The following is a joint press release issued by the Office of the Governor, the Administrator and the Steering Committee for Democratic Development on Ascension Island to the people of Ascension Island

You will be aware that John Styles visited Ascension Island two weeks ago and held a number of public meetings. He also met the Steering Committee on two separate occasions. The Steering Committee welcomed his visit. It became apparent during the discussions that the Steering Committee had been given insufficient guidance and information at the beginning of their work, which commenced during April 2002. Subsequently there was a series of misunderstandings on all sides. The meetings with the Steering Committee were very productive and a way forward has been agreed with all involved, which has subsequently been endorsed by the Governor and London. The Steering Committee and the Governor are anxious that everyone with a stake in the future of Ascension Island and who will be entitled to vote, understand what the options involve and are able to comment on them before a vote takes place. Much good work has already been done and a number of public and workplace meetings have been held. However there are people who have not attended the meetings and as a consequence may not fully understand all the issues. AIG will produce a leaflet identifying some of the pros and cons of an Island (only) Council for Ascension and the alternative of an Island Council plus an inter-island Council covering some of the services across both Islands (Ascension and St Helena). Significant feedback has already been given by the Community which has been encapsulated by the Steering Committee in their presentations. This feedback largely involves some suggested variations to the Island Council concept. This feedback will be covered in the leaflet that will give you an update on what has been said to date at the public and workplace meetings. The Administrator will ensure that the leaflet will be given the widest possible distribution. The purpose of the leaflet is therefore two-fold. Firstly to provide you with information on the alternatives for the future of Ascension Island together with an update on what has been said to date. Secondly to invite your comments on a form included within the leaflet which will be collected from you. This form will not identify you but will be numbered to avoid duplication. When all the information is returned it will be gathered together by the Administrator who will consider
Dear Editor,

“Donna and the bunch for collapse! The rest of us then set up our first projectile for a test firing and, after carelessly expending several matches in the wind, the rocket was launched with the timely aid of Tom Hutton-Stott’s cigarette lighter. Away it soared high into the air (the rocket, not the lighter!) and burst in an impressive display of white stars. We were therefore now fully prepared but the afternoon having worn on without the appearance of the RMS, grubbing and general boredom set in and resulted in us having to depart on the return journey.

Imagine our glee therefore, when the good ship suddenly hove into sight around King & Queen Rocks whilst we were climbing the saddle on Knotty Ridge! The remaining rocket was hastily set up, the crosswind, ship’s speed, distance and trajectory elevation all carefully calibrated and fed into our non-computerised launcher (an empty Castle beer bottle supported by small rocks) and we waited in suspense until the RMS reappeared from behind the Barn and drew within range. We then hauled it with a great united shout and much waving and caterping about, to distract the bridge officers and passengers from their fate and lull them into a false sense of security. The result? Nary a hand wave or blast from the ship’s hooter. Miserable lot! Our blood was now up and the order to fire was given to the gun-master who struck our four remaining matches, each of which in turn promptly went out in the breeze without ignition, leaving us impatient in our barely suppressed fury. On reflection, we should have lit a paper taper with at least the third match, and Napoleon would no doubt have thought of that — but we didn’t. Tom (and his lighter) had unfortunately remained a mile off with our rock-drilling duos, so we were pathetically reduced to dismantling our rocket launcher whilst hurling vocal abuse at the ship, which continued serenely on its merry way apparently completely unaware of its narrow escape from destruction. Nevermind, we’ll get it next time!

Colin Quinn
Cambridgeshire House

PS I have just realised that attempting to fire at Her Majesty’s Royal Mail Ship is probably a crime subject to capital punishment. I shall however, throw myself on Captain ‘Flogger’ Smith’s mercy and plead insanity, which is by far my best excuse, as everyone on St Helena knows!

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Nurses and Midwives, I would like to extend a big thank you to all those parents who sent in photographs of their children born between the years 2000 – 2002. The collage is displayed in the passage leading to the Maternity Ward in the General Hospital. Anyone who would like to view the display may do so, however, you are asked to report to the reception desk before proceeding on to the Maternity section. Your co-operation in this matter is greatly appreciated. Once again the department has been privileged in making contact with our student nurses, Wendy Herne and Shara Robinson in Queen’s University, via a videoconference link. Thank you goes to Adam and Sharon of Cable and Wireless for making this possible.

Yours Faithfully,
Maureen Couts

Dear Editor,

Thank You St Helena
We, Mark and Franky, would like to thank the people of St Helena for receiving and treating us kind and warm-heartedly. We always say that is better to expect the unexpected, because then you get great surprises like this one. We had one of the best times being together as ‘Colour Blind’ with you. Thank you so much for treating us as friends. We would like to thank the Q5 committee for bringing us here and you all have done a great jab. Also the RMS St Helena for one of the best experiences ever, for your help Nigel, Michael, the crew, the passengers. We had our first encounter ever with St Helenians on the RMS St Helena and it really only got better. Thanks to all the people involved, who built the stages, Larry for his truck and his time and patience, everybody helping, Mark carrying everything around, Martin who always went the extra mile, Sidonio who helped us out with equipment. Donald and Irene Harris who fed us well, Gillian, Donna and the bunch for being the greatest “support group and best of friends!” We would like to apologise though, for any inconvenience caused on the 26th of May at Longwood, due to miss communication. We sincerely hope that we did not offend anybody.

Now we can all say the famous line saying: “Everything was almost perfect!” To us it has been and we will always remember this as a great festival and hope you would too. Let’s just all have the memory living on in our hearts. You have a beautiful Island, you are most amazing people and we will remember this for the rest of our lives. It is always sad to say goodbye, but we will fill the gap with memories and the hope of maybe returning one day.

Thank you St Helena; you’ll be in our hearts forever.

Loads of Love
Mark and Franky
“Colour Blind”

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your comments together with those collected by the Steering Committee. Recommendations agreed by the Administrator in consultation with the Steering Committee will then be made to the Governor and London as to whether any amendments to either model are favoured by the Community. At this stage the Steering Committee will be dissolved. It will then be up to the Governor, in consultation with Her Majesty’s Government (HMG), to finalise the options open to Ascension Island. The options, inclusive of any approved amendments, will then be put back to the community and a ballot will take place on the Island. Following the results of this ballot, which will be announced, the Governor will make recommendations to British Ministers for the future democratic structure of Ascension Island. It will be for HMG to make the final decision.

The Governor, the Administrator and the Steering Committee requests you to participate in this very important process. The future of Ascension Island depends on your feedback back your views and voting on the day.

Office of the Governor, The Castle
Administrator, Georgetown
Steering Committee for Democratic Development on Ascension Island
28 May 2002

RMS SAVES FUEL SITUATION
By Mike Olsson

Prior to departure for Ascension last Saturday, the RMS St Helena moved anchorage to Rupert’s Bay to enable 36 tonnes of diesel fuel to be pumped ashore to the Bulk Fuel Installation. The stocks of diesel fuel at the BFI were at this stage dangerously low and the next tanker was four days away. The pumping operation on Saturday morning was successful and the supply of diesel and therefore also electricity was secured until Tuesday this week when the tanker Jo Ask arrived with 598 tonnes of diesel and 184 tonnes of petrol. This is the first time since August 2000 that the RMS has come to the Island’s rescue by bringing fuel. The RMS St Helena was designed with additional fuel tanks to enable her to supply the Island with diesel fuel but these tanks have very seldom been used for this purpose.

Well, the dust is beginning to settle. Tuesday was certainly full of activities and events for people to watch. I think there was one major highlight, which people are still talking about and that was the firework display the like of which I don’t think has been seen here before. On the downside most people were disappointed that the floats came down so late and couldn’t really be seen properly in the dark. Decent photographs were all but impossible – pity. So there is a lesson for the future. I am sure that we all thank the Q5 committee, the sponsors and everyone who worked so hard to make the day a great success. Monday coming the festivities continue with a thanksgiving celebration of the Queens Golden Jubilee at the Cathedral at 10.00am; the Bishop tells me that the service will take a new and different form, I am sure that the Cathedral will be filled to the doors. In the afternoon lots of sports on the Plain so start planning your picnics now!

The RMS experienced difficulty in anchoring in its normal place yesterday due to the very high winds. Captain Smith told me that he had never experienced such strong winds in the Bay in 25 years of coming to the Island. He said that the gusting crosswinds were reaching 40 knots of force 8 on the Beaufort scale. The ship was forced to anchor further to the west for this reason and he said that this is the first time this had happened. The safe offloading of passengers would have been impossible had the ship anchored in her usual mooring. The ship sailed today and I hope that those travelling have taken their sea legs with them; for myself I will be firmly anchored on terra firma. Hopefully I will have more space next week for the editorial for this week we have done our best to cover recent events and as you can see there have been many.

Have a nice weekend

Johnny

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Dear Editor,

I normally find reading The Herald to be interesting and pleasant but the information on passport charges in the 17th May edition raised my hackles more than a little. The following comparisons will be of interest to your readers.

For two adults with two children on separate passports, applicants living on St. Helena are charged £74.00 more than an identical application from an address in the UK. The extra cost is roughly equal to one and a half week’s work for many St. Helenians. Additionally, how much will passport photos cost in St. Helena? In the UK they cost £3.00 for four from automatic photo booths.

Why is it not cost effective to issue passports from The Castle? Why is there not an ‘expert’ in issuing passports arriving on the next ship from the UK to show two or three St. Helenians what needs to be done? ‘Experts’ have been shipped out for virtually every other purpose.

For residents in Britain it takes two weeks or less from the time the application is sent to the Passport Office for the passport to be delivered to your door. Two months is the time, which should be allowed if the same application is sent from St. Helena. For a service, which takes four times longer, the cost is more than half as much again. Is this what ‘cost effectiveness’ means to the Foreign & Commonwealth Office?

Vince Thompson

PS: I wonder if less time is taken to issue passports to residents on Ascension because of the twice-weekly UK flights.

