last week's issue is. With this sage guidance, it is easy for us all now to see how such things as all inclusive euthanasia and cremation packages will 'play to St Helena's advantages.' Optional extras could include a pre-arranged ascent of Jacob's ladder by a person dressed as an angel carrying the ashes so as to symbolise the deceased's personal ascent to Heaven. It would also provide a stimulus to local woodworkers who will be able to make ashes caskets from a selection of local woods to market

through the Arts and Crafts Shop, a double boost to the economy – manufacturing and retail. The chance to die in a replica of Napoleon's campaign bed could also be offered, perhaps in the room at Longwood House where the great man actually breathed his last. There could be special 'night before' deals at the Mantis, with a final opportunity to 'take part in traditions to maintain national pride', such as a eating a tuna fishcake made with defrosted frozen chips due to a potato shortage.

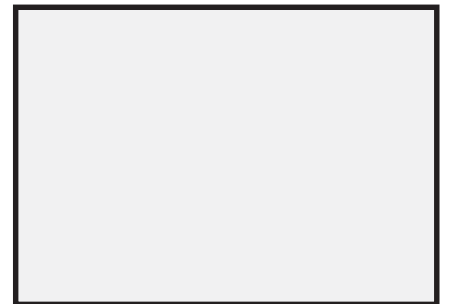
There was a proposal a few years ago to establish a crematorium on the island and a potential investor from South Africa visited in order to see how viable it might be. The problem was the availability and price of the necessary fuel. The overwhelming majority of cremations are carried out using gas. In the United Kingdom 99% of the machines used are fuelled by natural gas. In Saint Helena a single cremation would require a good few canisters from the Half Tree Hollow branch of Solomons.

Well over a hundred years ago, in

1910, it was suggested that Saint Helena should market itself as a Health Resort. The suggested advantages included scenery to rival that of Switzerland and "some of the best golf links in the world".

The idea came to an end when it was pointed out that these claims might lead to disappointment on the part of those taken in by them and that it would cost 5 times as much to get to Saint Helena than to Switzerland and take 7 times as long. Much the same may be said of euthanasia and cremations: *Dignitas*, based in Switzerland, already has a host of advantages over Saint Helena when it comes to this.

Contributed



Vacancy

Special Orders Clerk

Salary for the post will be £10,176 per annum (£848 per month)



Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has a vacancy within the Procurement Department for a Special Orders Clerk.

As the Special Orders Clerk you provide primary support to the Special Orders and Procurement Department whilst ensuring a high level of customer service at all times.

Interested Persons Should:

- Have grade C or above in GCSE English & Maths, or equivalent
- Be computer literate namely in Microsoft Outlook, Excel & Word and able to undertake online research
- Possess experience in basic administration
- Possess experience in Cash Handling
- Possess experience of working in a customer facing environment and have excellent customer service skills
- Have excellent communication skills and ability to use own initiative
- Be well-organised with a keen eye for detail
- Have the ability to multi-task and work to deadlines
- Be highly motivated with a can-do attitude
- Be available to work Saturdays

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

Julie Lawrence, Procurement Manager via ☎ 22207 ✉ procurementmanager@solomons.co.sh

Application forms may be collected from Solomons Main Office Reception, Jamestown or alternatively an electronic copy can be requested via hadmin@solomons.co.sh and completed forms should be returned to Anya Thomas, Human Resources Organisation & Development Officer, Solomons Main Office, Jamestown by **23 May 2024**.

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

- ◆ Pension Contributions
- ◆ Attractive Leave Packages including annual leave, sickness absence leave, maternity/parental leave
- ◆ Staff Discounts

Vacancy

Part-Time Passenger Services Agents



Rate of pay will be £6.20 per hour

Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has a vacancy for Part-Time Passenger Services Agents 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 customer focused and able to deliver an excellent level of Customer Service
- Be committed to undertaking the required training, including training in Johannesburg, as well as the necessary background and medical checks
- Be able to undertake manual handling & physically demanding duties
- Have the ability to multitask and work with a high degree of accuracy in a high pressure environment
- Have the ability to remain calm in stressful situations

For further information contact:

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

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Vacancy

Part-Time Male Security Officers



Rate of pay will be £6.20 per hour

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

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

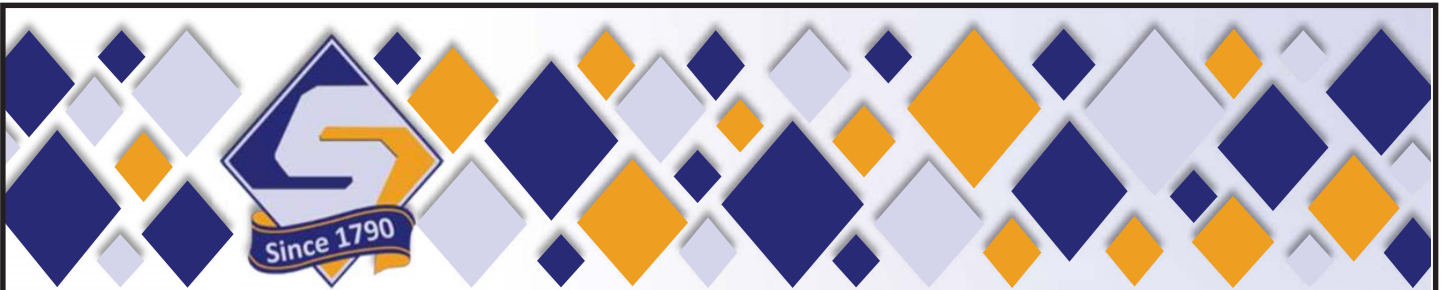
Interested Persons Should:

- Have excellent interpersonal & communication skills and be able to work in a disciplined environment
- Possess a high standard of English & ICT skills
- Be customer focused and able to deliver an excellent level of Customer Service
- Be available to undertake the required training and the necessary background and medical checks
- Be able to undertake Manual Handling & physically demanding duties
- Be able to work effectively in a team environment
- Have the ability to multitask and work with a high degree of accuracy in a high pressure environment
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Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc

has a Vacancy for a

Chief Executive Officer

This is a high profile fixed-term leadership position as the responsible officer of a Company with diverse business interests in agencies, services, insurance, production and retail.

The **Chief Executive Officer** will be responsible for developing and implementing strategies and policies to ensure that the Company will meet the strategic goals determined by the Board of Directors, leading the Corporate Management Team to progress the Company's agenda against financial and operational performance indicators, fulfilling its stated Purpose and upholding its stated Values.

