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GREETING FROM AURIGNY CEO NICO BEZUIDENHOUT

Welcome to our summer edition and thank you for supporting Guernsey's very own airline. You may well be reading this on one of our many direct summer destination flights. We have been delighted to offer these useful connections for people living in our island base to be able to reach the sun with minimum effort.

The Mediterranean links are a direct result of us listening to you, our customers. We put you at the heart of our operation and the whole team works hard to ensure that your experience with Aurigny is a good one.

We were delighted to have recently been ranked fifth best short haul economy airline by influential organisation Which? We were ahead of providers including British Airways, Vueling, Tui and Lufthansa, but are determined to do even better.

As we face the halfway mark in 2023, it is clear that the business environment continues to be a challenging one - as is life at home for the many people having to meet demands of rising bills and ongoing inflation. We are running Aurigny as effectively and efficiently as we possibly can and have a focus on ensuring that fares are kept at the most reasonable level possible, while still dealing with the impact of all of those outside influences.

While our outbound network from Guernsey is a major focus, bringing passengers to our island to help boost our economy and bring with that all of the associated benefits is also front of mind. We are offering more UK connections than ever and our state-of-

the-art ATR aircraft provide those services with impressive sustainability and efficiency credentials. We regularly engage with progressive organisations working to make aviation as environmentally friendly as it can be and keep up with latest developments.

On a community level, Aurigny sits at the heart of Bailiwick life. We are involved in helping to bring Island Games teams here this summer, having arranged some special charter flights, and we helped groups such as the Chelsea Pensioners attend the important Liberation Day anniversary events last month by sponsoring their travel to the island. Initiatives lined up will see many local schoolchildren benefitting from our CSR programme, which reaches all island schools.

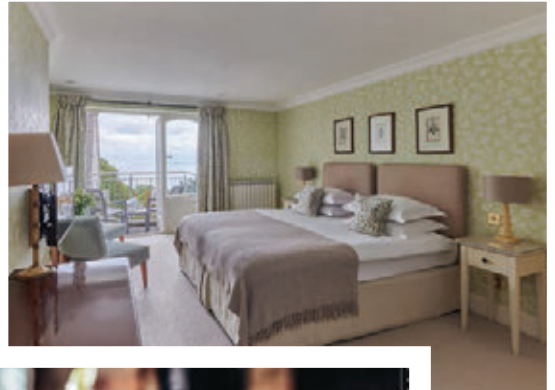
At our core, though, is our commitment to you! When I joined Aurigny, I openly stated my determination to transform the airline from loss making to an effective business and we are achieving that through constant evaluation of what we do and how we do it. You, the customer, are helping to make that possible by using Guernsey's very own airline.

We have exciting plans lined up, including some fantastic direct city destinations in October and November, together with longer term initiatives which we hope to unveil later in the year. Keep supporting us folks - it's going to be an exciting journey!

Nico



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We want to see your photos, perhaps a colourful sunset at 12,000 feet, a runway panoramic or an onboard abstract. Upload your best photo to any social media platform and tag using #Aurigny. It could be featured in the next issue of En Voyage. Please remember to make sure your device is switched to the flight safe mode for taxi, take-off and landing, and upload at a suitable time.



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MUCH MORE TO MALAGA THAN THE COSTAS

AURIGNY IS OFFERING DIRECT MALAGA FLIGHTS THIS SUMMER, WITH FARES FROM JUST £169

Think you know Malaga? Picturing the classic Costa view of beaches and cafes? Well, you're partly right because the beaches are sensational but if you think that is all that this Andalusian delight has to offer, think again!

The list of reasons to visit is long. Malaga offers stunning landscapes, delicious cuisine, plenty of history, culture and art, and has a historic old town that should top the list of many destinations.

With its ideal location in the south of Spain, Malaga is one of the most popular destinations on Costas and is also the biggest travel hub for southern Spain explorations. It has been enchanting people since the 14th century, when it was described as 'one of the most beautiful towns of Andalusia, uniting the conveniences of both sea and land and abundantly supplied with foodstuffs and fruits'. It was also acclaimed for its beautiful pottery and all of that still hold all these centuries later.

Transporting you straight to the delights of the Costa del Sol's

beautiful beaches might be a prime reason for some to visit but it is also worth remembering that there are a whole host of other opportunities to explore. The town is one of the oldest continuously inhabited cities in Western Europe and the geography of the surrounding area includes mountains which have been protected as a national park for more than 30 years.

While hiking and out-of-town exploration are options, those seeking an easy way to see interesting sights on foot can stroll around the compact old town. Just by walking around, there are many pretty places to discover, with the Cathedral as one of its main landmarks, across to Castillo Gibralfaro on one side and the river Guadalmedina on the other.

WAYS TO ENJOY THE OLD TOWN

If you can, head there for an early coffee before the world wakes up and enjoy the beautiful morning light. Grab a traditional Spanish breakfast, or opt for the sweet alternative of churros and hot chocolate and watch the city come to life.

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CLOCKWISE FROM BOTTOM LEFT: MALAGA CATHEDRAL; FRESH FRUIT AT ATARAZANAS MARKET; ALCAZABA FORTRESS AND ROMAN THEATRE; CALLE MARQUES DE LARIOS; STATUE OF PABLO PICASSO. ALL IMAGES ©ISTOCKPHOTO.

Enjoy a drink at Plaza del Obispo directly opposite the cathedral. It offers some of the best views and you will also find the episcopal palace and a small fountain.

Visit Malaga Cathedral

The stunning Renaissance building has dominated the area since 1528, when it was built on the site of a former mosque. It is missing one of its towers, earning it the name La Manquita, which means one armed woman. (Check on its website for tickets and tours of the rooftop which are especially spectacular.)

Wander Through Plaza de la Constitución

This central square is the setting for many of Malaga's festivities and festivals. It also links with one of the most famous streets in the city – Calle de Larios. The square is fringed by some of the town's most spectacular buildings.

Shopping at Calle Marques de Larios

This is the main shopping street in Malaga and known to be one of the most expensive places in Spain to own a property. Stroll past its grandeur and absorb the atmosphere while enjoying a cold drink or coffee.

Visit the Picasso Museum

This superbly organised museum is worth a visit even if you are not a huge Picasso fan. In a spectacular setting, it is the perfect place to loiter on a hot day.

Visit The Alcazaba

This ancient fortress dominates the area and dates back to the 11th century. It was built under Muslim rule and, if you've visited the Alhambra before, you will notice some similarities in the architectural features displayed at the main palatial section of the fortress. Its strategic position as a fort also means the views are spectacular.

Check Out The Roman Theater

Just below the Alcazaba is an impressive Roman theatre, dating back to the 1st century BC. It is superbly preserved, with a stage and seating that has survived the centuries.

Visit the Atarazanas Food Market

Foodies in search of an authentic atmosphere will love the buzz of this market. The building itself is beautiful and historic and it is packed with stalls selling fabulous fresh produce. It also contains a number of tapas bars where you can enjoy Andalusia's traditional snacks.

Arab Baths Hamman Al Andalus

Revive yourself after a day spent exploring with a visit to the traditional hammer baths. Al Andalus is in the old town and offers a range of traditional massages and treatments, ranging from relaxing to invigorating.

THINGS TO DO IN MALAGA

Take a sunset catamaran trip. Sit back on the (usually) glassy calm waters, enjoy a glass of local cava and soak up the views of the town and beaches. Sunsets in Malaga are often spectacular.