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St. Helena Art and Crafts Association


The Chairman welcomed the President, Michel Martineau and members to the meeting. Then the chairman highlighted and gave an insight into the following for the benefit of members:

- a. Years activities from June 2001—June 2002
- b. Careers Fair involvement and contribution
- c. Cooperation and involvement with island schools
- d. Cruise ship visits
- e. Preparations for Q5 Celebrations
- f. Comprehensive update of Centre sales and products
- g. Acknowledgement of contributions made by members and in particular those of Danny Coutts and Joseph Scipio to the running of and development of the centre
- h. The need to raise funds for future development

The election of a new Committee then took place

The following members were then elected to serve on the Executive Committee for the year June 2002—June 2003

Dulcie Robertson Chairman
Gordon Priddham Treasurer
Danny Coutts Co-ordinator
Ruth Priddham Member
Bobby Robertson Secretary

The formal activities of the evening ended with the election of officials and the chairman then invited members to partake in a social evening where refreshments were served and discussion took place among members who put forward ideas and considerations for the improvement and benefit of the Association.

D.M. Robertson Chairman

NEW YEAR HONOURS 2003: OVERSEAS LIST

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office has once again invited His Excellency the Governor to submit recommendations for New Year Honours 2003. Readers are reminded that honours are awarded on merit for exceptional achievement or service over and above what normally might be expected. Where possible, nominations should place emphasis on voluntary services.

Any recommendations from people on St Helena are required at the Castle by Friday 7 June 2002.

Copies of the FC0’s public nomination form may be obtained from Mrs Francis, Assistant Secretary, Office of the Chief Secretary. Completed nomination forms should be returned in a sealed envelope, addressed to Mrs Francis, and marked confidential

Office of the Chief Secretary
The Castle
17 May 2002

Messages From the Master

During the week that the RMS was ‘in port’ she played her part in the festivities of the quincentennary of the Island. She took 11% of the Island’s population on the three Round-the-Island trips. On the casino’n music night the ship lost 40p on the gaming tables! How about that for high rollers?! This week the Island has got a few things it wanted: citizenship restored after 11 years of fighting for it; a new museum (And it is magnificent) with a valuable Ming plate to put in it thanks to the RAF divers; a superb firework display which cost £4.54 per second for the 22 minute duration. The promise of a visit by Princess Anne, The Princess Royal, in November. Now will she come by RN frigate or the RMS? There isn’t a Royal Yacht anymore. A jolly good week and I hope very one enjoyed it. The Q5 committee and a few others did work hard.

Today (28th May) at Ascension, Donald and Sherie Bowers disembarked from the RMS to travel south to the Falklands to represent the RMS St Helena and
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the island of St Helena at the 20th anniversary, on the
14th of June, of the liberation of the Falkland Islands
by British forces over the invading Argentinians.
Able Seaman Donald Bowers, is the longest serving
sailor on the RMS having joined the ‘Old RMS’ in
Vancouver, Canada, in October 1977. He was amongst
the crew who volunteered to go to war with the ‘Old
RMS’ when she was requisitioned as a mine-hunter
support ship and set off south after being armed and
fitted out with a helicopter and extra fuel and water
tanks in company with HMS Brecon and HMS
Ledbury. Photographs of this squadron can be seen
in the new museum. It is fitting that he should
represent the ship and the island for this occasion
and join with the senior military figures who will also
be guests of the Falkland Islands government at this
time.
Martin LM Smith
Master RMS St Helena

Get to know the men behind Shelco/Aurp
Part 4
Captain David Henry, Shelco Avation Director

David Henry has enjoyed a highly successful
career spanning 28 years in the operations
and flight management field of UK commercial
aviation, following twelve years of
distinguished service as a Test
Pilot with the Fleet
Air Arm. A Fellow
of the Royal
Aeronautical
Society and
Chairman of the Financial Advisory Committee of
the Civil Aviation Authority, David Henry joined
Shelco in late 2001 after completing a 3-year
assignment as Managing Director of Airtours
International Airways.
Previously he was Operations Director and Flight
Ops Director for Leisure International Airways, Air
UK (Leisure) Ltd and Air UK Ltd, whom he joined in
1978 after 5 years as Chief Pilot for a corporate
executive aircraft fleet. David Henry is one of the
most respected senior airline executives in Europe,
whose wealth of knowledge, contacts, skill and
practical experience will now be devoted to the
specialised task of launching St Helena Airways, of
which he has become Managing Director-designate.

St Helena Police
ACTIVITY REPORT

We welcome Constable Mark Peterson to the St. Helena
Police Service. Mark is from South Africa and has come
to the island to settle with his wife and family. Policing
is not new to Mark, as he has served with the South
African police. He started his career as a Constable in
1986 and was promoted to Sergeant in 1990 and then
to Inspector in 1994. He has completed a National
Diploma in Police Administration at Technikon South
Africa in 1996. Mark said, “I am looking forward to
serving the people of St. Helena. I have been doing
police work for 15 years and feel that I can contribute
my experience to the community of St. Helena. It has
always been my duty to protect and to serve. I will
always carry out my duties to the best of my ability. I
am also eager and willing to learn more about policing
St. Helena.” David Buckley started his career in April
2001 as a Cadet and in October the same year was
appointed to Constable. David seems to be an ambitious
person and is now pursuing his career working in the
Criminal Investigation Department. I wish both officers
every success with their careers.
Merlin C George
Inspector of Police
BRAVE MARINE REWARDED FOR DISPOSAL OF MORTAR SHELL

The following is a Press Release received from the Public Relations Office at HM Naval Home Command Tuesday January 15.02.

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The Audit Department

Introduction

It appears from the island’s records that the St Helena Audit Department was formed around the time of the end of the Second World War. An auditor was certainly resident on the island by 1947, reporting to the Colonial Audit Office in London. Today the Audit Department is a department of the Government of St Helena. The Chief Auditor has statutory responsibilities to both Legislative Council and the Financial Secretary. However, the office attempts to remain as independent from the administration as is appropriate, by building links with the Legislative Council, and seeing itself primarily as an office of Parliament. The department now occupies premises beside an independent office. The 15 staff work in the Canister, a property of character and historical interest nestled on the edge of Jamestown’s Castle Gardens. In 1898 Garden Hall was the venue for a performance given by Mr Joshua Slocum, the first man to circumnavigate the globe single-handedly. The work we do

The Audit Department performs:

• Certification (also known as external) audits of annual financial statements. We issue an opinion stating to what extent the statements are true and fair, and contain legal transactions. People who use the statements for making decisions know whether or not they can rely on the figures.

• Systems reviews, to identify and assess financial and management controls. We issue recommendations to management if any improvements to systems and controls are identified.

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Celebrations for Queens Jubilee

St Helena will celebrate Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee on Monday 3 June with a public holiday and a fun day of sports on Francis Plain. London have proposed to all overseas Missions that this year’s Queen's Birthday Party be a combined celebration for the Golden Jubilee. The Garden Party will take place at Plantation House on Saturday 15 June.

Two main events have been planned by the National Amateur Sports Association of St Helena (NASAS) and the Island Games Association of St Helena (IGASH) and Bishop John. Bishop John has planned a special ecumenical service to be held at St Paul’s Cathedral on Monday morning, 3 June at 10am. All uniformed organisations have been invited to take part in the parade. This will be followed by sporting activities on Francis Plain from noon to 6pm. The highlight will be a 10-kilometre run starting and finishing at Francis Plain. This run is expected to last between one and a half to two hours and will be suitable for those who want to run or to stroll. Most of the sports will be novelty related and will no doubt prove to be an enjoyment for the entire family, such as Chase the tyre Race, Novelty Relay, Flat Races, a Penalty Shoot-Out and Tug-of-War. It is hoped that districts will enter teams for the tug-of-war. Money prizes will be awarded for all sports. The organisers are hoping to have bar facilities available and eats are being planned. Two interested parties have decided to provide food stalls on the day with a tuck shop, fast foods and teas. During the Silver Jubilee Celebrations in 1977 the menu included hot dogs, cold lunches, curries and fish and chips. According to the St Helena News Review, 17 June 1977 there was an “estimated 2,000 people in Jamestown that day – possibly the largest crowd ever to congregate at any one place for an event in St Helena.” Hopefully there will be an even bigger crowd on Francis Plain. The St Helena News Review also stated that there were: “Light showers of rain which fell during the celebrations...” Hopefully there will be sunny skies on Monday.

Further information can be obtained from Gilbert Yon on telephone 3277 or 2920.

29 May 2002

The Audit Department

- Value for money audits, where we examine a system or set of systems in depth, and identify areas for improvements in efficiency, economy and effectiveness.
- Probity investigations into possible irregularities, to confirm whether or not any irregularities have occurred.

Our Audit Approach

The Audit Department has a modern, well-organised and client-focused approach. All our work is supported by clear plans and structured audit programmes. We keep abreast of professional developments by continuous appraisal of our procedures against best current practice.

Personal Development

We are proud to have recently been accredited with Investors in People. This award confirms and recognises our strong commitment to personal development, and our objective of encouraging each staff member to realise their full potential.

We offer both in-house and distance learning courses in accountancy and audit. Currently staff are supported in studying for the recognised UK qualification of Certified Accounting Technician. In addition to accountancy and audit, this course covers a variety of subjects including IT, Office Practice and Procedure and Managing People. Success at this level also gains exemption from part of a higher professional qualification.

Much of our work is computer generated so good IT skills are an asset. We have a local area network, which includes access to the Internet and E-mail facilities. The Audit Department offers you an interesting and challenging career, with the opportunity to make a significant contribution to the people of St Helena.

Contact

The Chief Auditor, Mary Stewart can be contacted on Telephone: (290) 2107, Fax: (290) 2111 or E-mail: chief.auditor@sthelena.gov.sh.

Or you can contact any of the department’s staff, either in person or on telephone numbers 2108 through to 2112.

We welcome any enquiries.