Interested Persons should have:

- The following knowledge and experience:
 - 5 years senior management experience
 - Financial Management experience at senior level
 - Business development experience (relevant to the diverse portfolio interests)
 - Proven track record of commercial management success
 - Proven track record in leading teams and achieving results
 - Experience in growing/building new business

- Be highly literate and numerate with a strong academic background
- Possess MBA or equivalent level management certification
- Excellent leadership/management and decision-making skills
- Strong strategic planning and implementation skills
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills with an ability to communicate with a diverse range of people at varying levels of operation both internally and externally
- Risk assessment and risk mitigation skills and abilities
- Commitment to quality and excellence
- A high degree of integrity, maturity and professionalism with the ability to lead and adapt effectively in changing circumstances and in a demanding, fast paced team environment

For further information, including the Company's attractive benefits package, please contact Eric Constantine, Human Resources Committee Chairman, on telephone number +290 63746, or via email: eric-c@helanta.co.sh Application forms can be collected from the Main Office Building, Jamestown, or alternatively, an electronic copy can be requested via email address: hadmin@solomons.co.sh. Completed application forms should be submitted to Madonna Henry, Human Resources Manager, or via email address hrm@solomons.co.sh by **1600hrs, Friday, 31 May 2024.**

Property For Sale



Commercial Property Ladder Hill £400,000

- ▶ Currently used as a bar and restaurant
- ▶ Internal area 258m²
- ▶ Great location with large parking area and facilities which benefits with ocean views
- ▶ Property could be converted into a retail outlet or residential apartments subject to planning permission
- ▶ An investment property which will provide good Return on Investment



Residential Property Gordons Post £119,950

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Jamestown, St. Helena, STHL 1ZZ or email
derek@dps.co.sh or Telephone 00 290
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ASCENSION ISLAND GOVERNMENT

Assistant Environmental Health Officer – Rodent Control

Total package value up to £18,146 pa

(comprising salary of up to £10,868 plus accommodation, food allowance and other allowances and benefits)

About the role

We're looking for a self-motivated individual to work as part of our Environmental Health Team, to undertake rodent control and increase the extent and frequency of baiting. Other duties include insect pest control, and water quality testing and maintenance of the swimming pool.

What you'll do

Working as part of a small team, you'll carry out routine rodent control duties including using poison baits and setting / re-baiting traps. You'll also assist the Environmental Health Office in planning effective rodent control activity, and other environmental health duties.

What you'll bring

You'll have a good standard of secondary education and the ability to communicate well within the team environment and the general public. You'll be physically fit and comfortable working outdoors, often in difficult and harsh conditions. As part of a small team, you'll establish confident and effective relationships.

What we offer

In addition to an annual salary of up to £10,868 (depending on experience and taxable on Ascension), the role attracts a two-year **single** status contract and the following allowances and benefits:

- Rent free accommodation valued at up to £1200 pa (taxable benefit)
- A single status food allowance £3,780 pa (taxable benefit)
- An electricity allowance paid in kind worth £938 pa
- A single status water allowance worth paid in kind worth £1,360 pa
- Relocation costs for your personal effects from your home country and assistance with shipment of a vehicle
- One mid-contract return journey to your country of recruitment
- A gratuity payable on the successful completion of a 2-year contract
- 30 days' annual holiday (with additional 9 days public holidays)
- Free primary dental and medical care
- Free annual travel insurance

The appointment will be subject to:

- Satisfactory employment references
- A basic Criminal Records Check
- Satisfactory Medical Clearance

Closing date: 09 June 2024

Interviews: Week beginning 17 June 2024, via Skype if off island

Required start date: As soon as possible

For more information, a full job description, and to apply visit: www.ascension.gov.ac/lifestyle-and-employment/working-here/ If you have any queries about the role, email recruitment@ascension.gov.ac

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

Do you have a flair for figures with good attention to detail and is proficient in Microsoft excel? If so come join our HR team in the role of Human Resources Support Officer where you will be responsible for undertaking a range of financial and administration duties. This includes setting up and maintaining spreadsheets and producing accurate payroll data. This will be a good opportunity for you to contribute to capturing HR data to support the efficient running of HR. Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: Clare O’Dean on Tel No 22470 or Email clare.odean@sainthelena.gov.sh

Closing date: 29 May 2024

Human Resources Assistant (£7,341 per annum)

We are looking for a highly motivated individual to undertake a range of HR transactional processes and deliver a high quality HR service. You will be required to provide administration duties in connection with recruitment and selection, processing of leavers and contractual changes in accordance with employment related policies and procedures. This is a great opportunity to start your career in HR if you are a motivated, self-starter who has a passion for delivering great customer service and administration. Contact us for more information and a discussion

Enquiries: Sharina Williams on 22470 or Email Sharina.williams@sainthelena.gov.sh

Closing date: 29 May 2024

Communications Officer (£9,197 per annum)

The Communications Officer will work across the Communications Hub to deliver successful external and internal communications by using a range of communications channels to deliver internal news and content including the intranet, video, newsletters and events, and support the delivery of external news to the public, press, media and stakeholders. Contact us for more information and a discussion

Enquiries: Jamie Drabble on 22470 or Email jamie.drabble@sainthelena.gov.sh

Closing date: 29 May 2024

Benefits

Leave – 30 days leave per annum, plus public holidays

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

Training and Development

Paid sickness absence

How to apply

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Carpenter (Building Maintenance) (Salary ranging from £6,722 - £8,465 per annum depending on qualifications & experience)

The Carpenter will be required to deliver daily operations and maintenance services within the Building Maintenance Section. You will be responsible to the Foreman (Works) for the daily operations and services within the Building and Maintenance section in the execution of carpentry, woodwork and other building related tasks, which includes assist the decorators, plumbers/drainage and mason team.

Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: Rex Young on Tele No 22056 or Email
Rex.Young@sainthelena.gov.sh

Closing date: 29 May 2024

Assistant Caretaker – PAS (£7,341 per annum)

Are you a motivated individual with good handyman experiences? If so, this could be the perfect job for you. As the Assistant Caretaker, you will be responsible for supporting and ensuring the management, maintenance, safety and security of the whole premises of Prince Andrew School including Francis Plain playing field so that it is kept in good condition for use by the school population and the wider community of St. Helena.

Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: Stuart Leo on Tele No 24290 or Email
stuart.leo@princeandrew.edu.sh

Closing date: 28 May 2024

Deputy Head Teacher (Harford Primary) (Fixed Term) (£19,852 per annum)

Are you looking to progress in your career within the teaching profession and take on a leadership position? Then this is the opportunity for you. The Deputy Head Teacher will provide assistance to the Head Teacher of Harford Primary to ensure the effective and efficient management, organisation and administration of a primary school including Nursery provision. Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: Carlean Crowie on Tel No 24719 or Email Carlean Crowie
Carlean.Crowie@primary.edu.sh

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Eulogy

Bernice Alicia Olsson

1939-2024

We are here to celebrate the life of Bernice Alicia Olsson, who passed away at home last week after a short but intensive fight with cancer.

To start from the beginning, Bernice was born in Upper James-town on 30th May 1939, just before the second World War. She was the oldest of six siblings – the others being Bernard -better known as Pudge, Bobby, Ivy, George and Keith. She was the daughter of Evelyn – Evie and Frederick, Freddie ‘Dover’ Thomas. Evelyn came from the Bizaare family which was an important family at the time. Bernice’s dad Freddie was well-known as a Woodwork Teacher, with excellent culinary skills as Baker and Cook. During the War, there were many soldiers from Britain stationed on the island and Freddie was in the Army at Ladder Hill. This meant that there were often stationed soldiers in the Thomas’ household. Unfortunately Bernice contracted Polio at a young age which left her bed-bound for a considerable time, being treated at home with rubbing of brandy and padded with heated brown paper. The Polio affected the use of one leg for the rest of her life and she always had a slight limp which was incurable.

What her convalescence also did was to shape Bernice into the person she was – resilient, determined and with a lot of spunk. She was also loving to others. As a teenager she was a Nurse and involved in treating other polio patients as she had immunity after her own combat with the disease. In 1957 Bernice left St Helena in search of greener pastures overseas and ended up in Jersey in the Channel Islands. She went with her best friend at the time – Gwyneth Dillon. In Jersey, as most young women from St Helena, she started in domestic service. She later became a cashier in the Post Office where she met Gerald Durrell who owned a Zoo on Jersey and was also a famous author – you might recall the well-known novel ‘My Family & Other Animals.’ On Jersey she also met her first husband – Brian Spencer, and they moved to Scunthorpe in Lincolnshire. With Brian she had two lovely children – Lee, born in 1966 and Joanne in 1969. The children have shared a few precious memories of their lovely Mum.....

They say – “Growing up in Ashby in Scunthorpe we had a lovely childhood with our feisty, loving and caring mum.

Mum ran a playschool which she set up in the ‘70’s’ - she was ahead of her time back then as children didn’t have access to pre-school below the age of 5. It helped considerably as it made the transition into mainstream school so much easier. It was run by Mum (the boss) and helpers from a church Hall called St Catherine’s. Jo met the vicar in charge of the Church Hall when she was discussing her wedding with him in early 1994. When the Vicar found out Bernice was her mum, he said ‘I’d better not get anything wrong at



this wedding’, apparently he’d been told off by Mum big style for trying to put the playschool church fees up (and no, he didn’t dare put them up after that!!)

At Christmas time Mum would spoil us, she took a second job working at ‘Boots’ just so we had lovely presents to open on Christmas Day. Always immaculate, nails painted (mums nails were always painted religiously every Saturday night with splodges of nail polish on the wooden hand rest of the sofa) Mum would come home smelling lovely, she’d spray herself with their perfume throughout the day.

Mum had other jobs in Scunthorpe too, working at Fine Fare and Safeways Co-op but she always did this alongside her playschool work.

Mum as you know was a very sociable person, from helping a foreign couple who lived on our street - they couldn’t read English well so mum would read for them helping them to pay bills etc.. We would go with her because the lady worked at the crisp factory in Scunthorpe and always gave us free crisps.

Whenever we walked to Ashby to the Market or to do some shopping it would take what should have been a 20 minute walk, well over an hour because everybody would stop to talk to Mum - she knew everyone!!

We can’t tell you how sad we both are that we are not at our Mum’s funeral or were with Mum during these last months of

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Bernice Alicia Olsson

1939-2024

her life. We take comfort in the fact that we both came out together last year to celebrate what was to be her last Birthday. What a lovely day that was!!"

After Bernice's divorce from Brian and the children had grown up, she had a strong urge to come back to St Helena, where she was born and bred, leaving only for short intervals at a time to visit the children. In 1996 whilst onboard the RMS St Helena, she met her second husband – Mike! The next year, 1997 she decided to run for Council, which she did with great success and became a member of the St Helena Legislative Council. She married Mike in 1998 and they stayed together ever thereafter.

Even as a Councillor, Bernice was still resilient, determined and feisty, which was appreciated by most people on the island. The first successful election was followed by another four so she spent a total of 20 years on the St Helena Legislative Council until she retired in 2017. At this time, Bernice developed a serious eye condition which set her back in some ways, but not in all. She was still a sociable and out-going woman who spent much of her retirement talking to people and engaging in the society.

She spent much time in the Standard bar which kept her occupied and well-informed, most of the time surrounded by friends. On occasion she was dancing on the stools and tables – other times she would if she could, sit down and talk politics with the people around her.

Earlier this year, she was diagnosed with aggressive colon cancer which had already spread to the liver and her right lung. Bernice, who was fully aware of her terminal illness was brave and resilient to the end, but nothing could be done to save her life. However, she kept her dignified demeanour to the end – her last words will be remembered with a smile. She said "piss off Mike – you are doing my head in". This



was said with love and in a certain way, expressed her feisty personality.

Mike, Ivy and family here on the island together with Bernice's daughter Joanne and son Lee in the United Kingdom, would like to say a big thank you to the Community Nurses who had over the past months provided care and support to Bernice at home during the day and night when needed. Their care, kindness and professionalism are much appreciated and for which they are to be commended. Support given by friends was absolutely tremendous and comforting. The family thank Fr Griffith for ministering to her and conducting the funeral service; cousins Barbara and Gavin George and all those who so kindly gave flowers. Thank you to the hundreds of people that sent messages and cards of sympathy. This out pouring of love at this very sad time obviously knew no boundaries and will never be forgotten. We would like to make mention of the assistance provided by Johnny Isaac given so readily at this very difficult time with special thanks to Malcolm Bowers and Sadie Legg in the UK.

To all those who visited Bernice during her illness, thank you one and all, for all your love and kindness which will never be forgotten.