Visit one of the many flamenco shows. There are a number of places to watch a performance with dinner but if you want just the dance experience without food or drink, try Tablao Alegria.

Sign up for a guided walk. One option is 'The King's Pathway', offering breathtaking views of El Chorro Gorge.

Malaga has an enormous number of private hire trips to the surrounding area and there is also an impressive bus or coach offer. Consider a trip to Ronda for the day.

As a place of global renown, Alhambra Palace is within reach from Malaga. Spend the day exploring this iconic site, renowned as one of the most beautiful Arab palaces. The scale of it requires at least half a day to see it all.

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ABOVE: ALDERNEY WEEK. RIGHT: FISH & CHIPS OVERLOOKING BRAYE BAY. BELOW: ENJOYING AN ICE CREAM.



SUMMERTIME IN ALDERNEY

Summer in Alderney begins in June, with the beautiful beaches, stunning nature trails and streets of St Anne all bursting with life. You'll be hard pushed to think of anywhere better to be!

The air is warm and families head to the beach for idyllic days of lounging on the sand, soaking up the sun and building sandcastles.

Over the hum of children's laughter, seabirds and waves, everyone keeps an ear out for the distinctive music of the ice cream van.

Braye Harbour is especially busy at this time of year, with boats arriving from France, Britain, Holland and the rest of the Bailiwick. The blend of nationalities adding to the island's vibrancy.

Lunchtime brings with it one of the hardest choices you'll have to make during your stay on



Alderney. Do you eat a plate of our expertly cooked local produce in one of the island's picturesque pub gardens, dine out with stunning views of the sea, or instead pick up some freshly baked goods from one of the shops, market or 'hedge veg' stalls for an al fresco feast at a picnic table?

Alderney Week, in August, is one of the biggest festivals in the Channel Islands and needs little introduction. A summer staple of 70 plus years it brings an explosion of colourful floats, competitions, parades, shows and new and familiar faces to the island.

Although this is probably the biggest and best known of the Island's festivals there are many other treats to enjoy during the summer months. These include a five-day Chamber Music Festival, which draws some of the world's best young musical talent to the island, along with the annual Alderney Wildlife Festival.

PLACES TO ENJOY FISH & CHIPS ON ALDERNEY

Braye Chippy

If you are looking for classic fish and chips at the beach, then Braye Chippy near the inner harbour is the perfect spot. Open all year round and with plenty of seating both inside and out, you can enjoy an uninterrupted view of the sunset.

Braye Beach Hotel

With arguably one of the best views over Braye Bay, the menu offers a traditional British classic fish and chip dish at lunch or dinner, served in either the Brassiere, Beach Bar or out on the Terrace.

The Marais Hall Pub

Situated in the oldest part of historic St Anne, The Marais Hall combines old-world charm with modern amenities, and has a reputation for high standard food with various fish and seafood specials, alongside classic pub dishes, which include a really good plate of fish and chips.

The Georgian House

The Georgian House is a much-loved Alderney institution situated in the heart of St Anne and is a popular place for customers, especially in the summer months with its sun-trapped courtyard. Their menu is filled with a mix of 'traditional British pub' and European style food, with a seafood influence, including the British classic.



OUR FLEET

Aurigny currently has a fleet of six aircraft serving the network.

We introduced our flagship Jet, an Embraer 195, in July 2014 to service the Guernsey-Gatwick route. The twinjet aircraft is the largest aircraft in the fleet, with a capacity of 122 passengers.

Three ATRs also help to serve our UK and European destinations. The newest additions are three brand-new ATR 72-600 aircraft which Aurigny took delivery of at the end of 2019. Each came fitted with a contemporary cabin design which introduced the latest standards of comfort, offering more space for luggage in overhead bins and providing passengers with 18" wide seats.

We took delivery of our second New Generation Dornier 228 in 2017, to serve the Alderney routes.



Embraer 195

NUMBER IN FLEET 1

BUILT Sao Jose Dos Campos, Brazil

ENGINES

2 x General Electric CF34-10E7 Turbofans

MAXIMUM SPEED 542 knots (624 mph)

PASSENGERS CARRIED 122

RANGE 2,500 miles (4,023 km)



ATR 72-600

NUMBER IN FLEET 3

BUILT Toulouse, France

ENGINES

2 x Pratt & Whitney PW-127 M Turboprops

MAXIMUM SPEED 276 knots (318 mph)

PASSENGERS CARRIED 72

RANGE 1,023 miles (1,646 km)



Dornier 228NG

NUMBER IN FLEET 2

BUILT Oberpfaffenhofen, Germany

ENGINES

2 x Garrett TPE331-10 Turboprops

MAXIMUM SPEED 223 knots (257 mph)

PASSENGERS CARRIED 19

RANGE 350 miles (563 km)

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HOLIDAY FLIGHTS IN 2020

Aurigny was one of the only airlines in the world to offer isolation-free holidays in 2020 with travel corridors between Alderney, Guernsey and the Isle of Man



2019
Named Airline of the Year at 2019 Southampton Airport Awards



6
Aircraft



1977
First airline in the world to ban smoking on all services



1
In-flight marriage



1
FA Cup
Flown to Guernsey on 19th August 2016



300
Staff



1
Birth on board
Between Alderney and Guernsey



2019
Ranked best short-haul airline by Which?



NEW ROUTES ADDED

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GUERNSEY'S AIRLINE

OK, it's not the easiest of names – pronounced **Or-ree-nee** – but it's certainly one that islanders are proud of. 'Aurigny' is the Norman name for Alderney, the northern island in the Bailiwick of Guernsey, where Aurigny Air Services was launched in 1968.

Aurigny has been serving the Channel Islands for over 50 years and is owned by the States of Guernsey.

OUR DESTINATIONS

FROM GUERNSEY

- ALDERNEY
- BIRMINGHAM
- BRISTOL
- DUBLIN†
- EAST MIDLANDS
- EXETER
- GRENoble†
- LEEDS BRADFORD†
- LONDON GATWICK
- MALAGA†
- MANCHESTER
- SOUTHAMPTON

FROM ALDERNEY

- GUERNSEY
- SOUTHAMPTON

† Seasonal route

Look out for additional destinations for short breaks being added throughout 2023.

Direct flights to Ibiza, Madrid, Prague, Porto, Nice, Mallorca, Barcelona and Edinburgh already on sale.

Visit aurigny.com for more details.

SAFETY FIRST

COVID SAFETY

The safety of our passengers and crew remains a priority at this stage in the pandemic. Our aircraft are deep cleaned and fogged every day using an antibacterial and antiviral solution which remains active for up to 10 days. Masks are now optional on most Aurigny flights. Please check our latest guidance online for details. Please respect the personal space of others as much as you can.

HAND BAGGAGE

Once you've boarded and located your seat, please ensure your hand baggage is stowed safely. Small bags can be placed underneath the seat in front of you, unless you are seated in an emergency exit row.

All other items should be placed inside an overhead locker. Please take care when opening the overhead lockers as items may have moved during flight and falling items may cause injury.

YOUR SAFETY

We want to look after you on board and our main concern is for your safety and that of the Aurigny crew. Cabin crew are here primarily for your safety, so please pay attention to their instructions. Any feedback about the crew and flight is welcomed.