REPORT FROM THE ST HELENA GOVERNMENT UK REPRESENTATIVE COVERING 1 FEBRUARY – 31 MARCH 2002

During the period 1 February – 31 March I have been involved in the following principle activities:

Air Access

For a two week period I was involved in discussions on air access for St Helena with the delegation from St Helena (Chief Secretary John Styles, Councillors’ Eric George and Eric Benjamin), and with DFID and SHELCO/Ove Arup. The outcome of these discussions will be reported on by the team on their return to St Helena.

UK Overseas Territories Association (UKOTA)

It was agreed at the meeting that the Secretariat should write to the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association to ask if all UKOTs were contacted prior to the Commonwealth Day Observance to check whether they would like to nominate students based in the UK to attend this event.

Sukey Cameron reported that Anthony Browne, a journalist from the Observer, was interested in writing an article about the restoration/granting of British Citizenship to the territories. Anthony has since been in touch with me to discuss how this will affect "Saints".

Sukey also reported that Ben Fogle is currently carrying out research for a book he is writing on the territories, and had visited the Falklands. Ben has been in contact with me and we will arrange a meeting before he travels to St Helena in June.

Promotional Activities

The St Helena Government (SHG) co-financed the stand at the Destinations travel exhibition with Andrew Weir Shipping held at Olympia 29 January – 3 February. The official
St Helenians will soon have the opportunity to participate in a vet-training course, which is being run by the Agriculture and Natural Resources Department at Scotland.

A Vet Trainer will be arriving to provide veterinary training to anyone who is interested, free of charge. Whilst this will in no way compensate for the services which could be provided by a full time, fully qualified vet, it will be of great benefit to the 600 plus animals on the Island. Wendy Clingham, Chief Agricultural and Natural Resources Officer said it was hoped that the Vet Trainer could stay for a 12-month period, but this was not possible. However, the Trainer will be looking at the future needs of the Island, veterinary practices and or need for a resident vet and also running additional training courses or whatever she considers necessary. Following her visit she will put her recommendations to the St Helena Government and the Department for International Development (DFID).

The RSPCA and A&NRD have put a lot of effort into caring for animals and the vet-training course should further enhance such services.

The Training

A&NRD is very positive about the course, which covers quite a lot of topics for both farm animals and pets. The course was designed in the UK, based on recommendations by the Department. So far, 15 persons have registered, comprising of personnel from A&NRD, the RSPCA and from the general public, but the Department is hoping that more will express an interest even if the course has already started. Wendy feels that there is a bonus for participants as “Trained persons could look at it (being able to perform some veterinary practice) as a small business” whereby they could offer their services to the public for a small fee. Some years ago, ANRD did this with their spray service and it was a success. Persons will be looking at no less than 10 to 12 hours of training per week and hopefully this time will be granted to interested employees although Wendy said: “We will definitely have some training outside of working hours.” This will probably take place three nights per week for those who are unable to attend during normal working hours. The course will be mostly practical including operations and accompanying the trainer on fieldwork, although there will be some short exams. In general Wendy sees it as: “A very balanced course.” Some will already be knowledgeable in certain aspects that will be taught, so they can either participate as a refresher, or only take part in sections that are of interest to them. It is hoped that the majority of students will take on the full course and complete all modules. AN&RD has started a short induction course so that the course can commence as soon as the Vet Trainer arrives. So—what will people really gain? “Personal development, and in as far as people in businesses are concerned—the skill to manage their own resources. St Helena is very short in such skills so even six months training will be an achievement,” said Wendy.

Surgery at ANRD

ANRD has been working towards the establishment of an animal surgery that can be used for farm animals and pets. At this stage the finishing touches are being put to the building, which comprises of three rooms: the surgery, the recovery room and possibly an X ray room. This project will be completed by the time the Vet Trainer arrives so much of the training can take place in the building.

In the Pipeline

Whilst nothing is definite the Department is also looking at providing some assistance to train someone further in veterinary studies. Wendy says that if someone shows potential during the course they could be given this opportunity.

A student with a St Helenian mother is currently studying in the UK to become a vet. She will be visiting the Island later this year, and as part of her training she will be doing six months voluntary work with animals.

“ There is also a St Helenian ex Student who was once a youth Trainee at A&NRD. She left the Island and is also studying to become a vet and has been in close contact with the Department. The departure of the Vet Trainer will not mean the end of training in this field. Wendy is confident that in the future the Department will engage the services of other trainers to provide refresher courses.

Governor Hollamby to stay until 2004

Governor Hollamby will continue to be Governor of St Helena until September 2004. The good news was announced to Executive Council earlier today. Previously he was scheduled to depart in 2003, but he will now have an extra year. Governor Hollamby arrived at St Helena on 24 June 1999, and since then he has seen the restoration of British Citizenship, the Millennium and Quincentenary Celebrations and the Yes vote on Air Access for the Island. He said: “I was delighted that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office agreed to my request to extend my Governorship. I feel like a senior player of a Premier League team that has decided to finish his playing career with the club he has previously served for a number of years. St Helena is not a bad place to hang up one’s boots at the end of a long career.”
Executive Council

The following matters were discussed at the Executive Council meetings held on 14 May 2002 and are circulated for information:

1. **Overseas Territories Consultative Council Meeting 2002**

   Nominations were invited from Council as to who should attend this year’s Overseas Territories Consultative Council Meeting to be held in London from 23 to 25 September 2002. It was agreed that the Hon Cyril Gunnell and Hon William Drabble should attend as St Helena’s delegates. It was also agreed that the adopted procedure for nomination of persons to attend the Overseas Territories Consultative Council meetings should be one experienced member accompanied by one new member for continuity purposes. In which case, Hon William Drabble being the new member for 2002, would again attend in 2003 as the experienced member, accompanied by another new member, and so the pattern should continue for future years.

2. **Undertakings Given and Resolutions Made at Legislative Council Meeting held on 22 March 2002**

   Council agreed the Undertakings given at the Legislative Council meeting held on 22 March 2002 as follows:
   1. The Chairman, Public Health and Social Services Committee undertook to give a written reply to Hon Eric Andrews as to why some nursing assistants were paid £52 per week and other temporaries £58 per week.
   2. The Chairman, Public Works and Services Committee assured Hon Eric Andrews that safety rails would be erected at the Dungeon junction.
   3. The Financial Secretary undertook to provide a written response to Members of the House on the impact of the Prohibition Order on Government Departments.
   4. The Chief Secretary undertook to review the whole issue of playgrounds with all relevant stakeholders.
   5. The Chairman, Public Health and Social Services Committee undertook to request the Environmental Health Section to clean the public toilets in Upper Jamestown.
   6. When drawing up next year’s budget, the Financial Secretary undertook to show revenue from Road Traffic Licences and Vehicle Inspection Fees separately. A breakdown would also be given of ‘Miscellaneous Receipts’.
   7. The Financial Secretary undertook to discuss with DFID during the aid negotiations the Asset Replacement Fund for the Wind Turbine Generators.
   8. The Chairman, Public Health and Social Services Committee undertook to give a breakdown of the £150 per day per person in residential care.
   9. The Chairman, Agricultural and Natural Resources Committee undertook to give an update on JapTuna at the end of the financial year.
   10. The Chairman, Public Works and Services Committee undertook to provide details of mileage of main, district and community roads, together with a maintenance programme for the next financial year.
   11. The Chairman, Public Works and Services Committee undertook to provide details of monies available for maintenance of burial grounds.
   12. The Financial Secretary undertook to give a written reply as to whether funds for locally funded projects were lost if not used within the current year, or whether they rolled over into the next financial year.

   With regard to the Resolutions, Council agreed on the action to take to honour these agreements:

   1. This House recognises the value of a vibrant museum in preserving the heritage of our island, enhancing the education of our children and as a leisure facility.
      (Hon Mrs Margaret Hopkins).
      No further action.
   2. I beg to move, that this House recognises the importance of inward investment to St Helena and resolves that Argos Atlantic Cold Stores Limited should be supplied with the electric current they have requested as soon as possible.
      (Hon Mrs Bernice Olsson).
      Action was in hand and nearing completion.
   3. This House supports the Government’s intention to construct Government Landlord housing units when funding is available with a view to decreasing the housing shortage.
      (Hon Cyril Gunnell).
      Chairman, Employment and Social Services Committee was following this up.
   4. This House supports moves by the United Kingdom Overseas Territories Association to have the residency criteria for overseas students to access tertiary education in the United Kingdom, changed to allow students from the United Kingdom Overseas Territories, in particular St Helena, to access home student rates.
      (Hon Mrs Margaret Hopkins).
      This will be discussed further by the United Kingdom Overseas Territories Association.

5. **Health Link II Project**

   The Health Link II Project will, with the St Helena and Tristan da Cunha Governments and other donors (UNDP and EU), support over five years a comprehensive health development programme. The Project will provide financial assistance to make available long-term professional health staff (medical doctors, dentist, nurse tutor, environmental health officer, laboratory technologist) and short-term visiting health specialists to help service the public health and medical needs of St Helenians and Tristanians. Funds will be provided for new specialist health equipment such as X-ray, dental, laboratory, medical records etc. and for offshore training of health workers.

   The Project will commence in October 2002 and be completed by the end of September 2007. The total cost of the Project is £4.2m development aid plus a local SHG contribution of £0.8m.

   Council agreed that the Health Link II Project should be endorsed and submitted to DFID for approval.

   It was further agreed that approval should be sought from DFID to use £20,000 out of the £100,000 earmarked for the Renewable Energy Project to procure a new replacement standby generator for the General Hospital on the grounds that the generator was urgently needed. This was not part of the Health Link II Project.

6. **Application by Argos Atlantic Cold Stores Ltd for Licence under the Fish and Fish Products Marketing Regulations 1999**

   Council considered an application from Argos Atlantic Cold Stores Ltd for a renewal of their licence in accordance with Regulation 41 of the Fish and Fish Products Marketing Regulations, 1999. This Regulation applies to the curing or manufacture of fish and fish products for both local and export markets.

   Council agreed that a licence should be issued to Argos for a further period of 1 year.