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**General Teaching Assistant (Prince Andrew School)
(£8,114 per annum)**

Do you have a passion for Education? We are looking to recruit a Teaching Assistant to provide assistance to the class teacher by supporting teaching and learning in the school/classroom environment. The individual needs to be committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and have good communication skills to be able to communicate between students, parents and colleagues. Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: Carolyn Yon on Tel No 24290 or Email Carolyn.Yon@princeandrew.edu.sh

Closing date: 29 May 2024

**Higher Level Teaching Assistant (Prince Andrew School)
(£9,401 per annum)**

Are you looking for a new challenge? Here is an opportunity for you to further your career in the teaching profession. The Higher Level Teaching Assistant takes on the responsibility of planning, preparing and teaching 25% of the Schools Teaching Time Table including any specific support groups and lesson cover in the absence of the Class Teacher. You will also assist with supervising the children in the playground to ensure pupils feel safe and secured in the school environment, and to have a good level of written and verbal communication to be able to interact with between all students, colleagues and Parents. Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: Carolyn Yon on Tel No 24290 or Email Carolyn.Yon@princeandrew.edu.sh

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Emergency Care Assistant (£9,197 per annum)

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

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

Closing date: **04 June 2024**

Trainee Mechanic (Fixed term – 2 years) (£7,341 per annum)

Mechanic (Fixed term - 2 years) (£9,197 per annum)

The Transport Division is seeking to recruit a Trainee Mechanic and a Mechanic to join their team. If you are a motivated individual who has the ability to work independently when required and have a sound knowledge of practical mechanics and diagnostics with good attention to detail this could be a good opportunity for you. The role requires you to be fully conversant in applying health and safety procedures to guarantee the safety of employees and products/services ensuring that the vehicles and heavy plant equipment are maintained in a safe operational condition. Contact us for more information and a discussion.

Enquiries: **Nicholas George on Tel No 23643 or Email vehicle.fleet@helanta.co.sh**

Closing date: **04 June 2024**

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VACANCY – INSTRUMENTATION & CONTROL TECHNICIAN

Connect Saint Helena Ltd is seeking a suitably qualified person to fill the position of Instrumentation & Control Technician.

The successful candidate will be responsible for the development and maintenance of instrumentation, control and electronic systems within Connect Saint Helena Ltd and will provide these services across all areas of the Company (Electricity, Water, and Wastewater).

Applicants for this position should possess a HND qualification in Electrical Engineering, Electronics Engineering or Control and Instrumentation Engineering. Applicants should have experience within a utility company environment, with wind turbine maintenance, SCADA (or similar), Telemetry and PLC control systems and a Class A drivers licence. Applicants must also be computer literate and have good verbal & written communication skills; have an awareness of, and comply with, safety rules and procedures when working on HV/LV systems or when testing or operating electrical equipment and systems, and be able to work at heights.

Connect Saint Helena Ltd offers a competitive salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Other benefits include 15% pension contributions of the base salary and 25 days annual leave.

For a full job description and/or further details on this position please contact Geoffrey Augustus on +290 22255 or email Geoffrey.Augustus@connect.co.sh. Completed application forms can be handed into the Connect Saint Helena Ltd main office at Seales Corner, Jamestown or via email: Annalisa.Young@connect.co.sh by 9:00am Friday, 24 May 2024.

To be considered for this role please complete our application form, CV's will not be accepted.



Vacancy

Electrician, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Mechanic

Salary for the post will commence at £10,968 per annum (£914 per month)



Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has a vacancy within the Electrical Works Department for an Electrician, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Mechanic.

As the Electrician, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Mechanic you will ensure that in-house and private jobs are undertaken competently and in a timely manner whilst ensuring high standards of work are delivered at all times in accordance with Company requirement and local regulations.

Interested Persons Should:

- Possess grade C in GCSE Maths or English, or equivalent
- Have at least 3 years proven experience in Electrical Engineering
- Be in possession of a current Wiremen's license
- Have experience of maintaining air-conditioning and refrigeration systems
- Possess Level 3 City & Guilds Diploma in Electrical Installations Course, or equivalent
- Be flexible to work out of normal working hours and be available to work as part of an on-call rota as and when required
- Have a customer focused approach with excellent customer service skills
- Have a valid drivers' licence
- Be aware of Health & Safety practises as well as be able to perform manual handling duties
- Be able to work as part of a team as well as independently
- Be willing to undertake any further training

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

Mr Ian Gough, General Manager (Services & Properties) via ☎ 22380 📧 gm-services.properties@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 **30 May 2024**.

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

- ◆ Pension Contributions
- ◆ Attractive Leave Packages including annual leave, sickness absence leave, maternity/parental leave
- ◆ Staff Discounts

DPLUS190: YEAR 1 MILESTONES UNFOLDED



April – June 2023

The DPLUS190 project officially commenced, marking a significant milestone with the employment of 3 local staff who brought their expertise to this project. In a collaborative effort to foster engagement and participation, the DPLUS190 team joined forces with the Man and Horse syndicate, establishing vital connections that informed and encouraged local participation. The project highlighted the Wirebird's diet during insect week, contributing to broader environmental awareness goals.



July – September 2023



The DPLUS190 project enhance community ties and conservation with island wide pop-up stalls and a campaign with the local police due to a high number of Wirebirds being killed on the Haul Road, demonstrating the project's commitment to both community safety and wildlife conservation.

October – December 2023

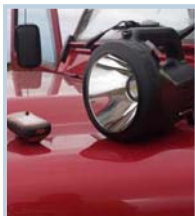
The DPLUS190 project experienced a collaborative boost with the arrival of two RSPB staff members, who not only trained the team in the leg-flagging of Wirebird's—a total of 60 birds were flagged—but also lent their expertise in data management. Additionally, the Trust's participation in the Wader Conservation World Watch spotlighted St Helena, while livelihood questionnaires conducted among syndicate members will inform future initiatives.



January – March 2024



The DPLUS190 recorded a peak adult Wirebird count of 639, evidencing the efficacy of our conservation efforts. In a practical move towards habitat management, tenders were advertised and awarded for the 'rip and roll' technique on 2 of the project's intensive management trial sites, paving the way for innovative land restoration methods. Collaboration with Man and Horse Syndicate was key to shrub clearance prior to mowing. Moreover, comprehensive rabbit surveys were conducted on all 3 intensive sites, providing crucial data to inform management decisions and ensure the sustainability of the habitats. Additionally, there was also the launch of the Island Birdwatch. These collective efforts mark a year of significant progress and set a positive trajectory for the future of the project.