Life jackets are provided for use in the extremely unlikely event of an emergency. It is an offence to tamper with or remove them without authorisation and this may jeopardise the safety of others.

Both staff and passengers have the right to fly within a calm, safe and friendly environment. Aurigny has a zero-tolerance policy towards any violent, disruptive or offensive behaviour, and crew have been trained to deal with such incidents.

SMOKING

Smoking of cigarettes and e-cigarettes is not permitted on board, including within the toilets.

FOOD ALLERGIES

Allergy information is available for all snacks – please see the packaging label or ask a member of the crew.

TRAVELLING WITH INFANTS AND CHILDREN

Infants under the age of 2 need to be secured whenever the seatbelt sign is on, this can be achieved through the use of a seatbelt loop provided by the airline to secure the infant on an adult's lap. A child over the age of 2, must be secured in their own seat to ensure their safety in the event of an emergency landing or turbulence.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES*

HANDHELD DEVICES WITH A 'FLIGHT SAFE' MODE

Handheld devices, such as tablets, e-readers and mobile phones, may be used during all phases of the flight, provided the 'flight safe' mode is enabled before departure. Larger devices must be safely secured in hand luggage during taxi, take-off and landing, either in the overhead locker or under the seat in front of you. Any device that transmits or receives communications but does not have a flight safe mode must be switched off from doors closed to doors open.

LAPTOPS, ULTRABOOKS AND NOTEBOOKS

Devices may be used during boarding but not for taxi, take-off and landing, when they must be safely stowed away in hand luggage. They may be used in flight, provided they are set to flight safe mode, with WiFi turned off. On the Embraer and ATR Bluetooth may be used throughout the flight.

DEVICES WITHOUT A 'FLIGHT SAFE' MODE

This will include items such as DVD players, electronic games and music players. Only small, handheld devices may be used during taxi, take-off and landing. Larger devices must be switched off and safely stowed away in hand luggage during taxi, take-off and landing.

BLUETOOTH ACCESSORIES

All Bluetooth accessories (for example wireless keyboards, headphones etc.) may be used on the Embraer and the ATR.

ARE THERE ANY TIMES I CANNOT USE MY HANDHELD DEVICES?

Under certain circumstances your flight or cabin crew will ask that all electronic devices be switched off, for example, during refuel operations. This will be announced over the PA.

CAN I USE MY HEADPHONES THROUGHOUT THE FLIGHT?

Personal headphones can be used for some stages of the flight and may be attached to your personal device. We ask that customers remove their headphones whenever the seat belt signs are illuminated during the taxi, take-off and landing phases and during the safety demonstration.

CAN I USE A REMOTE POWER PACK?

Aurigny does not allow passengers to charge their devices while on board our aircraft.

Please ask a member of cabin crew if you have any queries.

*Electronic devices can only be used on the ATR and Embraer E195 aircraft. Unfortunately they cannot be used on the Dornier.

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Always secure a tag onto your baggage containing key contact details, including where you will be staying.



Insert a sheet of paper into your bag with key personal details, such as your name, contact details, flight numbers and address of where you will be staying.



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Customise the look of your bag to make it easier to identify.



Immediately report the loss of checked-in luggage if it does not arrive at your destination. Do this before leaving the airport.



ON BOARD

PASSENGER AWARENESS

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It is for this reason that we ask all passengers to always:

1. Follow crew member instructions promptly
2. Respect crew members and fellow passengers
3. Behave in a safe and appropriate manner
4. Refrain from endangering the safety of the aircraft or its occupants

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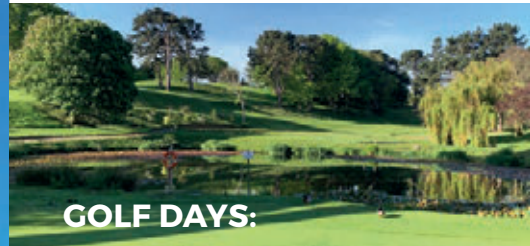
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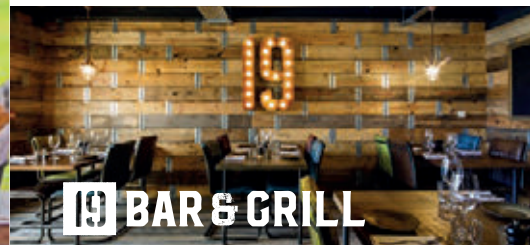
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Beach Guide

Guernsey has a beach and a bay for everyone. Here we discover Cobo.



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COBO

A wonderful family beach that caters to every demand, Cobo is regarded with great fondness locally. It's probably the most popular beach on the island, particularly amongst the 'young adult' crowd, who are seduced as much by the proximity of the Rockmount as anything else. The 'Rockie', just over the road from the beach, is as busy a bar as can be found outside of St Peter Port, and during the summer months serves as a nightspot in its own right.

Cobo is a beach for everybody, though it can also sometimes feel like a beach with everybody – anyone seeking solitude should

look elsewhere, because on summer afternoons Cobo positively crawls with people, who sunbathe, swim and play ball games as the bay echoes with the sounds of fun.

But it's not always that way – on a sunny day in June or September, with the sea bright blue and the beach deserted, you might well conclude that you've found paradise.

The beach provides a real focus for Cobo Village, one of the few discernible settlements on this side of the island. Nearby amenities include a general store, tearoom, and a variety of places to eat and drink.

Sitting on the wall to watch the sun drop behind the fishing boats and the distant rocks is an experience so magnificent, so wondrous, that the only way it could possibly be improved would be with fish, chips and mushy peas. Luckily, these are available from the excellent Cobo Fish Bar at the top of the slipway.

Optimum Tide: Mid

Best Feature: The sand, the sea, and the sunsets

Taken from Guernsey Beach Guide.

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WEST COAST

WHAT'S THERE ?



TOILETS



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DOGS ON BEACHES



Lihou Island and Lihou causeway – Dogs are not permitted on Lihou Island and Lihou causeway all year round.

Dog-free beaches from 1 May to 30 September – Dogs are not allowed on the following beaches during this time: Pembroke & L'Ancrese, Port Soif, Cobo Bay, Vazon (north end), Fermain Bay, L'Eree, Petit Bot

See gov.gg/dogsonbeaches for up-to-date information.

GO WILD FOR GUERNSEY FARMING

Over the last two years Guernsey has been going wild about its farming and the importance of the dairy industry to the island.

The Wild About Guernsey Farming campaign, championed by the Guernsey Dairy and the Guernsey Farmers Association, seeks to demonstrate how the island's dairy industry benefits the island and appropriately manages the countryside. The campaign has featured several initiatives, including specific school and education projects, and I'm proud to be involved in such an important part of island life.

Together with my brother Robin, we manage Le Hubits Farm, which has over 600 verges and supports 150 milking cows. The day-to-day management is run by myself and Robin (who some may recognise from his Guernsey Raiders rugby playing days), and we're guided by my father Jeremy, who has been farming on the island for more than 50 years.

As two of the new generation of farmers in Guernsey, Robin and I seek to set the highest standards possible, which is why we're very proud of the RSPCA accreditation achieved across the farming community in Guernsey recently. All local farmers and the Dairy hold an RSPCA Farm Assured accreditation which demonstrates high standards of animal welfare. It recognises our hard work in maintaining over 50% of the island's natural habitat and the fact we have the utmost care and respect for our breed.