P Andrews (Mrs)
Clerk of Councils
staff in the territories responsible for co-ordinating the issuing of new passports had taken place in both Miami and the UK. During the training practical problems had been highlighted and these were being resolved.

I am receiving many enquiries from “Saints” in the UK, the Falklands and on Ascension wanting to come to the UK and seeking information on citizenship and the issue of British passports. As commencement date has not been set and details of how and where passports can be obtained has not been released I have been unable to give any advice other than to keep checking on the situation. I appreciate this is very difficult for “Saints” who want to travel to the UK to work and for those in the UK whose current work permits will soon expire.

Kedell M Worboys
St Helena Government
UK Representative

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Message from HM The Queen to St Helena to mark the quincentenary of the island’s discovery

On the occasion of the 500th anniversary of the discovery of St Helena I have much pleasure in sending my warmest congratulations to the people of the island on this special day. I know that many Saints have travelled overseas to seek employment on the Falkland Islands, Ascension Island, the UK, South Africa and elsewhere, but their love for their homeland remains undiminished. They truly look forward to the first sight of the island on the horizon, as it appears rising from the ocean. St Helena was discovered in 1502, but it was not until 1659 that the British East India Company colonised and fortified the island. St Helena has had many distinguished visitors throughout its history. Napoleon Bonaparte was exiled to St Helena in 1815 and remained there until his death in 1821. Other visitors, who have been as famous in their own fields, have included Edmund Halley in 1677, Captain Cook in 1775 and Charles Darwin in 1836. The loyalty and affection of the Saints for the Commonwealth is well known and greatly valued.

I remember with much pleasure my own visit to St Helena in 1947 with The King, The Queen and my sister, Margaret. I have an abiding memory of the arum lilies, understandably the island’s national flower, growing wild as we drove to Bamboo Hedge and back to Plantation House. There met Johnathan, still the oldest living inhabitant of St Helena, and many Saints. The warmth and informalty of our welcome remain with me to this day. My family has continued to enjoy strong links with the island and its people. Princess Margaret launched the first RMS St Helena, the island’s only regular cargo/passenger shipping link to the outside world in 1978 and the Duke of York enjoyed his own visit to St Helena in 1984.

I know that he is delighted to join you in your celebrations in London today to mark the quincentenary and the launch of the St Helena National Trust. The Prince Royal is very much looking forward to her own visit to St Helena later this year. My thoughts are with the people of St Helena, wherever you may be in the world, on this special day, and I send you good wish for a peaceful and prosperous future.

Elizabeth R
21 May 2002

The following message, the Foreign Secretary is content to be issued in his name.

Andrew Hopkinson
Overseas Territories Department

“On behalf of Her Majesty’s Government I would like to extend my warmest congratulations to the people of St Helena on the 500th anniversary of the discovery of your island. It is a very special year in more than one respect. In addition to your quincentennial celebrations I am delighted that St Helenians, together with citizens from the other Overseas Territories, have today had restored to them the right to British Citizenship. I also know that the people of St Helena have voted earlier this year in favour of pursuing air access. Should an airport be built over the coming years it will help St Helena to develop a sustainable economy. The British Government remains committed to the long-term future of the island and our thoughts and best wishes are with St Helenians everywhere as you celebrate your quincentenary.”

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The following message was sent to HE Governor Hollamby

Dear David

On behalf of the Secretary of State and the entire DFID team, I am writing to express our best wishes to the people of St Helena on the occasion of this landmark ‘St Helena Day’. Our relationship is a special one, and we look forward, during the important times ahead for the island, to an ever deepening partnership with St Helena built on sound economic development and increasing self-determination for the island’s population and government. Through you, may I wish all the ‘Saints’ a very happy and most enjoyable Quincentenary Day Celebration;

Hilary Bonn
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
DFID

The following message was sent to HE Governor Hollamby

Excellency:

On behalf of the American people, please accept my warmest congratulations on this very special year, as the “Saints” celebrate 500 years since their very beautiful island was discovered.

The United States has long enjoyed special and positive ties with the inhabitants of St. Helena, in particular, through the thousands of “Saints” who through the years have worked hard to ensure the effective operation of our base on Ascension Island. In addition, in the late 1800’s, American whalers received a warm welcome whenever they arrived on Saint Helena.

Our country also is indebted to the critical role that St. Helena played in ending the slave trade in West Africa. As a base of operations for British ships patrolling the slave trade, the site of a court to try those plying this vile trade, and as a place of recuperation for slaves set free, St. Helena was a beacon of hope.

Best wishes to you, and to the men and women of Saint Helena, on the 500th anniversary of its discovery.

Sincerely,

William S. Parish
US Ambassador
London

Greetings to all the people of St Helena on this very special day. Five hundred years since the discovery of the Island and the day upon which the citizenship you lost is restored in full.

We wish you a very happy St Helena Day. May you soon achieve the ‘Vision for St Helena’ and that prosperous, peaceful and democratic society for all.

Sandi & David Smallman

The Big Event has happened! We hope you found something amongst the various events and activities that made Q5 special for you.

The week started with the glamorous Miss St Helena Contest, organised by the HTH Guiders, which resulted in Noleen Fowler being crowned Miss St. Helena 2002. That same night Jamestown came alive with hundreds of coloured lights shedding their warm glow over the streets and houses whilst the multicoloured bunting fluttered in the gentle breeze. This was Jamestown’s signal that it was ready to welcome whatever was coming next.

On Saturday Longwood followed suit and Longwood Green, under KJ’s guidance, came alive with the “Party in the Park”. Under a starry sky, close to 1000 people gathered to enjoy the music, the chat, the hot refreshments and cold drinks. All blended well and by 10pm the woolly jackets were off and people were dancing energetically to the country and disco tunes of KJ’s music system and the rock ‘n roll sounds of Mark & Frankie of the South African Group ‘Colour Blind’.

On Sunday morning, as the sun shone brightly over Jamestown, the Canon Walcott Memorial Committee hosted a service in St. James Church to remember and give thanks for the invaluable contributions that the late Canon Walcott and his wife Winifred made to the people of St. Helena. The Church was filled to capacity and reverberated with songs of praise, prayers and tributes to two wonderful people. Afterwards in the eastern garden of the Church, following tributes by the a guide, a scout and a printing colleague of Canon Walcott, HE Governor Hollamby unveiled a Plaque which now serves as a permanent reminder of how, in the words of Bishop John, the past impacts on the present and the future.

The action then moved to the seafront. At Donny’s Place and in the Mule Yard families relaxed under umbrellas and in the shade of the trees and as their senses were titillated by the sounds of the live musical entertainment and smells of the Bar-be-que Lunch.

The whole area was alive with family & friends welcoming those that had arrived by the RMS St Helena. At same time the RFA Grey Rover was also anchoring and the officers and crew were preparing for their participation in the celebrations. That day and night, the seafront was the place to be for meeting n’ greeting old and new friends. The spirit of festivity continued until 2am with music and dancing and lots of chatting.

Monday morning saw the arrival of the French naval patrol vessel ‘Albatros’, by then the harbour was looking rather full with three ships and nine yachts in addition to the local boats and yachts.

Whilst the Monday was a normal working day for many, many more were actively involved in preparations for the big day. The finishing touches were being put to the thirteen floats as organisers rushed back and forth buying the last minute materials and making any necessary...
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changes.

After a lot of hard work, the centre stage was ready for decoration and the town started to take shape as the marquee and other shelters were put up under the watchful eye of the live webcam. Somehow – people still found the energy to make their way to Ladder Hill for the Count Down Party with Martin George’s disco and laser lights and the party sounds of ‘Colourblind’. Others celebrated the first mass at a Midnight Service in St James’ Church. After months of planning, the time had arrived, whether we were ready or not, this was it.

For some of us the day started at 5am. By 6.30 we were frantically scanning the heavens - thank God the sky was clear and the sun was shining. From 9am the streets of Jamestown and the Grand Parade were starting to fill up. By the time His Excellency & Mrs Hollamby arrived at 9.55am the contingents were on parade and we were ready to start. At 10am, after a few technical hitches with the microphones, family, friends and colleagues were welcomed by our Chairperson. The address of Governor Hollamby signified the start of the main celebration. He then tirelessly read the many messages of greetings and congratulations received from Her Majesty the Queen and other dignitaries and colleagues. The Ecumenical Service, under the leadership of Bishop John, was a time to give thanks and praise for life and all that it has to offer. After the presentation of prizes and certificates, there was the much awaited opening of the new Museum and the National Trust Offices. Music filled the streets as adults and children competed for the soft toys on the side-shows before gathering in front of the main stage for the Little Miss Q5 competition. Eleven beautiful little girls courageously paraded in front of the judges and after much deliberation Wilhemina Fowler of Sandy Bay was crowned Little Miss Q5. Next it was time for a bit of comedy as two French ‘dames’ and one local ‘lady’ strutted their ‘stuff’. Quincy was spoilt for choice and he eventually decided that he didn’t want to choose so he was a happy chappy and went home with three Mrs Quincy’s. Meanwhile down in the Mule the children and their parents were kept busy with various games and enjoyed delicious goodies at the Pirates Party, organised by the pirates from the Grey Rover. But there was even more excitement brewing as the floats and their dancers gathered at the top of the town to make the long procession through the streets. Lights were switched on, candles were lit, music vibrated and the dancers gyrated down Market Street to the Grand Parade. Close to 3000 people lined the route - a truly magical and rewarding experience for all those who had invested so many days and nights shaping up their interpretations of different monuments in St. Helena’s history. After many hours of hard work of baking and icing, the candles were lit on the beautiful Q5 Birthday Cake and then cut by those persons whose birthday was also on 21 May. Soon after there was a mass migration to the seafront where everyone gathered for - as one onlooker put it: “St Helena’s best firework display ever.”