For more information please contact the DPLUS190 Grasslands team on telephone: 22569 or email: James.Fantom@trust.org.sh

Webpage: www.trust.org.sh
X: SHnationaltrust
Facebook: SHnationaltrust
Instagram: shnationaltrust
Linked in: @st-helena-national-trust

13 MAY 2024

Tax Timeline

PLEASE NOTE

30 JUNE 2024 IS THE FINAL DATE FOR SELF-EMPLOYED BUSINESSES AND COMPANIES TO SUBMIT A TAX RETURN AND PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNTS.

Copies of the Individual Tax Return and Profit & Loss Account can be obtained from the Income Tax page of the SHG website via: <https://www.sainthelena.gov.sh/public-services/income-tax/>

The Tax Return should be completed electronically and sent along with a Profit & Loss Account via email address: tax.returns@sainthelena.gov.sh

If possible when emailing Tax Returns please send in the Excel format and not PDF

Alternatively you can visit the Tax Office where a computer and help will be available for you to complete your Tax Return. Please call: 25880 to make an appointment.

Please note that any Tax Returns and Accounts not submitted to the Tax Office by **30 June 2024** will result in the **£100 penalty** being automatically applied.

Income Tax Office Contacts: 1st Floor Post Office Building

Tel. No. 25880

Email:

Norma Thomas
Assistant Tax Compliance Officer
Email: norma.thomas@sainthelena.gov.sh

Noleen Phillips
Tax Auditor - Income Tax
Email: noleen.phillips@sainthelena.gov.sh



ORKNEY 2025

COUNTDOWN TO ORKNEY 2025

The countdown has begun for St Helena’s participation at the next International Island Games in Orkney in July 2025.

23 Expressions of Interests have been received from individuals and clubs across a wide range of sports, including for the first time Archery and Squash. The other sports are Swimming, Athletics (both track and field), Golf, Badminton and Football. All interested parties have been issued with details of the selection criteria and will spend the next six to nine months training and preparing to meet and /or exceed the targets set for their chosen sport by the latter part of this year. As there is no funding from the Island Games Association (IGA) to send a team to Orkney, athletes/clubs will also have to secure their own funding for participation.

Whilst athletes and coaches will be spending the next few months honing their training, the NSASH committee will be volunteering and putting in additional hours behind the scenes to plan and organise all the logistics for the Games. This will include but is not limited to, travel arrangements for journeys to, during and from Orkney, accommodation, catering needs, training, design and ordering of team kit, and organising selection trials.

NSASH would like to thank all athletes, coaches, clubs, sponsors, potential sponsors and other interested persons for their ongoing encouragement and support for promoting St Helena and Island sport on the international arena.

Thank You and AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Women’s Corona Society will be held at the Baptist School Room, Jamestown at 4 p.m. on Wednesday 22 March 2024.

All interested ladies who would like to attend are welcome to join us. We look forward to seeing you there.

Results of the WCS 200 Club Draw

January 2024 –

1st Prize	Leatrice Williams,	Ticket No. 177
2nd	Carol/Karen,	Ticket No. 36
3rd	Marjorie Harding	Ticket No. 102

February

1st Prize	Sylvia Plato	Ticket No. 7
2nd	Sylvia Johnson	Ticket No. 191
3rd	Cruz & Alexis	Ticket No. 161

March

1st Prize	Carol Yon	Ticket No. 27
2nd	Jane Augustus	Ticket No. 96
3rd	Joan Thomas	Ticket No. 12

April

1st Prize	Nigel Dollery	Ticket No. 131
2nd	Shirley George	Ticket No. 190
3rd	Gregory Plato	Ticket No. 120



NSASH INVITES EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The National Sports Association St Helena (NSASH) are seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) to fill two vacancies (chairperson and member) that have arisen on the NSASH Committee.

NSASH is a sporting Committee affiliated to the Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) as well as the International Island Games Association (IGA) which is made up of members who further the objectives of the organisation by volunteering their time, skills and experience. So if you have a keen interest in sport, wish to be a part of developing sport on the Island and would like to be involved in the planning and organisation for teams to attend international competitions, we would be pleased to hear from you.

For further details about these membership positions, please e-mail nsash@helanta.co.sh.

Applications, outlining why you would make a positive contribution to the NSASH Committee should be e-mailed to nasah@helanta.co.sh by no later than **12 noon on Friday 31 May 2024**.

Golf Report for Sunday, 12th April 2024

Report by SHGC

The Gwyneth Howell Trophy Challenge 2024 “Cross Country Competition”

The Gwyneth Howell Trophy Challenge held on May 12, 2024, was a resounding success with a total of twenty-two players participating in the event. The competition witnessed some impressive performances, with players returning with commendable scores. Asa Bushuru emerged as the standout performer, clinching the title for the second consecutive year with an outstanding net score of 59.

In a closely contested battle for the second position, Arthur Young and Keith Joshua (KJ) both posted net scores of 64. The tie between these two informed players led to a playoff; however, due to fading daylight hours, they graciously agreed to share the joint second-place position. Bramwell Bushuru secured the third spot with a solid performance, finishing with a net score of 66.

Several notable achievements were recorded during the competition. Six players managed to score a “two” on various holes: Bramwell Bushuru on the 3rd and 14th holes, Jeremy Clingham on the 7th hole, Asa Bushuru on the 9th hole, KJ on the 10th hole, and Nick Stevens on the 17th hole. The “Nearest the Pin” contest was won by Helena Stevens, “chipping queen,” showcasing her precision and skill. Anthony Thomas, also known as Nails, claimed victory in the “Longest Drive” category.

A special mention and gratitude were extended to Gwyneth Howell and her team for sponsoring this successful event and generously providing great prizes for the winners.

There will be no Golf Competition next week the 19th May.

Happy swinging.....!



FOR SALE BY TENDER

Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has for “sale by tender” a Mitsubishi Evo 6, formerly registered as vehicle number 5237.

This vehicle has been damaged as a result of a road traffic accident and will be offered on an “as is, where is basis”, with no warrantee given or guarantee implied.

Viewing has been set for Tuesday 4 June 2024 at 10am and persons interested in viewing should, in the first instance, contact Solomon’s Insurance Office on telephone number 22860.

Offers should be made in writing to the Tender Board Secretary, clearly stating the registration number on the envelope and placed in the Company’s Tender Box in their Main Office Foyer by no later than 4pm on Friday 7 June 2024.
16 May 2024

Exciting events for Terms 2A and 2B with the Jamestown Brownie Unit!