We are constantly looking to be even more precise in the way we farm, by improving our feed efficiencies, waste management and soil structures.

Robin understands that the soil on Les Hubits Farm is our most important asset and is continually gaining in organic matter. As well as aiding 'carbon sequestration', the increase in organic matter leads to improved soil fertility and structure and healthier crops.

There are also opportunities for us to increase carbon storage and renewable energy on local farms. My brother passionately believes Guernsey is already playing a big part in what is termed 'carbon sequestration'. This is the ability of plants and soils to absorb significant amounts of carbon from the atmosphere. This potentially puts farming at the forefront of the fight against climate change.

There is a lot of misinformation out there about dairy farming. Some of us may pick up on news from the United States and Argentina in relation to farming, which is massively different to Guernsey. In the UK for example, there is a huge focus on cow welfare and the environment is well placed for cattle because of our native grasses. Our Guernsey cows also spend more than double the recommended amount of time living outside, partly due to mild winters.

Guernsey farmers are custodians of our countryside and are all part of the Guernsey Countryside Management Scheme, which was created to improve wildlife, animal welfare and environmental protection aspects of the farming industry. Furthermore, we also share a commitment to our special cattle breed, the 'Guernseys', to the community and producing fantastic milk, while at the same time bringing something different to the industry.





ABOVE & BELOW: ROBIN AND RACHEL LE COCO.
BELOW RIGHT: GUERNEY COW ©SHUTTERSTOCK.





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THE ULTIMATE GUIDE TO THE 'GUERNSEY'

The Guernsey cow breed, known as 'Guernseys' or the 'Golden Guernsey', is famous within the global dairy farming industry as they're known for their friendly, docile nature and for producing some of the best milk in the world. Guernsey's RSPCA Accredited dairy farming community spans many generations, with 11 working dairy farms and more than 1,250 cows in milk production, supplying approximately 7.5 million litres of milk to the Guernsey Dairy every year.

HISTORY LESSON

To the best of my knowledge, Guernsey cows first stepped foot on the island in the Middle Ages, led by monks from Mont St Michel. However, only 10% of the world's population of 'Guernseys' are actually farmed in Guernsey.

Mainland Britain got wind of the breed's reputation in the 1770s and began to import Guernseys to wealthy households desperate for their own personal supply of rich Guernsey butter for the table. Their beauty stole the attention of aristocrats and the cows began to be dotted around estates across Britain. They were even showcased at the World Exhibition in 1851 in London.

By the 1900s, news of the rich golden milk from our Guernseys had travelled across the Atlantic

and, after an exhibition in Chicago, they 'broke America' and became the dairy cow of choice across the country.

The adventures continued northwards to Canada (accidentally) after a ship of Guernseys were forced to divert to Nova Scotia, where they made quite the impression. Canadian Prime Minister, Sir John Abbott, was so taken with the cows he made them an official importation to Canada.

As the breed became recognised for their hardiness and plentiful production of rich golden milk, three Guernseys were taken where no cows had ever gone before - to Antarctica. Deerfoot, Klondike and Emmadine accompanied Admiral Richard Byrd on his voyage in 1933. Their adventures went down in history and even inspired award winning children's book 'Something to Tell the Grancows' by Eileen Spinelli.

PROTECTING THE GUERNSEY BREED

Since 1819, Guernsey law has prevented the importation of cattle to the island to ensure all our cows that produce the Guernsey Dairy's milk are pure, bred on island and disease free.

Guernsey's Biodiversity Strategy recognises the Guernsey cow as an important part of the island's culture and heritage and each farm has a Farm Biodiversity Action Plan

which helps and encourages each farmer to keep animal welfare and wildlife in mind.

GUERNSEY'S VERY OWN NATURAL ISOTONIC

If you ever wondered how Guernsey produces so many internationally recognised athletes for such a small island, then look no further than its milk.

Alex Tielles, Quality and Compliance Manager at Guernsey Dairy, said: 'Milk has all the properties of a natural isotonic drink. The added benefit is that it's travelled very few food miles and is 100% natural with no artificial additives.'

Guernsey milk contains carbohydrates in amounts similar to many commercially available sports drinks and has naturally high concentrations of electrolytes which are lost through sweating during exercise. The high concentrations of these electrolytes aid fluid recovery following exercise.

Many local sports stars have become ambassadors for the Dairy in promoting the health benefits of Guernsey milk.

Commonwealth Games swimmer and island backstroke record holder, Tatiana Tostevin, described how local milk helps with her training: 'It's a brilliant sports drink as it also contains casein and whey which are two important proteins for rebuilding muscles, making it perfect after swim training.'

LIBERATE YOUR TASTE BUDS



Guernsey Dairy has launched a new range of traditional ice cream flavours all packed with the great taste of fresh, golden Guernsey milk. En Voyage finds out what's on offer.

The new 'Family Favourites' range is based on reliable traditional recipes - vanilla, chocolate, strawberry and mint choc chip – but with one very special ingredient. They are the only ice creams (as well as those made by the local Le Hechet Farm) that contain the produce of indigenous Guernsey cows, who happily roam the many beautiful fields and pastures dotting the country parishes, and provide the rich and creamy milk that is synonymous with this world-famous breed.

Visitors can find all Guernsey Dairy's ice cream flavours in most of the island's grocery stores, as well as the very many beach kiosks.

'We don't need to label our ice cream with some funny exotic name or include some novel ingredients – we simply rely on the rich creamy texture the island has become accustomed to for generations,' said Guernsey Dairy's managing director, Andrew Tabel. 'It is quintessentially Guernsey and we're proud it's been this 'normal' for donkey's years.

'We've spent the last few months consulting with our retailers and consumers to develop a range of the most popular flavours in new one-litre tubs.'

Other flavours may follow, but for now the new range are classics that have been best sellers for Guernsey Dairy over the years.

'We still sell four-litre tubs of a broader range of flavours for

the hospitality sector, plus a new 125ml individual tub is also about to launch in a new Premium range.'

According to Andrew, it's the high cream content makes Guernsey milk ideal for ice cream, which is why it is top of the list when visitors arrive on the island.

'It's very popular with visitors,' said Edward Mann from the Tourist Information Centre. 'What visitors particularly like, other than the rich taste and texture, is the fact it's made from the milk of our beautiful Guernseys they can see in the fields, on island by the Guernsey Dairy and sold at a reasonable price.'

The new tubs each feature a recognisable Guernsey scene together with the strapline.

"Liberate your taste buds", which Andrew says is all about nostalgic days on the beach in Guernsey.

'I remember growing up in Guernsey and spending the entire summer on one beach or another. The highlight of our day would be a round of quick cricket, football, swimming as the tide rose and then a delicious Guernsey ice cream from the kiosk. I don't think peoples' beach experiences has really changed since then.'

THE FORAGING FACE OF GUERNSEY ICE CREAM

Another locally produced ice cream is made at Le Hechet Farm using whipping cream from Guernsey Dairy. Located in the heart of the island's countryside, Le Hechet Farm is family owned and currently has 80 Guernseys roaming some 300 verges.

Le Hechet Farm offers no less than 30 flavours of ice cream, which are very popular. The ice cream is supplied to local restaurants

and hotels, and is a regular offering at public events and fairs across Guernsey.

Just like the Guernsey Dairy, they produce ice cream from the rich cream and milk derived from their very own cows and add an extra ingredient foraged from the farm which makes their ice cream truly home-made and unique.