The RAF Divers, under the guidance of Al Goodwin, put on a fantastic display against the backdrop of Mundens Hill. Ooo’s and aaaaah’s could be heard for the whole of the twenty plus minutes that the explosions reverberated in the valley and the multicoloured stars lit the night sky. The Q5 party then moved back to the Grand Parade and continued with dancing, dancing and more dancing until a little after two in the morning was a truly memorable experience, we trust it was also special for the thousands of people that joined with us. Some travelled thousands of miles and some just a few yards, but to each and every one of you thank you for participating. Special thanks go to our sponsors, the organisers of the floats, the side-

shows, the food stalls, bars, emergency services, events and activities, without you it would not have been possible to offer all that we did. The next day Francis Plain was the venue for the Six-a-side District Football Competition as families and friends made their way to the Plain to cheer the teams on.

That night the Heritage Society enticed many people to High Knoll Fort for a musical extravaganza, and once again, many ignored the rain and enjoyed the party.

The round the Island (RTI) trips on the RMS St. Helena were a success as was the Casino Night. Captain Smith advised that the ship carried 8.5% of the island’s population over the 3 RTI’s. That equates to some 422 folk. When counted with the Casino night patrons the ship was host to 11% of the population during the week. It was a pity that the rain spoiled the dancing on deck but a few did try! Overall, on the casino night, the ship was 40p down! They only ever allow people to play for small stakes as they are afraid that folk may get ‘rather strange’ when large sums are being waged.

Those who didn’t fancy a spot of gambling were entertained in various other venues in Jamestown and the Country districts as many prepared themselves to say farewell to family and friends that were leaving the next day on the RMS. Donny’s Place hosted the Q5 Hi n’ Bye Farewell Party where people were literally singing and dancing in the rain.

Saturday morning fond goodbyes were said and the RAF divers did their usual disappearance with loud bangs and puffs of smoke. Meanwhile up at Ladder Hill Rifle Range, the Rifle Associations Full Bore Shooting Competition was taking place. Gunshots echoed high scores, which were later rewarded by the presentation at the Godfathers Rock Club.

By all accounts, the majority of people had a good time. Thank you everyone on St Helena for making such a great party and a big thank you to all of those people who helped in any way – large or small, every effort was greatly appreciated. However, a special thank you must go to Captain Rodney Young for believing in us, that we could organise something this special, for Encouraging us to start and supporting us throughout.

The next event is the celebration of Environmental Day on 5 June and that will be followed in mid June by events to acknowledge our South African connections. The South African naval vessel SAS Drakensburg will be visiting and the ship’s personnel will be participating in the celebration of yet another aspect of our rich and diverse history.

The Q5 Committee.
St Helena Day Celebrations

On the following pages we have tried to, in pictures and text, encapsulate as much of the Q5 Celebrations as possible. However, it has been impossible to cover every event in the limited space available. Ed

By Johnny Drummond, Shelley Magellan & Emma-Jane Yon

The First event on the Q5 Calender
MISS ST HELENA 2002

Friday evening (17th May) the Q5 week began with the Miss St Helena Contest. The contest was held in the Consulate Hotel’s Ballroom. The Ballroom was packed with over 300 people attending this much-anticipated event. This year 15 young ladies took part, all competing for the title of Miss St Helena 2002. The night began with Alan Nicholls, the compeer for the evening welcoming everyone and introducing the Judges, who were, Mr Michael Stevens, Ms Lynette Bloomfield, Mr Michael Harwood, Miss Elaine Benjamin and Mr Stedson Francis. The contestants then paraded in casual wear. This enabled Judges and audience to familiarise themselves with the girls. During intervals where the contestants changed their style of outfit, surprises and fond memories were revived for the audience. The parade of past Miss May Queen’s, Miss St Helena’s and Runners Up became one of the highlights of the evening. Beginning in 1969 when the very first Miss May Queen Competition was held, to the year 2001. The first group consisted of Winner’s and Runner’s up between 1969 to 1982. (Of course over the

years many have left the island, therefore many were unable to attend) It was very admirable to see that many of the ladies still held on to their title sashes and were wearing them on the night. Derek Richards then asked a series of questions concerning the history of the competition and what prizes were on offer. Replies to the question on prizes, surely shows that we have come a long way in the prize department. According to some, the prizes that were won included a “box of bath cubes,” “A night dress,” “A bracelet, “A bunch of flowers” and a “digital alarm clock.” It just goes to show that the entrants those days did not take part focused on the hope of winning “a big prize,” but above all felt that their participation was more important, this point was firmly stressed by many of the past winners. The 15 contestants took the spotlight once again; all elegantly dressed in their evening wear. Each contestant was asked a question concerning the Island or themselves, such as “Do you think this Island sucks?” and “What do you think would be a perfect Birthday present for St Helena?” After each contestant had answered a question, the Judges retired to decide the 10 finalists, who were later announced to be: Kerry Thomas, Noleen Fowler, Justine Sim, Nola Henry, Delray Yon, Natalie Greentree, Diane Peters, Kerry Peters, Mersha Thomas and Tracy Williams. At this stage of the competition each finalist was asked the following question. “Why do you think you should be crowned Miss St Helena 2002?” When all had completed their answer, they were led off stage by their escorts; these were Lemarc Thomas and Aaron Legg. Another interval proceeded and the past winners from 1982 – 1991, made their way to the stage. The Judges once again retired. During the intermission it was announced that another contestant had just entered the competition, “better late than never.” Yes it was none other than Number “22.” This anonymous beauty has over the past few years felt the need to grace the Miss St Helena Competitions with her exceptional presence and

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stunning looks.
The Judges returned with the names of the five finalists, who were, Diane Peters, Noleen Fowler, Justine Sim, Natalie Greentree and Nola Henry.
The final round tested the girls’ intellect and knowledge on particular subjects. 
Each finalist picked from a series of questions prepared and placed in envelopes by the Judges, this final round would determine on whose head the crown would be placed. Questions such as: “How would you encourage a person to stop smoking?” “St Helena is well known for a low crime rate, how would you keep it that way?” were asked.

PARTY IN THE PARK – LONGWOOD
Saturday 18th saw the second event on the Q5 calendar - the “party in the park” on Longwood Green. A crown off roughly …people stood eagerly awaiting the first performance of the duo “Colour-blind” in the bitter cold air of Texas. But even the coldness in the air didn’t stop everyone from having a good time. The band was welcomed with a few cheers from the crowd and soon there were people dancing to all kinds of music from rock, pop, dance and of course what would a night be without country music at Texas. Martin George provided the entertainment during Colour blind’s “tea breaks”, and people happily danced the night away into the early hours of Sunday morning. The night went down a smooth success to the enjoyment of everyone who attended.

Contributed by Darrin and Sharon Henry
At the same time Saints in the UK celebrated the Quincentenary with a two day party in the park of their own.
St. Helena Day 2002 must go down as one of the most celebrated in our history. Via the internet Saints and friends of St. Helena around the world have been able to keep up to date with the arrangements made back home to mark the occasion. (I know the web cam in Jamestown was very much appreciated) In the UK there were two major events organised to allow Saints based here to celebrate our island’s Quincentenary. There was a dance held in London on Saturday 18 May, and on the same weekend a 2-day party-in-the-park style get-together at Lydiard Park, in Swindon which Sharon and I attended. From midday on Saturday groups started arriving at Lydiard Park, many early arrivals pitching tents for the night. The natural gathering place was at the bar, located under a large marquee that had been hired. A local food vendor was on site throughout serving a variety of hot drinks and fast meals. A jolly, lively atmosphere was maintained throughout the night as old friends met up, swapped stories of life in England and caught up on the news from back home. The main topic for discussion - British passports! A band from Swindon provided dancing music and at one point was joined for a brief guest appearance by Paul Crowie to the delight of all present. The disappointment was...
the weather, which was a bit nippy and breezy -
though, not enough to spoil the party! Celebrations
continued on Sunday. A bouncy castle was inflated,
to the delight of the children and there were also various
games and races organised for the children. A nice
touch was prizes for all the young participants that
took part. The adults were a bit more reserved when
it came to sporting activity. All day a football match
threatened to break out but never quite got past the
warm up stage, however, as always we can rely on
the tug of war - for both men and women! All in all,
party in Lydiard Park, 2002, was a resounding
success, despite the English “summer” weather
conditions! The entire event was coordinated by
Ishmael Stevens and Collin Peters, both in Swindon.
On behalf of all who attended, a big thank you to
them both and their helpers for all their hard work.

He also wrote, edited and
printed the St Helena
Diocesan Magazine and
he trained many young
men in printing.
The service consisted of
hymns and prayers. In
his sermon the Bishop
highlighted the work that
the Walcott’s had done on
the Island and said that it
was their deep
spirituality that had
compelled them to do
what they did and on this
basis he quoted
Archbishop Desmond
Tutu: “It’s my
spirituality that compels
me to speak out.” He
went on to say that the
events of the past can
often be a powerful force
in the present and that as
we remember and
celebrate 500 years of
history we should use the
lessons of the past to
build on the future. He
said that he hopes that the
memorial that was to be
unveiled later would act
as an icon for young
people to show what can
be achieved through the
spirit of God.
Communion was taken
by the majority of the
congregation after which
everyone made their way
to the small garden on the
east side of the porch.
The Scouts gave a
Fanfare before tributes
were made. In speaking for
the Boy Scouts Larry
George said that their
Scout Master was known
to the Troop as ‘Uncle
Sam’ and that he instilled
in the boys teamwork and
self-discipline in
a fair but firm
manner earning
the respect of all
who came into
contact with
him. He was a
keen walker and
couraged the
Scouts to walk
to camp at
Thompson’s
Wood pulling a
trek cart.
He received lord
Baden-Powell in
1936 and in the
absence of the
Bishop he received
the Archbishop of
Cape Town in
1939. He also
accompanied the
Royal Family on
an inspection of the
1st
J a m e s t o w n
Troop who with
the Girl Guides
lined the Wharf
during their visit
in 1947. When
Canon Walcott
retired in 1950
the Scout Troop
was taken over
by Mr H G
Richards.
Tessa Yon of the
Half Tree
Hollow Guides
spoke of the
s t a u n c h
support, which
Ida Walcott gave
to her husband in
his ministry and
also his work.