At the start of Term 2A, Brownies were raring to go. Shrove Tuesday saw Brownies once again taking part in the traditional pan cakes races and it was evident that community spirit was at its best! We shared World Thinking Day celebrations on February 22nd hosted by the Longwood Units at Harford Community Centre. At the beginning of Term 2B we welcomed back to our unit Eilidh Garden from Scotland, making a total of 17 Brownies on our register. Four Brownies worked towards earning their 'Cooking' badge and the final clause saw busy hands in the kitchen where their favourite meal 'Sausage Pasta' was cooked. This was then sampled and simply devoured – well done girls! Thanks to Miss Blossom as always for being our Brownie instructor in the kitchen.

Wednesday 16th April, Brownies headed up to High Knoll for a mini tour where they captured some picturesque views. For a few of the Brownies, this was a first time visit. Brownies appreciated their moments at the fort where all else was forgotten. They have requested another visit for further exploring and I'm sure we'll make it happen for them.

Our stay was short lived at High Knoll, as we then headed on to Plantation House to meet 'Johnathan' the oldest known living animal. Brownies were thrilled to see him and their excitement exploded. What could seem like a bit of history, was the making of the 'Brownie Promise' in the company of Johnathan the tortoise, along with H.E. the Governor and Mrs Phillips. Grateful thanks for allowing this and to Mrs Debbie Yon for her patience in trying to calm Johnathan amidst the excitement of 15 Brownies all wearing yellow, perhaps misleading poor Johnathan who thought he was about to have a scrumptious supper!

Leaving Plantation grounds the Brownies then headed on to New Ground Playground where a celebration was held for Eilidh Garden's enrolment. Country life with no traffic rush, open spaces and 'Mother Nature' so beautiful, it was evident that Brownies relished the change of environment and boarding our transport for homeward bound had to be done with umpteen requests. Eilidh has now left the Unit and returned to her homeland, Scotland. We wish her well and who knows she could be back again!

On Sunday 21st April afternoon Miss Tansy and five Brownies journeyed out to Sandy Bay in support of Autism Awareness Fun Day. Enjoying the country life, the girls participated in



the sports. Always up for a challenge they were at the ready for 'tug-of-war! Other Brownies who were accompanied by their parents also joined in with the fun and games.

Tuesday 23rd April as we continue to support Autism Awareness, we extended invites to the Au-some Group and parents with children on the spectrum to join our Brownie meeting. What awesome time we had because 'Different is not Less' and our little invited guests were truly superb! We even got the group to sign our Autism Awareness pledge.

During Church Parade Service on Sunday 28th April, Barbs, Charlie and Hayley made their Promise and we welcomed Laura Wortley who moved up from Rainbows.

Bringing an end to Term 2B, a 'Fun Day' was held at Ruperts. Eight Brownies braved the ferry service with this being a first time experience for some. The other seven travelled by motor vehicle to Ruperts. This 'Fun Day' served as a three-fold event; Promise celebration, Welcoming new Brownie and Farewell to Courthney and Shae-Lyn who will be moving up to Guides. Novelty beach games became competitive and interesting. Girls were in their element just being on the beach,



Exciting events for Terms 2A and 2B with the Jamestown Brownie Unit!

and furthermore, having the feel of the ocean's mild temperature certainly was a cool off. During our 'Fun Day' we kept Kai Benjamin in mind who is still struggling with his health while Brownies were at liberty on the beach. Chicken and bacon plo was a real treat for lunch with many helpings being served. Thanks to Poppy and Mrs Rose for finding their place around the fire. The afternoon was rounded off with roasted marshmallows and our day ended at 3:30pm. Our grateful thanks to Mrs Rose, Blossom and Poppy for their continued valued support. Thanks also to Miss Marilyn Essex, Chief Nursing Officer who is also supporting our Unit. We also had two young members of the Sea and Rescue team sparing time for a mini briefing on safety at sea.

Brownies is a fun time with learning for girls starting age 7 and moving up to Guides at age 10. Our meetings are full of fun and challenges, both indoors and outdoors. Activities are suggested and led by Brownies because they have their own voice. We are open to girls of all faiths or even those without. If girls are interested, parents can contact us for further information and to register girls, and once this is done girls can join the Brownies.

Contributed by the Jamestown Brownie Unit



Brits Think Crime is Increasing – It's Fallen 90% In 30 Years

Surveys show most Brits think crime has increased in the last few years. The crime numbers show this is not true: The exact opposite is what has happened. Violence, burglary and car crime have all plummeted by well over 80% since the 1990s. This includes domestic violence and anti-social behaviour. It is reported all high-income countries show similar trends.

Fraud and computer crime has gone in the opposite direction. Sitting at home, stealing money from peoples' bank accounts or conning them into giving large wads of cash is now the preferred criminal occupation. This kind of crime is now half of all crimes committed.

Climate Scientists Have Lost Hope – Almost

Reports headlined 'World on edge of climate abyss, UN warns', or 'Climate scientists expect global heating to blast past 1.5C target' show an increasing number of experts believe the fight against climate change is lost. Or, there has been no real fight at all.

Instead, experts are giving detailed attention to what might be expected in a decade or two. One report included this summary: -

At 1.5C, the 'climate benchmark'

Heatwaves and storms intensify, tropical corals die off and tipping points for ice sheet collapses and permafrost thawing may be triggered.

At 2C

The brutal heatwave that struck the Pacific north-west in 2021 would be 100-200 times more likely. The increases in direct flood damage around the world doubles at 2C.

At 2.7C

Two billion people would be pushed outside humanity's "climate niche", ie the benign conditions in which the whole of civilisation arose over the past 10,000 years.

At 3C

Cities including Shanghai, Rio de Janeiro, Miami and The Hague would end up below sea level.

At 3C and above

The impact of climate shocks in one place will cascade around the world, through food price spikes, food and water shortages, broken supply chains, and refugees by the millions.

£Billions spent on educational technology - but does it work?

During the COVID lockdowns schools and universities worldwide relied on education technology – edtech – to keep students learning. They used online platforms to give lessons, mark work and send feedback. They used apps to teach and introduced students to programs that let them work together on projects.

Lockdowns finished but edtech kept growing. For tech businesses it is a welcome arrival as a new big money-maker. The rush to sell new education apps to schools and colleges inevitably means some are worth the money, others are definitely not. Some apps, aimed directly at parents rather than schools, show many adverts aimed at children. The edtech bit is pushed into second place by raising revenue through advertising.