Owners Julian and Katherine Ogier, together with Katherine's sister Rachel and her husband Steve, not only make the ice cream themselves but can pick ingredients from the land, such as fruit from the family's orchards, enabling them to make everything from apricot and peach to plum ice cream.

Sisters Katherine and Rachel will be participating in all 2023 Eat Drink & Be Local Seafront Sundays and are usually found on the corner of North Esplanade and Crown Pier.

Guernsey Dairy's new Family Favourites in one-litre tubs are available in local shops throughout Guernsey. Le Hechet Farm ice cream is available at Forest Stores and Manor Farm Foods.

ABOVE: GUERNSEY DAIRY'S NEW 'FAMILY FAVOURITES'. BELOW: LE HECHET FARM ICE CREAM BEING MANUFACTURED.



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RAISE A GLASS TO WORLD GIN DAY

It's hard to beat a G&T. Equally at home as a pre-dinner drink or a cocktail of choice, gin is a perennial favourite. Sales of gin have soared over recent years as boutique and small-batch distillers have joined the party.

So it's no wonder that gin has its own day, which is the second Saturday in June (10 June this year). The idea is simple – to get people together all around the world and raise a glass to gin.

Originally the idea of the Gin Monkey – aka Emma Stokes – and fellow avid gin connoisseur Neil Houston, World Gin Day started as a tiny event in 2009, but has since grown to enormous proportions. At the last count, the organisers reached more than 200 million social media users and ran events in more than 30 countries.

We are incredibly fortunate to have some award-winning boutique gins that are distilled in Guernsey, two of which are available to purchase and enjoy on Aurigny.

WHEADON'S GIN

Scooping a gold medal and awarded Best Channel Island Contemporary Style Gin in the 2020 World Gin Awards, Wheadon's Gin's Rock Samphire and Pink Grapefruit infusion is its signature flavour.

Rock samphire foraged from the nearby cliffs and other carefully sourced botanicals create perfectly

balanced artisan gins in very small batches. Other flavours include mandarin, lime and hibiscus and yuzu, lemongrass and green tea. It also produced a special creation for Guernsey FC.

BLUE BOTTLE GIN

Launched in 2014, this gin comes in an eye-catching blue bottle featuring exquisite artwork of a blue bottle fly. Made at The Three Fingers Distillery, it has twice been named one of the 10 best gins in the world by the London Evening Standard newspaper.

Traditional juniper combines with the tropical scent of local gorse flowers and the warm spicy notes of cubeb pepper to create a complex yet refreshing delight.

There is also a pink gin, the main ingredient being fresh grapefruit. Layered with fresh orange and lemon peel, the upfront citrus hit complements traditional juniper and combines with cardamom and angelica to create a modern, fresh tasting gin.



THE HISTORY OF GIN

Gin is a distilled alcoholic drink that derives its flavour from juniper berries. It gets its name from the Dutch word for juniper – 'genever'. Indeed, there are references to a spirit flavoured with genever mentioned in a 13th-century Flemish manuscript.

By the 1600s, the Dutch were producing gin in earnest, with hundreds of distilleries in the city of Amsterdam alone.

Originally a medicinal liquor, it was used as a treatment for gout and dyspepsia. It gained in popularity during the Thirty Years' War, when British soldiers fighting on Dutch land were bolstered with 'Dutch Courage' by drinking gin.

In the latter half of the 17th century and the beginning of the 18th century, it surged in popularity in England.

It was also popular with soldiers who were living in countries prone to malaria as it masked the unpleasant, bitter flavour of the only effective antimalarial compound, quinine. Quinine was dissolved in carbonated water to form tonic water.

And so the gin and tonic was born, although modern tonic water contains only a trace of quinine as a flavouring.

Tonic waters themselves have also enjoyed a boost in popularity over recent years as additional flavours have been added.



LOCATE GUERNSEY REFLECTS
ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE THE BAILIWICK OFFERS

WELLNESS IN THE WILD

The past few years have significantly changed everyone's mindset and lifestyle. While the pandemic may have led to the work-from-home revolution, it also highlighted the importance of prioritising mental wellbeing, taking the time away to de-stress and spend time with those that matter most.

Spending time outdoors is a simple yet effective way to spend time away from the 'office' and nurture both body and soul. Studies show that spending just 30 minutes a day outdoors can greatly reduce anxiety, stress, and even quicken the health recovery process.

In Guernsey, spending time outdoors is an integral part of island

life. The island's enviable work/life balance and short commute times mean more downtime in the day to rest, recover and step back from the busy 9 to 5.

Whether it's a run on Guernsey's cliff paths after work, an alfresco dinner with friends or a BBQ on the beach watching the sunset, islanders enjoy an outdoorsy lifestyle and truly make the most of Guernsey's superb natural beauty, clean fresh air and peaceful environment.

Another perk of island life is the ability to spend time out on the water. Being an island in the English Channel, islanders have always had a very close connection to the sea. From lunchtime dips

at La Valette Bathing Pools or a swim at one of the island's golden sandy beaches after work, it's easy to quickly wash away the stresses of the day and enjoy the here and now. Many islanders also own kayaks or paddleboards, allowing them to experience Guernsey's natural beauty from the water.

Island hopping is another very special element of island life. While Guernsey is the largest island in the Bailiwick, the smaller islands offer endless adventure and are a great way to enjoy the outdoors and take time out without needing a long journey or flight. Each island has its own individuality and charm. Whether it's dinner in Herm after a day at work, a day trip with friends



LEFT: SWIMMING ON LIHOU ISLAND.
 ABOVE: EARLY MORNING YOGA AS THE SUN RISES OVER
 HERM AND SARK. RIGHT: SURFING AT VAZON. ©LOCATE GUERNSEY.

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to Sark or a long weekend in Alderney – all offer a stress-free way to unwind and refresh.

With the recent success of the Spring Walking Festival – and its Autumn partner to look forward to – it would be amiss not to remark on the popularity of walking in Guernsey. From coastal rambles to hidden Ruettes Tranquilles, walking is a great way to get to know the island and appreciate the varied flora and fauna. With such short commute times, walking is a popular pastime, as many islanders swap cars for trainers and choose to walk to work, offering a refreshing way to start the day.

In a world where you can now work from anywhere, living in

a place where quality of life is prioritised is increasingly desirable.

Locate Guernsey is on hand to help you discover the many benefits of life in Guernsey. To find out more, please get in touch with the Locate Guernsey team on 01481 220011, email enquiries@locateguernsey.com or visit www.locateguernsey.com



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WHAT'S ON IN THE BAILIWICK?

MANDY ROWLINSON FROM AUTISM
GUERNSEY WITH PERCIVAL THE PUFFIN



Until 31 August

GUERNSEY PUFFIN PARADE

60 handcrafted puffins are on display at various places around Guernsey this summer, including local businesses, schools, attractions, restaurants and places of interest. Can you find them all? At the end of August they will be auctioned off to raise money for Autism Guernsey and the GSPCA. See puffinparade.org.gg for further information.

Sundays until 24 September

CANDIE CONCERTS

Spend a lazy Sunday at Candie Gardens listening to music. Details of who's playing when at guernseystreetfestival.com/what-s-on/candie-gardens/

Until 30 September

LIVING HISTORY

The Guernsey History in Action Company presents stories from the island's past. Performances every Friday, Saturday and Sunday right after the noonday gun at Castle Cornet.