The organisers

CANON and MRS WALCOTT MEMORIAL
SERVICE
On Sunday, 19th May at 11.00 am St James’ Church
was packed to capacity. The Scouts, Girl Guides,
Brownies and Rainbows marched to the church, a
strong contingent from the Church Lads Brigade were
also present. Governor and Mrs Hollamby were also
present as Chief Scout and Chief Guide. There service,
which was led by Bishop John, was a celebration of
the Feast of Whitsun and especially the lives of Canon
Lawrence Walcott and his wife Winifred whose
unstinting devotion to the young people of St Helena
resulted in the founding of the Scouting and Guiding
movements on the Island. In 1936 Lord and Lady
Baden-Powell visited the Island and spoke highly of
the work that was being done for the youth of the
community. Canon Walcott was also deeply involved
in education and became Superintendent of Schools.

Edwy Clifford - The Printer

Larry George - The Scout

Tessa Yon - The Girl Guide

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amongst young people. She founded the St Helena Guides in 1921 and gave many years of devoted service to the movement. She said that Guides at the time said that Mrs Walcott was a very nice and kindly lady with a very pleasant disposition. Many young people have benefited from the work of this remarkable woman. She concluded by saying that St Helena was one of the few remaining places in the world where women play a prominent role in the management of their communities affairs and felt that Mrs Walcott was instrumental in providing a firm foundation for young people to develop mentally and physically to meet the challenges of an ever changing world. She said that the Guide Association was delighted that a joint memorial had been erected as a tribute to these two very special people. Mr Edwy Clifford paid tribute to Canon Walcott for his dedicated involvement in the printed media. Mr Clifford began his career in printing at the age of 13, when he was still at school and continued after leaving school at 18. The printing was done at the Vicarage and then at Palm Villa after Canon Walcott retired; he stayed with him until his death in 1951. Printing in those days was done the old way with each letter being set by hand. The St Helena Magazine cost 3d and was not just a Church publication, it was the only way the public had a voice; it contained many interesting stories about the Island’s history, sport, comings and goings, birth, deaths and marriage, a correspondence column and of course church news. He closed by saying that Canon Walcott was a very kind man who had a strong influence on generations of young people giving them the courage and confidence to better their lives. Governor Hollamby then gave a short speech in which he was pleased to say that discussions with London on the development of a Youth Project were progressing and that he hoped to have good news before the end of the year. Bishop John then blessed the memorial and said a prayer. Mr Arthur Bizarre then played the Last Post and the Governor formally unveiled the memorial which bears a bronze coloured relief medallion portrait of Canon Walcott and an engraved black granite tablet commemorating Canon and Mrs Walcott. Certificates were then presented to several young people who had successfully completed a course in Elementary Canoeing run by Michael Stevens. The base and column were laid and constructed by Richard Johns and Christo Bennett, Masonry Apprentices at Prince Andrew School under the supervision of their instructor Mr Colin Phillips. In the afternoon a Bar-b-que lunch was served in the Mule Yard for the enjoyment of all who attended.

MUSICAL SERENADE – MULE YARD
The bar-b-que was well attended and roughly 300 people attended the Musical Serenade that evening. Musical entertainment was provided by Sidonio and “Colour-Blind”. It was clear by the amount of people taking to the dance floor that everyone enjoyed themselves. Saints in their usual fashion held up the bar for most of the night and by the stroke of 12 there wasn’t an unhappy person in the Mule Yard.

COUNT DOWN PARTY – LADDER HILL FORT
Yet another night of intense partying and we were once again entertained by Colour Blind and the ever-popular Martin George. Saints along with a few sailors danced the night away, only stopping briefly at midnight to wish St Helena a Happy 500th Birthday. The mood was happy, happy, happy as families and friends celebrated together. At the same time at St James Church a Midnight Mass was being held which an estimated 120 people attended. The Service led by Bishop John, the Vicar of the Grey Rover and Father Fred was said by those who attended to be “very nice and very special”. The service stopped at midnight to wish the Island happy birthday. Before continuing the service the Bishop said, “Congratulations! We are now British citizens!” at which everyone greeted the person next to them after which the service continued.

James Ward - one of the oldest scouts in front of the Walcott Memorial

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GRAND OPENING OF THE MUSEUM - 21 MAY 2002

AT 11.30 on Tuesday 21st May the long awaited opening of what has come to be known as the ‘new’ museum took place. Several hundred people crowded into the narrow roadway from the Grand Parade to Narra Backs. Most people will remember the building as the Old Power House, which was made offered to the St Helena Heritage Society in 1996 by the St Helena Government as the location of a museum to house the rich and varied historical heritage of the Island. The building required substantial renovation including a completely new roof. Once the Society had decided to accept the power House offer Trustees were appointed and the Friends of St Helena in the UK opened an Appeal on behalf of the Museum Project. Mr Simon Muirhead, a retired museum designer came to the island in 1998 to advise the Society on the adaptation of the building to a museum including internal arrangements. Various avenues were explored in an effort to raise funds to carry the project forward however the initial response was poorer than hoped. The Old Power House was eventually cleared and Mr Tommy Dunn was appointed Project Manager. In 2000 SHG offered £43,000 however this was returned when FCO gave the sum of £160,000 for the Museum, Archive and Library project, £50,000 of which would go to the museum. The UNDP also allocated a further £100,000 to the project and a contractor was engaged to convert the building. Barry Zavanro and Gregory Phillips were engaged to undertake restoration training under the UNDP. Work continued in earnest and soon the building both inside and out began to take on a more impressive appearance growing into something like a museum. A new contractor was engaged to undertake the interior woodwork and electrical work. In 2001 Colin Dawes visited the Island to advise on the outfitting of the museum. In 2002 SHG provided a further £30,000 to enable the completion of the project and the Friends of St Helena provided a substantial quantity of material to outfit the museum. Miss Sarah Holland, a museum studies graduate arrived to take on the task of arranging the displays and preparing the museum for opening. The Manifold Trust also gave a substantial donation. In his opening address Mr Alan Nicholls, the Chairman of the Heritage Society welcomed everyone and gave a comprehensive outline of the museum project and all those who were involved in bringing it to this auspicious moment. He particularly thanked the Friends of St Helena, St Helena Government, FCO, UNDP and the dedicated committee and workers who had laboured hard and long to make the opening a success. He paid special tribute to Tommy Dunn the Project Manager for his tireless devotion to the project and also to Sarah Holland for gathering all the display work together with the assistance of Liz Young. The list of thanks was a lengthy. He then invited Mr Muir Smith, Chairman of the Friends of St Helena to say a few words. Muir said that this was a very happy day for him personally but most especially for the Friends of St Helena in the UK. He said that the opening of the museum was not the end of this project – it was only the beginning. He said that he felt sure that once people had seen inside the magnificent building they would be inspired to become contributors to the development of our living heritage and its maintenance for future generations. Mr Robert Johnston, a well-known philatelist from Bristol then presented the Society with a newly published book of hitherto...
ST. HELENA FISHERMENS ASSOCIATION

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

VENUE – PILLING MIDDLE SCHOOL
DATE – 1 JUNE 2002
TIME – 9.30 A.M.

ALL MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO ATTEND.

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For Sale

A Ford Transit 15-passenger bus No. 1295, engine and gearbox recently overhauled and a new exhaust just fitted. This vehicle is licensed until 23 August 2002. Offers under £2,500 will not be considered. Viewing by appointment - Tel: 2430. Offers in writing should reach the Fisheries Corporation General Manager by no later than 3 June 2002.

VACANCIES AT THE POST OFFICE

Senior Clerk Postal
A vacancy exists in the Post Office for a Senior Clerk to work in the Postal Section. The duties of this post may vary but basically includes the following:
- Receive all postal items for local and international despatch.
- Sale of stamps, coins, maps etc.,
- Calculate and receive duty and tax on postal items.
- Check all incoming mail with documents accordance with UPU regulations.
- Ensure that the make up of mails for despatch complies with UPU regulations.
- Maintain statistics for all mail and private post boxes.
- Receive monies from the public in respect of water and electricity accounts.
Salary is at Grade Level 3 depending on experience. However the successful applicant may be required to train at grade level 2 in the first instance. Interested persons can contact the Executive Officer on Tel. No. 2652 for further details concerning the post.
Application forms, available from the Post Office and Personnel Departments, should be submitted through Heads of Department where applicable, to the Postmistress by Wednesday 12th June.

Youth Trainee
The Post Office would also like to recruit a youth trainee. For further details, please contact the Executive Officer in person or on Telephone No 2652. Applications in the applicants own hand writing should be submitted to the Postmistress by Wednesday 12 June.

VACANCIES AT OCS

Applications are invited for the post of Clerk and also a Temporary Clerk in the Office of the Chief Secretary.
For further information, please contact Mrs Sandra Sim, Senior Executive Officer on telephone number 2470.
Applications should be sent to the Deputy Secretary, The Castle by Tuesday, 11 June 2002.

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Applications are invited to fill the unestablished post of Telephonist/Receptionist in the Office of the Chief Secretary. Additional duties will include tea making and a small amount of clerical work. Interested persons can contact Mr Mark Yon, Executive Office for further details of the post.
Applications should be submitted to the Deputy Secretary, The Castle by Tuesday, 04 June 2002.
Computers for Sale
(Available End of June)

Athlon 1.3 Thunderbird (266 FSB)
128Mb Ram (133)
17” Monitor
CD Writer/DVD Player
(Back up your data & Record your own CD’s)
56K Modem (Internet Ready)
Speakers, Keyboard & Mouse included
Delivered and Set up in your own home.
£799
(Printers & Scanners available separately)
Call Paul Hickling (4210) for more info.

COMING SOON!