Even for the more genuine techno educational aids, there are no standards set to establish what should be offered and how it should be offered. Now, what is claimed to be offered by the sellers of edtech apps cannot be reliably judged against generally agreed and accepted criteria.

**JUST ANOTHER DAY
OF NOT BEING
RICH AND FAMOUS**



Written by: Ed. Oyewo

Making Sure Your Child Gets the Education They Deserve: A Guide for Parents on St. Helena Island



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Every child deserves the opportunity to attend and excel in a high-quality public school. Regardless of their background, all children have the right to receive an education that will empower them to achieve their academic, professional, and personal goals. As a parent or guardian, you play a crucial role in advocating for your child's educational success.

The importance of a hands-on approach

While every parent desire academic success for their child, it is crucial to understand that actively monitoring and guiding their education plays a significant role in achieving this goal. In today's fiercely competitive global economy, where higher education and specialized training are valued more than ever before, it is imperative for parents to take charge of their child's educational journey. Whether your child aspires to work in education, finance, politics, art, science, manufacturing, or any other field, the rapidly evolving technological landscape demands a higher level of skills and knowledge.

As a parent, it is not only your moral obligation but also your legal right to demand a rigorous and high-quality education for your child. This includes advocating for:

Up-to-date textbooks and technology: The quality of educational resources available at your child's school

reflects the level of investment made by administrators and the government in keeping up with modern educational standards. Take the time to review your child's textbooks and request new or updated materials if necessary. Visit the school to assess the availability of technology, such as computers for student use and audio-visual equipment for digital media integration.

A safe and nurturing learning environment: Many schools have neglected to maintain or upgrade their facilities to ensure a safe and conducive learning environment. An ideal learning environment includes small class sizes with a low teacher-to-student ratio, well-maintained buildings, modern amenities, and essential services like a library, nurse's office, and wellness room. It is essential for parents and communities to hold policymakers accountable for providing adequate funding to maintain public schools in excellent condition.

Effective Parent-Teacher Communication: As a parent, you are the expert on your child. It is crucial to communicate your child's strengths, weaknesses, and any special concerns with teachers. This allows them to tailor lessons to match your child's interests and learning style. The more teachers know about your child's daily life, language, and culture, the more impactful they can make classroom experiences. Make sure to attend parent-teacher meetings and reach out to your child's teacher whenever questions or concerns arise. Engaging in your school community, such as joining the PTA, sitting in on a class, or volunteering for a field trip, not only benefits your child but also others in the school. Stay connected and advocate for your child.

Transparency Regarding Learning Objectives and Assessments: Schools must clearly establish and communicate expectations to parents and students. It is essential to understand the learning objectives at the start of each new class and school year, as well as how and when your child will be evaluated against those objectives. Do not hesitate to seek an explanation of your child's scores, information on how the scores will be utilized, and guidance on how to support your child if improvement is needed. Ensure that tests are not the sole criteria for assessing your child's performance. Inquire about the breakdown of your child's grade, including the percentage determined by tests versus homework, class participation, and other factors.

Access to School Performance Information: Request current information from your school regarding its academic standing, graduation rates, and students' access to advanced coursework. Schools are obligated by law to provide this data. If your school is lagging behind, hold your politicians accountable for increased funding, specialized staff, teacher training, and additional resources. Stay informed and advocate for improvements in your child's education.



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Setting high expectations in schools is crucial for student success: When schools establish high expectations, students are motivated to work harder and strive for excellence. This helps them build confidence in themselves and their future. It is important for schools to clearly communicate these expectations in a way that resonates with and motivates your child.

Access to services and activities should be available to all students, regardless of income: Schools should provide information to your family, whether through print, online resources, or in person. Additionally, all students should have access to essential services such as social services and remedial education if needed. Extracurricular activities should also be inclusive and open to all students. If your child is facing challenges in accessing services or activities, it is important for you to advocate on their behalf. Reach out to the school, ask questions, and ensure that your child's rights are being upheld. By being proactive and involved in your child's education, you can help them thrive and succeed.

The importance of learning at home



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Learning is a continuous process that extends beyond the classroom walls. Your child's academic success hinges on their ability to study at home and receive support and encouragement from family members or tutors. Here are some essential steps you should take:

Supervise homework: Stay informed about your child's assignments, progress, and any areas where they may need extra help. Request a curriculum outline from the

teacher to assist your child in preparing for classes and tests.

Create a conducive study environment: Establish a quiet, distraction-free space for your child to read and study. Encourage them to turn off the TV and put away their cell phone while studying. Designate a comfortable, well-lit area in the house solely for studying purposes.

Teach organizational skills: As your child grows older, they will have more responsibilities to juggle. Ensure they have a daily planner or organizational app to keep track of commitments, plan ahead, and meet deadlines. Teach them how to prioritize tasks and break down large assignments into manageable chunks.

Seek help early: If your child is struggling academically, don't hesitate to inquire about after-school tutoring. If these resources are not available at the school, ask for recommendations. Discuss the possibility of creating an individualized learning plan with the teacher to closely monitor your child's progress.

Remember, your involvement in your child's education is crucial for their academic success. By taking these proactive steps, you can help set them up for a bright future.

The importance of family involvement



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Families play a crucial role in the academic success of children. Aunts, uncles, grandparents, and other adults in a child's life must seize every opportunity to emphasize the importance of education, set high expectations, and offer support.

Adults in the household should assist children in setting goals and guide them in creating a plan of action. This could involve tasks such as waking up on time, improving attendance, starting assignments early, gradually improving grades, or finding study partners at school.

Above all, it is essential to discuss the value of education as a precious gift, a fundamental right, and an exciting journey. Children should feel empowered to pursue their education with the unwavering support of their family.

Till Next- Time, Keep well.

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2024

FISHING

COMPETITION

CULTURE MONTH

SUNDAY
MAY
26

4AM-3PM

MEET AT THE WARF FOR THE COMPETITION

CATEGORIES:

Largest tuna

Largest conger

Largest wahoo

Largest bullseye

Largest hard back soldier

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT RADKA HENRY AT

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OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AT 1PM

FISHING COMPETITION WEIGH AT 3PM

YACHT CLUB WILL HAVE A BAR, LIVE BAND & FISH FRY STARTING
AT 4PM

ICE CREAM TRUCK, JJZ (SWEET STALL) &
JOSHUA FAMILY FUN WILL BE AT THE SEASIDE



Celebrating St Helena competition



The Celebrating St Helena competition aims to enhance the record-base of St Helena's **modern culture**, and **preserve stories and memories that are alive within our community today**.