Details on each performance can be found at visitguernsey.com/experiences/events/living-history/

5 June – 11 June

BLOOMIN' ALDERNEY

Wander through some of Alderney's most beautiful gardens. See visitalderney.com/see-do/events/bloomin-alderney/

6 June – 30 June

ART IN THE PARK – SOME LIKE IT HOT

Illustrator Libby McIntosh has established a following for pet portrait commissions, characterful sketches and textile print collections. The exhibition is at the National Trust of Guernsey Folk and Costume Museum, Saumarez Park. Free entry. Open 10am – 5pm daily.

14 June – 18 June

CREATIVE SARK 10TH ANNIVERSARY

Exhibition, art workshops, pottery and textile workshops, writing workshop given by Lene Kaaberbol and singing bowl sound healing. Visit creativesark.info for further details.

23 June – 25 June

CHAOS GUERNSEY

Three days of the Greenman MCC Chaos festival returns to Pleinmont Point for the 18th year. The gates (and bar) will open at midday on Friday. Come for the day or, if you are 18 or over, set up camp and stay for the weekend (camping is free with your weekend ticket). Family friendly, safe environment where you can enjoy live music and recharge. Full information at choasevents.com

24 June

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NGS OPEN GARDEN

Ten acres of parkland and landscaped gardens with more than 150 mature trees, plus an impressive collection of camellia cultivars. Tickets can be booked in advance on the NGS booking system or just turn up and pay on the day. Adults £5, children free. 12pm – 4pm.



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3 July LE VIAER MARCHI

Hosted by the National Trust of Guernsey, this traditional show held at Saumarez Park heralds the start of the Guernsey Summer season. Showcasing traditional island crafts, favourite foods, music and dancing, this is a gathering that has been enjoyed by generations of islanders and visitors since the 1970s.

Gates open 5pm.

7 July – 9 July SARKFEST

Head over to Sark for a weekend of folk, rock, ska, reggae, blues and acoustic bands. Sarkfest.com has all the information.

8 July – 14 July GUERNSEY ISLAND GAMES

Once every two years, athletes from 24 member islands come together to compete in a range of sports. Thousands of athletes, coaches (and mascots) will be welcomed. Full information of all the sports and what's going on at guernsey2023.gg

21 July – 30 July SARNIA ARTS & CRAFTS CLUB EXHIBITION

Open daily from 10am – 4.30pm at Blanchelande College. See exhibits from some of Guernsey's most talented artists and crafters. Free entry and free parking.

21 July HARBOUR CARNIVAL

This fun-filled family fundraising

event takes place in and around St Peter Port Harbour. Events include duck races, dinghy races, tug of war and man powered flight, culminating in a spectacular fireworks display. Starts 6.30pm, further information at harbourcarnival.gg

21 July – 22 July SARK SHEEP RACING

A fun-packed day out for all the family, with Sark's day at the races. Enjoy sheep racing, food stalls, games and an evening of live music.

21 July – 2 September 'TWIST AND SHOUT' BEATLES EXHIBITION

Greenhouse Gallery at the Guernsey Museum, Candie Gardens. Celebrating 60 years since the Beatles played in Guernsey, Guernsey Arts, in partnership with Skipton, has numerous events planned to celebrate the Fab Four.



On the anniversary itself – 8 August – there is a family-friendly picnic taking place in the grounds of Candie Gardens from 5pm – 7pm with live music.

22 July ROCQUAINE REGATTA

A full day and evening of entertainment, activities and fun on Guernsey's west coast. Boat races, junior sand events and the 'wife carrying' event. There will also be free entry to Fort Grey Shipwreck Museum all day.

27 July THE ROYAL GUERNSEY AGRICULTURAL & HORTICULTURAL SHOW

Saumarez Park. 10am – 3pm. Free entry, free parking at Home Farm.

5 August – 6 August THE VINTAGE AGRICULTURAL SHOW

From sheep shearing to live music, food village to garden games and tractors, The Vintage Agricultural Show has it all. Step back in time and enjoy a weekend of attractions at Route des Paysans (What3words location: [players.glitter.aristocracy](https://www.what3words.com/players.glitter.aristocracy)). Saturday 10am – 11pm, Sunday 10am – 6.30pm. Free parking, admission to the show is charged.

7 August – 12 August ALDERNEY WEEK

A week of live music and entertainment, along with parties, carnivals and wild and wacky events for the whole family. Full details at alderneyweek.com.



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THE COLOUR

17 June

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BBC PROMS

14 July - 9 September

Experience one of the top music events in London, and the biggest classical music festival on the planet. Each year, the BBC Proms hosts two months of concerts over the summer, aiming to bring the finest classical music to as many people as possible at affordable prices and in an informal atmosphere.

BUCKINGHAM
PALACE SUMMER
OPENING AND TOUR

14 July – 24 September

Plan your trip to London to coincide with the annual Buckingham Palace summer opening and tour. See how royalty lives by touring the rooms of one of the world's most famous residences.

WIMBLEDON
LAWN TENNIS
CHAMPIONSHIPS

3 July – 16 July

One of the four annual Grand Slam tennis tournaments, Wimbledon is the place to be. Soak up the lively atmosphere and enjoy strawberries and creams, along with two weeks of tennis matches in south-west London.

HAMPTON COURT
PALACE GARDEN
FESTIVAL

4 July – 9 July

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THE LATE FIONA ADAMS, GUERNSEY BORN PHOTOGRAPHER, WHO TOOK THE ICONIC IMAGE FOR THE EP.

TWIST AND SHOUT

Tuesday 8 August celebrates the 60th anniversary of the Beatles playing at Candie Gardens. En Voyage takes a look at what is happening to commemorate the anniversary.

Brought over by Baron Pontin in 1963, the Fab Four played to a packed auditorium. Over the next seven years John, Paul, George and Ringo would go from being 'four lads from Liverpool with the funny haircuts' to become one of the most successful bands the world has ever seen, influencing music, fashion and society.

As part of the anniversary celebrations, Guernsey Arts is hosting 'Twist and Shout', curating a summer exhibition of local artists in the greenhouse gallery. This will take inspiration from the Beatles' visit to the Channel Islands, as well as paying homage to local photographer, the late Fiona Adams, whose iconic Twist and Shout EP cover was described by the National Portrait Gallery as one of the defining images of the 20th century.

The exhibition will be running from 21 July to 3 September, with special music events scheduled to take place on 6 and 8 August.

'Photography, visual arts, music and performance will all have a place in celebrating this iconic anniversary,' said GA's Russ Fossey, head of arts development.

'We called out to a number of local artists, they came in and picked the name of a Beatles album out of the hat and they have to interpret a song choice visually.

'Peter Le Vasseur, who had a painting in the book The Beatles Illustrated Lyrics, which sold three-and-a-half-million copies, will have a print of his painting, Echoes of Liverpool, in the exhibition.

'We also have Guernsey Street Festival on board and they will be organising some live music with a Beatles theme and Last of the Light Brigade will also be involved.'

Partnering with GA will be local bank, Skipton International.

'The Beatles are such an iconic band, who were true trailblazers in their field,' said Aaron Walden, senior commercial manager at Skipton International.