The “Official Q5 Celebrations Video.
The film will cover all of the Official Q5 Events
Including the Q5 Celebrations on 21st May 2002.
This Video is currently being Produced and will be
Available in the next Month or so, Priced at £15.
Please Call Paul Hickling on Tel: 4210 to place
your order (E-mail: paul.sally@helanta.sh)
**Birthday Greetings**

to Jim, David and Bernice from the Girls at Ferndale and all at Johants.

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16 litre pesticide backpack sprayer
900mm/36” wide spring mattress
5 in 1 activity childs swing and slide
Filter to fit Kenwood water filter jugs
Diamond tip 230mm masonry cutting blade
Also orders for building materials, treated pine, pine flooring, panelling, beech flooring, paints (oil and waterbased), aluminium ladders, doors, windows, blinds, stainless steel exhaust systems, car parts etc.
Contact Chris on 3163 after 5pm

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**Residents of Levelwood and Sandy Bay**

please note that the following arrangements have been made for clinics because of the Public Holidays on Monday 3 June and Monday 17 June. Clinics will be held in Levelwood and Sandy Bay on Monday 27 May, Monday 10 June and Monday 24 June. Clinics at Levelwood will begin at 10.30am and Sandy Bay at 2pm on these dates. Appointments can be made in the usual way.

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**ART & CRAFT ASSOCIATION**

**ART & CRAFT CENTRE**

**JAMESTOWN**

The multi-artist painting commemorating the Quincentenary of the discovery of St. Helena needs completing. You are invited to visit the Art and Craft Centre (under the Consulate) on Saturday morning between 10am and 1 pm. No skill is required, just a little imagination. Enjoy yourself, add something to the painting and become part of the Quincentenary history. The finished painting will be presented to the St. Helena National Trust.

For further information, phone Danny on 3502 or Bobby on 4746

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**Miles Apart**

**Do You Have Books You Would Like to Convert into Cash?**

I am currently visiting the island until June 14th. We supply books on St Helena and the South Atlantic islands to customers worldwide. If you have any books, prints, postcards or documents relating to either St Helena or other islands which you would like to sell please give me a ring on 4759. I would be happy to visit you and to make you an offer. If you are interested in buying from us please let me know and I can place you on our mailing list. You can also see our current list on www.sthelena.se

Ian Mathieson, Woodlands.

imathieson2000@yahoo.co.uk

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**For Sale by Tender**

is

a Ford Transit, 2 litre petrol, with registration number 1030,

the former “Radio St Helena Bus”.

For further information and viewing call

Tony Leo, Station Manager, on telephone number 4542. Sealed offers should be submitted to:

The Chairman

St Helena News Media Board

Broadway House

Jamestown

no later than Friday 7 June.

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**THANKS**

Mr. & Mrs William Yon and Family of Half Tree Hollow would like to express their sincere thanks to Doctors, Amin, Hossain and Johnny for their professional care and attention that was given to their son, Gary, during his recent illness. A special thank you is also extended to the nursing staff of the general hospital and to family and friends who wished Gary well during his stay in hospital. May god bless you all.

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**CAN YOU RISE TO THE CHALLENGE?**

Applications are invited from suitably experienced persons for the post of **Counterpart to the Social Work Manager** in the Social Services Division of the Public Health Department. Following training, the Counterpart will assume responsibility for the Division’s child protection, elderly, crisis intervention, day-care, probation and community services.

The post is graded at Level 7 commencing at £6684 per annum, rising to Level 8 following satisfactory completion of overseas training and qualifications in social work management.

- At least 5 years experience of helping others in a professional management role;
- A strong awareness of social issues and ability to manage the diverse range of services provided;
- Proven leadership and teamwork skills;
- Interested persons are invited to contact Dougie Paterson, Social Work Manager (Tel: 2713) or Ivy Ellick, Chief Administrative Health and Social Services Officer (Tel: 2500) for an informal discussion about the post. All enquiries will be in strictest confidence. Application forms and full job description are available from the Personnel Department. Applications should be submitted, through Heads of Department, where applicable, to the Secretary, Public Service Commission by 6 June 2002.
unpublished stamps from HM the Queens personal collection.

Governor Hollamby gave a short address in which he said that this was a proud moment for the Island and that the opening was a significant event in the Quincentennial celebrations and the museum would be a major asset for future generations and visitors alike.

The museum doors were opened and the Governor cut the ribbon officially declaring the St Helena Museum open. HE and Mrs Hollamby signed the Visitors Book and proceeded on a tour of the exhibits. The crowd outside entered enthusiastically and both floors were soon filled with inquisitive visitors of all ages. The small Museum Shop began to sell items almost immediately. By the end of the day at least 600 people had signed the book though a spokesman for the Society said that a great many people had visited without signing. Comments from the public were verged on the ecstatic most said that they had not expected the museum to be so wonderful and educational; others said that the visit had put their heritage in perspective and they felt more like making a positive contribution to the Museum to keep it alive.

ST HELENA NATIONAL TRUST OFFICIALLY LAUNCHED - 21 MAY 2002

Almost simultaneously in London a reception was being held to mark St Helena’s Quincentenary and the launch of the St Helena National Trust. The function, which was organised by Mrs Kedell Wobys, our UK Representative, took place at the Durbar Court of the FCO. HRH The Duke of York, Baroness Amos and other invited dignitaries including Mr John Newman OBE, Speaker of the St Helena Legislative Council who read a message from HE Governor Hollamby. The Duke of York gave an address and also read the message from HM The Queen. Mr Martin Drury spoke about the National Trust and urged people to join.

Guests included St Helenians serving with the 1st Royal Irish Regiment who were presented to the Duke of York who is their Colonel-in-Chief. There were also representatives from the St Helena Association, Friends of St Helena, the Citizenship Commission, Ex-Servicemen, Students, MPs’ Former Governors and representatives from the embassies of countries with which St Helena has had links over the years.
“Served on a Plate”

On Monday morning (20th May) at 10am, St Helena received a priceless gift from the RAF dive team during their expedition to the Island, whilst diving on the White Lion wreck. This artifact was discovered and then brought to the surface. A hand painted, porcelain, blue glazed plate. This plate is from the Ming Dynasty, (The Chinese Imperial Dynasty that was founded in 1368) – and could be worth thousands. The plate was presented to Mr Alan Nicholls, Chairman of the Heritage Society, who thanked the team on behalf of the Island.

It is now being stored in fresh water in order to leach any salts from its surface. It is hoped that soon this grand object will take pride of place in our Museum.

Mr Hensil Obey, General Manager of Cable & Wireless then made a presentation to the RAF divers on behalf of C&W. An underwater communications device consisting of a GPS (Global Positioning System) and Sonar. This piece of equipment will allow divers to pinpoint an object’s exact location when being underwater.

According to Paul Marshall – the Project Leader “this device will surely prove to be beneficial and will certainly be used to the best of our ability.”

TRIP AROUND THE ISLAND – WED 22ND

A total of over 500 people took to the seas onboard the good ole RMS for around the island trip. All three trips on Monday 20th, Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd were a great success. As we could not attend all three trips we can only comment on Wednesday’s trip. Captain Smith provided the commentary on the various areas of the island, as we sailed majestically past; Island maps were on sale for the purpose of pinpointing the locations. And for an extra fee of 50p could be signed by Smitty himself. The trip lasted for approximately two and half hours.

MUSICAL EXTRA V AGANZA - HIGN KNOLL

The musical extravaganza ticked of on Wednesday evening to a “slow” and dreary start. With a cold and wet night ahead of them people came in by the busloads and at times the road to the fort was “chuck-a-block”. Although a lot of people, disheartened by the weather left early, the night went on and more and more stayed to endure the bitter winds and “buckets of rain”. The event lasted until 4 in the morning and was attended by some 600 to 700 people. The entertainment was delayed in starting due to technical problems but once up and running made for a “fun” night. Groups Colour-Blind, Darin Hopkins band, Hims and Hers (a.k.a Gay Dembow and Dentist Terry) entertained the crowds and of course Martin George provided his sounds for dancing. Ivy Ellick, the organiser for the event on behalf of the heritage Society said that although at times there was a mix up with the bands “Martin admirably stepped in and came to the rescue”
Donny's Place

Friday Disco - Club Hall

Saturday Night
Sid's Disco
Country Music
Pool & Video Games On Deck

Sunday
The Return Of The Ole' Vinyl
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Music For Dancing
On The Technics Turntables

Movies Wednesday Night

Behind Enemy Lines
An Adrenaline - Pumping Action Ride
Starring Gene Hackman Owen Wilson

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Silver Hill

Saturday Night
Mixed music by Purse Bag

Sunday Night
Disco by Bert Leo

Colin's Bar
Sandy Bay

Enjoy a Country Night out at Sandy Bay
Bar this Saturday Night. Music by Bert Leo.

Dress for the part! Bring your own horse!

GODFATHER's
ROCK CLUB

Friday Night
Disco by Bert Leo

Sunday
Live Music by Tony Brooks and Colin Robinson.
Peggy O'Neil's skittles match and lunch by
order. Telephone Melvin on number 3059

By Special Request
Peggy's Country and Western Night on
Friday 5 June, 8 - late at Godfather's Rock
Club. Music by King George. Proceeds to
Harford Middle School.
Country & Western outfit
optional. Cash prizes for
best efforts.
All Are Welcome

Melvin Benjamin would like to thank everyone
who helped to support the 24-hour bonanza at Francis
Plain on the 30 - 31 March. Due to bad weather, the
response was very poor. Money collected was £296.00.
Various expenses amount to £168.00. This includes
£100.00 to the DJ. £25 for the hire of the Karaoke machine.
The Balance of £168.00 was donated to Ageways and the
St Helena Disabled Society.

Pub Paradise

Saturday Night
Music by C-Bird, Robert
and Colin interspersed
with Disco by Paul George.

Sunday
Open from 1pm.
Disco in the evening by
Purse Bag until late.