Submissions are open to island residents aged 18 and over, and may focus on topic(s) relevant to St Helena's living memories and culture, as they exist today in 2024. Entries could capture a favourite old yarn of a friend or family member; could document how a location or thing has changed over time; could showcase the current day-to-day experience of living in St Helena; or anything in between. The overall aim being to help create a small bank of information, to preserve a **snapshot of St Helena today**, for into the future.

Entries may be submitted in:

- Written format (300-500 words, accompanied by an image of the author or an image regarding the subject material);
- Audio format (30secs-5mins, mp3 or wav, accompanied by an image of the person featured on the recording); or
- Video format (30secs-5mins, mp4, no greater than 1080p).

Prizes will be awarded to the winning entries, as judged by a panel including representatives from the Museum of St Helena and the St Helena National Trust.

For more information and to enter, check the pinned post on St Helena Tourism's social media channels. For hard-copy entry forms and information, contact the Communications Hub on 22470.

Closing date: 21 June 2024.



This competition goes alongside the release of the Celebrating St Helena booklet. The booklet results from more than **400 interviews** with community members and stakeholders, to identify the most **common words, themes, and ideas** used when talking about central aspects of St Helena.



It essentially creates a snapshot of the **common language** that those who know St Helena best, have used to describe **the island** and their own **connections** to the landscape and community.



Having this documented, **central reference point** for exactly how we like to identify ourselves, can actually support both private sector and government. Check out more at the St Helena's Day celebrations on **19 May**.

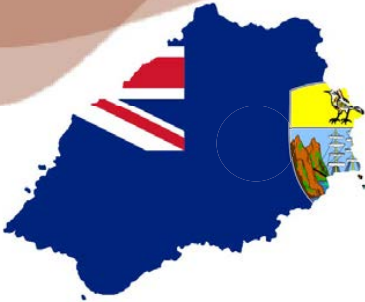


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St Helena's Day Celebrations



Sunday 19th May



TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF PARKING SPACES AND ROAD DIVERSIONS IN JAMESTOWN

St Helena's day celebrations will be held on this Sunday 19th May starting at 12 noon.

The St Helena National Trust & the Culture Working Group would like to advise the public of following temporary parking space closures and road diversions for Saturday 18th May (for setting up on the Grand Parade) and Sunday 19th day.

Saturday 18th May

On Saturday afternoon the Main Marquee areas will be assembled, therefore temporary closure of the parking spaces directly in front the St James Church and the parking spaces surrounding the Dr Arnold Monument will be in place. We therefore would appreciate could be vacated from these spaces by 1:00pm on Saturday afternoon.

Sunday 19th May

All parking on the Grand Parade will be temporarily closed from 7:00am – 7:30pm for the final set up and the day's events.

For those persons wishing to access the seafront you can do so, via a road diversion, around the main set up, pass the Rickmers and then down through the arch. Alternatively Narra backs can also be used. Vehicles leaving the seafront will be required to do so using the road via the Museum and up the Shy road.

Float Parade

The float parade will start at the Maldivia Car Parks at 3:00pm.

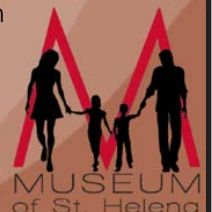
Therefore, could Maldivia car park be vacated by 12noon to allow floats to assemble.

During the Parade through town, vehicles can utilise Seales Corner or Narra Backs for access to lower Jamestown.

Parking at Pilling School

Parking will be available at Pilling school playground.

We would like to ask all drivers to be mindful and cautious when using the diversions on Sunday and thank you to everyone in advance for your cooperation on the day!



Turtles hatching at Sandy Bay beach...



The Marine Team of the STH National Trust should be extremely proud of themselves for successfully facilitating turtle hatchings at Sandy Bay beach over last weekend.

Back in April, the Team recorded Green Turtle nesting attempts being made on Sandy Bay beach. Due to heavy rain washing away the top layer of sand from a nest, it was decided to relocate the eggs further up the beach. Following the success of the artificial nesting chamber conducted at Ruperts last year, 94 eggs were relocated, following the rules and guidelines for this activity.

The Marine team have been monitoring the nests for possible hatch dates, and on Monday morning found tell-tale tracks left behind by the baby turtles as they made their way to the sea. They then conducted a nest excavation and out of the 94 eggs relocated, 63 had hatched and the remainder includes those that are still intact and some in the hatching process. This surpasses 22 turtles that hatched at Ruperts last year.

Kenickie Andrews, the Marine Ecology Project Manager at the Trust, said this further proves that Turtle artificial nesting chambers for the island, might be the way forward for the endangered marine reptiles.

Congratulations are extended to Kenickie and his team for facilitating successful Green Turtle hatchings, that could possibly be a breakthrough in marine science practised on the island.



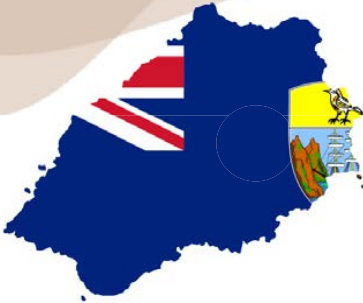
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Sunday 19th May 2024



PROGRAMME



“IDENTITY - WHAT MAKES ST HELENA, ST HELENA!”

12noon—Marching Parade, followed by the Opening Ceremony
on the Grand Parade

1:00pm— ‘Breaking ground’ for the new Culture Centre at the Old PWD Store

1:30pm—Culture Month Competition

2:00pm—Food Competition, Fishcakes, Tomato Paste & Coconut Fingers

◆ Bingo at the Museum

◆ Human Library and Interactive Boards in the Castle Courtyard

3:00pm— Float Parade starting at the Hospital

4:30pm—Judging of the Floats

5:00pm— Traditional dancing & music, Primary School Dance displays

7:00pm— Viewing of the ‘Step back in time’ Video

7:30pm—St Helena's Day Celebration declared closed.

Entrance Fee
£1.00 Adults
50p for kids

Various Stalls
with a variety of
goodies on sale

Visit the Cultural
Sensory tent for
years gone by

Food & Drink
on sale
throughout the
day

Local Bands will be
playing throughout
the day



St Helena Island
A breath of fresh air