'Celebrating the 60th anniversary of their performance in Candie Gardens, plus the concept of creating new memories for the island's community to share and celebrate, made it an easy decision for us. I'd encourage everyone in Guernsey, young or old, to engage with this fabulous initiative and to come and view it this summer.'

MEMORIES OF THAT SPECIAL NIGHT IN 1963, RECALLED BY MAUREEN

I worked at the Duke of Richmond hotel as receptionist and the Beatles were our guests. They checked in and chatted to me about the hotel, island etc. Paul was very friendly and invited me to his room for a chat (yes, it was for a chat); we talked about music, mainly Tamla Motown, and I told him about Guernsey. He asked me if I was going to the concert but I hadn't got a ticket, so he arranged for Neil Aspinall (their road manager) to take me.

Neil was very kind and took me to the concert and I went backstage. I also met Vic Sutcliffe, the compère, who later on became a neighbour when I moved to London. A night to remember!

Afterwards, he asked if I wanted to see them on 'Thank Your Lucky Stars', which they had pre-recorded, so I watched with them in the lounge. I think Jane Harrison, whose parents ran the hotel, came too. The song was 'Love me do'.

In the downstairs bar and ballroom of the hotel, we had a bit of a party. They jammed using the resident band's instruments.

I thought George was very quiet, Ringo quite funny, John witty – he was chatting to Suzanne Sellers I recall – and Neil walked me home.

They signed the back of a menu card for me next morning: 'To Maureen, lots of love from the Beatles', Paul McCartney, and the others' signed underneath. It was a great birthday gift for me.

At the time they hadn't conquered America, but I knew they would! I saw them at the Rainbow in London a few years later and at Ready Steady Go studios (by this time I was working in the music business), but Candie Gardens was a more intimate gig and before they became colossal.

Many years later I had that menu card auctioned at Christie's and my husband and I went to Barbados on holiday with some of the proceeds. I did this as I have two daughters and who would I leave it to?

I took a photocopy and still have the Christie's programme with it in. The 60s were a special time.





DINNER WITH A TWIST

ADVERTORIAL

Good Rebel already has an excellent reputation for breakfast, brunch and lunch, but with summer here, it made sense to owner Steve Hopkin's to open on a few evenings. Amanda Eulenkamp discovered what's on the menu.

With its modern, industrial feel and funky vibe, Good Rebel draws not only the office workers from the surrounding businesses at Admiral Park, but families and couples as well. In its short time, it has become a hugely popular venue to meet and enjoy some fabulous food and drinks.

I've been a number of times for breakfast and brunch, but the evening was not only new to me, but new to Good Rebel itself.

Currently open Thursday to Saturday evenings from 5pm until 9pm, the vibe becomes one of laid-back cool, with tea lights sparkling on the tables and relaxed music at just the right level in the background (don't you just hate it when you can't hear yourself speak over the noise in some places? Good Rebel has nailed the

volume perfectly). There are also plenty of tables outside for those hotter evenings.

With the late afternoon/early evening light streaming in through the huge glass window, the place felt extremely welcoming, a welcome that all the staff echoed.

The menu consists of small plates (order a few between you and graze Tapas-style), large plates (when you know exactly what you want), sides and puddings (more of those later). Photographer Sophie, her partner, Sam, and I were fortunate to mix it up, starting with a selection of small plates.

First up was scorched mackerel served with cucumber, dill and pickled cranberries. The combo of soft, smoky fish with the pickles cutting through was divine. I could easily imagine myself ordering this with some bread and a Provencal Rose... but it also went well with the Good Rebel lager, brewed by locally-based Second Meridian Brew Co and available exclusively at Good Rebel. Refreshing and light, it is highly recommended.

Other equally mouth-watering

small plates were the Guernsey crab and heritage tomato salad with tarragon dressing (would work well as a light starter – the colourful tomatoes were delicious) and the deep fried skate wing, accompanied by curried yoghurt and lime. This was a real twist on the more normal fishy starters such as calamari or prawns.

Our final 'small plate' was the lamb kofta, a well-cooked, dense lamb dish packed with Middle Eastern flavour and served with mint yogurt, fresh mint, coriander and dukkah.

Each dish was an example of how beautifully a good chef can balance spices that complement the main star, whether fish, meat or vegetable.

It was then the turn of the 'large plates'. The Rebel fish dog – a levelled-up fish finger sarnie – hit all the right notes with its minted crushed peas, tartar sauce, parmesan, garlic and rosemary chips.

Having loved the crab and tomato small plate, it was no surprise



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that the side of heritage tomato and tarragon salad scored highly, too. A simple dish truly elevated. Another side that we dived into was the cauliflower mac'n'cheese – one word to describe this: Yum!

How we had room for the curry spiced monkfish (one of my favourite fishes) and the pork tenderloin, I'll never know, but we did.

And then came dessert! The comments from Sophie and Sam describing the Bramley apple fritter and salted caramel with vanilla ice cream sum it up: 'Wow'. 'Unreal'. 'One of the best desserts I've ever had'. Do I need to add more?

It was a close tie with our second dessert, the chocolate brownie with raspberries and vanilla ice cream. Another spot-on dish, I would recommend ordering a coffee which complemented the sweetness perfectly.

Sam declared it 'a carefully considered menu' and we all vowed to return as soon as possible. Join the rebellion and head to Good Rebel to savour this most delicious menu.

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What can I do in Sark?

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DINING, CELLAR-STYLE

ADVERTORIAL

One of Guernsey's hidden gems of a restaurant, Fat Rascal can be found in a converted cellar in cobbled Lefebvre Street. With a new menu in the offing, Amanda Eulenkamp went to try out its latest offerings.

Fat Rascal comes into its own in the evenings. The copy yet vibrant décor is lit by stunning lamps, the tea lights glow on the tables and the atmosphere is romantic yet lively.

Whether you're dining à deux or with a group of friends, Fat Rascal is popular with locals and visitors alike.

Head down the steps to the bar area and choose your drink. I went for a Second Meridian Brew Co pale ale (sold exclusively at Fat Rascal), which has a refreshing tang of peach.

Then settle into one of the cosy booths or gather round a table, ready to enjoy some of the freshest local food around. Owner Steve Hopkins (who also owns sister restaurant Good Rebel), is very conscious of food miles and likes to buy as much locally as he can.

And what's more local than Guernsey crab? Served as a bisque, with a tangy and tasty cheese toastie, this bowl of delicate flavour is enhanced by the bite of mustard in the toastie. Grab one to yourself as this dish is not for sharing!

But the small plates are, and photographer Peter Frankland, his wife Stephanie and son John, and I, tucked into the feast laid out in front of us. A firm favourite with us all, the spiced corn ribs with garlic mayo and spring onion smelt as good as they tasted.

We also dived into a bacon mac'n'cheese croquette, served with burger sauce. The Sark lamb kebab, flat bread, mint yoghurt and pickled onions sizzled with flavour. There is a tang of curry in this dish, beautifully balanced as are all the foods – the seasoning definitely enhances rather than detracts from the taste.

On to the large plates, where we were treated to Fat Rascal's signature chicken parmigiana, with pork shoulder, roasted tomato sauce, mash, rocket and parmesan. While we were there to try out the new seasonal dishes, this is one that has been a consistent hit

and has been on the menu right from the start. And it's easy to understand why.

The pork tenderloin, mashed potato, garlic tender stem broccoli with bacon and onion jus is a hearty but not heavy main course. Again, a delicious combination of flavours.