Bingo on Tuesday Night
St Helena Day Celebrations
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DOIN’ THE Q5 BOOGIE
Last Saturday afternoon approximately 160 of our older citizens gathered at the Jamestown Community Centre for a tea party and dance to celebrate the Q5. The guests are all members of the Day Care Centres who usually come together on a monthly basis in their district to take part in activities, have a cup of tea and a chat. Saturday’s event was slightly different a special party had been laid on by the Social Services Division all guests were asked to bring was a mug. Surprise, surprise – they brought much more! A splendid tea was laid on, which was helped along by a generous donation of £400 from an organisation overseas. An excellent live band provided music, which could be heard at quite some distance; Johnny Carter provided vocals and became the Mick Jagger of the South Atlantic Ocean for the afternoon. No sooner had the first string been strummed, the first cymbal struck and the first lyric sung than there was a rustling of chairs followed by a veritable stampede as ladies elbowed each other aside to get to the dance floor. A few of the guests were also persuaded to make like Ivor Novello but it was the ladies who set the pace throughout. I have never seen so much ankle in one afternoon! HE Governor and Mrs Hollamby and Bishop John were invited and the Governor was not backward in coming forward to show off his dancing prowess; his ticket was marked for pretty much of the afternoon and I am sure I saw his shoes smoking on at least on occasion! There was no let up and Johnny and his merry band kept the tunes coming until the afternoon sadly had to end. The guests and their friends and family reluctantly began leaving for their transport home but not without a protest, one lady was seen clinging on to a door handle crying out for another turn round the floor. A jolly good time was had by all present and by the end the organisers and band members were exhausted trying to keep up with the demand. Talk about energy! If we could tap some of the energy contained in these deceptive little powerhouses we’d never have another electricity outage!

You did your District proud.
The Chairman of the Blue Hill Community Association, on behalf of the Q5 Celebrations, would like to thank all those Volunteers who gave so much of their time in the construction of the District Float - “FISHING FROM THE ROCKS”
To the construction team - Ronald, Wilson, Chris, Earl, Rodney, Rusty Cyril, Di, Kerry, Dion, Gina and Harold. To the proprietor of Moons Tavern for using the premises to Construct the Float and the use of his van for conveying the Float and to Ruth, Gordon, Cecily, Gillian Stroud, Philip and Barry, Gillian Francis, Louisa, Maria and Megan, Harold Francis and Peter Crowie for the manufacture of the birds, fish and gunny bag boots. Thanks also to those who loaned bottle lanterns and tilley lamps and to the fishermen and ladies who clambered down the rocks on St Helena night.
Rusty, Sammy, Florrie, Ruth, Di, Geoff, Jill Francis and Girls, Jill Stroud and boys, Alex Williams, Coral and Cecily. You did your District proud.
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Applications are invited to fill the post of **Cook/Housekeeper at Plantation House**. Interested persons can contact Mr Nicholas Crowie, Comptroller on Telephone No 4453 for further information regarding the post. Applications should be submitted to the Deputy Secretary, The Castle by Wednesday, 5 June 2002.

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**Vacancies exist in the Public Health and Social Services Department for Staff Nurses.** Further information can be obtained from the Senior Nursing Officer on telephone number 2262 or 2500, or check the Public Notice dated 28th May. Application forms, which are available from the Personnel and Public Health and Social Services Departments should be completed and submitted to the Chief Administrative Health and Social Services Officer by Friday, 14th June.

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**Bobby Robertson** will be at Longwood on Saturday visiting Deadwood, Longwood Rd, Longwood Hangings and the Green. If you have need of anything or have any concerns then give Bobby a ring on 4746 or ring Brian on 4452 before 8.30 on Saturday morning.

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**For Sale by Tender**
is a Volkswagen City Golf 1300cc formerly registered as vehicle number 788. This vehicle has been damaged as a result of a road traffic accident. Persons interested in viewing the vehicle should, in the first instance, contact Solomon’s Insurance Department on telephone number 2860. Offers, in the region of £350, should be made in writing to the Insurance Manager and placed in the Tender Box at Solomon’s Office by not later than Thursday 6th June.

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**Eurest Defence Services, Ascension Island.** requires an Assistant Chef to work in the combined kitchen at Travellers Hill. Applicants must have experience in a kitchen environment. A Basic Food Hygiene Certificate is preferred, however training will be given. The successful applicant will be required to work 54 hours (6 shifts) per week. The salary for the post is £6,346.08 per annum. For further information, interested persons may e-mail Mrs Pauline Thorsby at the following address: Eurest.Defence@atlantis.co.ac CV’s to the Employment Office by 4pm on Wednesday 5 June 2002.

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**Contractors interested in the erection of a Steel Crash Barrier** at Half Tree Hollow, Nr Three Tanks are invited to apply for inclusion on a select list of tenderers to bid for the work. The contract will be awarded on the ICE Conditions of Contract (Minor Works 2nd Edition) with the normal Public Works & Services Departments amendments. Applications are to be submitted.

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A ‘**MUSICAL GREEN CONCERT**’ featuring environmental based songs, some old, some familiar and some original will be held at the **Leisure Park from 8pm**.

Performers include King George, Jason Yon, Barry & the Bandwagon, Elaine Benjamin, Ralph Peters & family, The Singspirationals and many more. There will also be a sing-along with a difference. Entrance will be free but donations will be taken at the end of the evening.

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**For Sale**
is a Yamaha keyboard in excellent condition. Interested persons can telephone number 4562.

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**BOOKS** - hardcover - condition good as new. Authors include Stephen King, John Jakes, John Grisham, Sidney Sheldon, Sandra Brown, Maeve Binchy and others. Also available are cook books, including vegetarian. Prices range from £2.50 to £5. **AMERICAN PRE-RECORDED VIDEO TAPES** - Action, Drama, Comedy and others. Price-£3 each. Interested persons can contact Michael or Vilma Clingham on telephone 3128.

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A vacancy exists in the Public Health and Social Services Department for an **Assistant Physiotherapist**. Further information can be obtained from Ms Marianne Caswell, Physiotherapist on telephone number 2500 or the Senior Nursing Officer on telephone number 2262 or 2500, or check the Public Notice dated 28th May. Application forms, which are available from the Personnel and Public Health and Social Services Departments should be completed and submitted to the Chief Administrative Health and Social Services Officer by Friday, 14th June.
Saturday 25 May saw the finalisation of this year’s fullbore competition, when six first class teams entered these competitions at the Ladder Hill Rifle Range. Two teams from Half Tree Hollow, two from Jamestown and one each from Sandy Bay and the Police. The day started with some small showers of rain, but this did not hinder the competitors in any way. The atmosphere was quite spirited amongst the teams, although it was rather disappointing with what must surely be the lowest number of teams to participate in the annual competitions.

Even the team scores were somewhat lower than usual, but there were certainly some very high individual scores.

Colin Knipe (of the Police Team) won the Highest Individual Tankard for the second year running which must surely have been a great tribute to his shooting skills.

Results were as follows:

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JUNE’S NIGHT SKY

May saw the rare line-up of all five naked-eye planets in the western evening sky. Now, Mercury has become a morning ‘star’ and Saturn is lost in the Sun’s glare, which leaves only Venus, Jupiter and Mars. On 1st June Venus and Jupiter will stand side by side directly below Castor and Pollux, the two brightest stars in Gemini the Twins, but the planets will be closest on 3rd June. This pairing is, of course, illusory, as Venus lies inside the Earth’s orbit, whilst Jupiter lies far across the solar system. They only appear close together in the night sky because of the line of sight from our earthly vantage point. Venus is fairly close at a distance of some 120 million miles whilst Jupiter is nearly five times as distant at some 560 million miles.

June is, of course, the month of the winter solstice, which occurs on the 21st, marking the shortest day of the year for us, and the beginning of six months of miserable winter weather. The Sun will not be overhead until November, so make the most of the remaining sunshine.

Stedson George
‘Cherish our Past, Value the Future’

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED
for the position of

DIRECTOR OF THE ST HELENA NATIONAL TRUST

The St Helena National Trust is an independent ‘not-for-profit’ organisation, launched on the 21st May 2002 with the following purposes: to promote the appreciation, protections and enhancement of St Helena’s unique environmental and cultural heritage; to acquire and hold in perpetuity land of natural beauty or buildings and objects of historic and cultural interest for the benefit of people today and of future generations; to give the people of St Helena a stake in the future of their unique environmental and cultural heritage and to provide opportunities for enjoyment, education, recreation and spiritual refreshment.

Established by Ordinance it unites in one organisation the Heritage Society, the St Helena Nature Conservation Group, the Dive Club, the Art and Crafts Association, the Farmer’s Association, the Fishermen’s Association and the Tourism Association.

JOB DESCRIPTION

HOURS OF WORK: a 35 hour working week

SALARY: £6,500–£8,000 depending on experience

RESPONSIBLE TO: The President, on behalf of the Trust Council

SUMMARY OF JOB PURPOSE:
To conduct the business of the Trust Council on a day-to-day basis through the development, co-ordination and implementation of policies and actions which support the vision and long-term direction of the National Trust on Saint Helena.

MAIN DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:
• Working closely with the Officers of the Trust, advise on matters of policy development and assist the Trust Council in developing its goals and objectives into practical actions which result in tangible outcomes.
• Identify and pursue sources of funding, including developing constructive liaison with, and lobbying overseas funding organisations.
• Develop a 3-year Business Plan and financial framework and manage budgets to meet audit requirements.
• Maintain a Register of Members of the National Trust.
• Co-ordinate and manage the overall structure of meetings of the Trust Council and its sub-committees.
• Attend meetings of the Trust Council, its Executive and sub-committees as required.
• Establish and maintain a National Heritage Register.
• Manage the communications strategy, develop publicity material and commission saleable merchandise.
• manage the 4 inaugural projects agreed by the Trust Council.

Application together with a CV for the post of Director should be sent to:
The President of the St Helena National Trust, Mr Gilbert Yon
By post to: Or by email to: sth.nattrust@helanta.sh
St Helena National Trust
Broadway House, Jamestown
St Helena Island, South Atlantic Ocean, STHL 1ZZ
The closing date to receive applications is: Friday 12th July.