Our third large plate was perfect for those looking for vegan dishes (of which there is a good variety on the menu): Caramelised onion, tomato and pesto tart with rocket, toasted seeds and vegan parmesan salad was a sweet treat for a main.

Then it was onto the sweet desserts themselves. It was a draw, as two people preferred the banoffee cheesecake with salted caramel and another two (including me), preferred the chocolate brownie and orange torte with raspberries. A rich, deep dessert, a cup of Fat Rascal's perfectly sized and delicious coffee was the ideal partner to satisfy the taste buds.

To enjoy Fat Rascal's latest menu, head through the stone arch in High Street into the cobbled Lefebvre (pronounced Le Fever) Street, where you'll find it on the left.



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By Amanda Eulenkamp

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JUST ONE FOR THE ROAD



I was fortunate to live on the west coast of Guernsey for more than 20 years, so I have a bit of a soft spot for the coastline there. When thinking about the editorial synopsis for this edition, I was inspired by this part of Guernsey (as you'll read on page 53) and also inspired by Aurigny's Dublin route, mainly because you can clear customs for the US here.

That got me thinking of the west coast of America, and so I hope you enjoy the article that has San Francisco as its focus (page 45). It really is a city to lose your heart to.

In a neat twist that ties up nicely with the feature on page 35 about the 60th anniversary of the Beatles playing in Guernsey, Seattle also has a link to the Fab Four. Seattle's only over-water hotel, The Edgewater, is where my family and I spent a few nights around 14 years ago. It is a superb hotel with stunning views and is also a great place to base yourself to explore Seattle.

As the hotel's website says:

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Seattle was the start of another tour of the west coast of America, but on that occasion we flew to San Francisco to save a few days.

Touring holidays are one of my favourite, and our regular travel blogger, Rupert Diggins, is a fellow tourer. He's just been on a great trip which included Bilbao and

Porto, both served by Aurigny this year. If you are still looking for inspiration for this year, reading about his travels, starting on page 56, will no doubt get you reaching out to Aurigny's website to book those direct flights.

Nearer to home, Jessamy Baldwin explores the city of Bath (page 54). It's a city I know relatively well as my son and daughter-in-law went to university there. Easily reached from Bristol airport, I can thoroughly recommend a visit.

And finally, if you want to explore Dublin and the surrounding area, who better to guide you than Dublin-born Guernsey resident, writer Jenny O'Brien? There's nothing better than getting the low-down from a local, so follow her footsteps on page 49.

The summer months are stretching ahead in front of us, promising sunny days and balmy evenings. Pack your bags (don't forget one of Jenny's books!) and get out and explore our wonderful world – especially the west coasts!




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CALIFORNIA DREAMIN'



The west coast of America features stunning scenery and is known for its hot sun, surf, golden sand and laid-back lifestyle. But it's also home to some iconic cities, like Seattle, San Diego, Los Angeles and, of course, San Francisco.

With Aurigny operating flights to Dublin three times a week (Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday until 29 October), you can clear customs for the US in Dublin rather than queuing Stateside.

So, pack your bags for a trip of a lifetime, says Amanda Eulenkamp...



PREVIOUS PAGE: THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE. ABOVE L-R: ALCATRAZ PRISON AND GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE; VINTAGE CABLE CAR; YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK; NAPA VALLEY VINEYARD; SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK; THE GRAND CANYON; THE ICONIC HOLLYWOOD SIGN. ALL IMAGES ©ISTOCKPHOTO

Whether you fancy a bit of city-hopping or want to indulge your dreams by hiring a Harley Davidson or a Cadillac (or a motorhome – highly recommended for family groups) and get out on the road, there is such a lot to see in California and its surrounding states. In this article, I'm going to give you a flavour of what you can fit in on a couple of weeks' road trip, starting in San Francisco.

At a little over 11 hours' flight time, I'd suggest at least a couple of nights in the city before heading out on the road, partly to get over any jet lag, but mostly to see the sights.

I'd recommend staying near Union Square. It's got great shops, restaurants and hotels, and is also a perfect base for hopping onto the cable cars. These will whisk you around the city, experiencing the steep hills – hang on to the straps like the locals do.

Alternatively, go for a hotel down on Fisherman's Wharf. There you'll find numerous restaurants selling delicious clam chowder in sourdough bread bowls. Visit Pier 39 for an authentic boardwalk experience, with lots of boutique shops, the San Francisco carousel and the famous sea lions.

Of course, you can't visit San Francisco without seeing the Golden Gate Bridge – check out goldengate.org/bridge/visiting-the-bridge/ for information about the history of the bridge, as well

as details of tours, some by bus, others by ferry.

Go a little further afield before you leave the city by taking the famous Napa Valley Wine Train. It will take you on a 36-mile round-trip discovery to St. Helena and back, stopping at celebrated wineries along the way. One for wine-lovers, and this is one trip where you definitely don't want a car! Further information can be found at winetrain.com

Don't leave without visiting Alcatraz. The prison is situated on a rock in the bay and is fascinating. It's definitely recommended to pre-book your trip as visitor numbers are limited and, in summer, or around holidays, it's often sold out three or more weeks in advance.

Tony Bennett once sang that he'd 'lost his heart in San Francisco'; I think I will always have a place in my heart for the city.

Once you've seen the sights, it's time to pick up your vehicle and head off to Yosemite. A word of warning here – most motorhome companies don't allow pick up until the afternoon, as a guide between 12.30 and 4pm. Pre-book your first night (although in holiday times, I'd recommend pre-booking every night in a camp site as they get extremely busy) and drive just a couple of hours outside of San Francisco, so that you can get used to the vehicle. Oakland is a good place to stay and will set you up for

the journey to Yosemite, which can take around three hours (slightly slower if you're in a motorhome).

The granite mountains of El Capitan and Half Dome are instantly recognisable, but nothing beats seeing them in reality. They are jaw-droppingly beautiful. For a memorable travel experience, sit outside at night looking up at the stars. There's no light pollution to interrupt the viewing experience.

It's hard to leave Yosemite, but it has to be done. If time allows, take a trip to Sequoia National Park, home to the world's largest and most ancient trees (more than 2,000 years old). Break the journey between here and the Grand Canyon at Barstow on the I-40.

It's still about a five-and-a-half-hour journey to the Grand Canyon, but once there you'll revel in the spectacular views into the canyon. Like Yosemite, it's best to book ahead accommodation-wise in the peak season.

This trip takes you to the south rim of the Grand Canyon where there is plenty to see and memories to make – you'll never tire of the view.

The National Park Service website nps.gov is worth perusing as it has information about accommodation, tours and, possibly most importantly, weather-related road closures.

Loop down to Los Angeles via Las Vegas. This is a city that simply must be experienced at least



once in a lifetime. It is a complete contrast to the peace and tranquility of the National Parks, but I can guarantee that you'll find something to love in this city in the middle of a desert.

Whether it's a spectacular show or a flutter at one of the numerous casinos, a ride on a rollercoaster or a walk just taking in all the different sights and marvelling at the hotels, Las Vegas shouldn't be missed.

If you are in a motorhome, then another night in Barstow to break the journey to Los Angeles (the final destination on this trip) is a good idea.

Home to the original Disneyland, LA is a sprawling metropolis. To explore it properly needs another few nights, especially if you want to see Rodeo Drive and the Hollywood sign.

Of course, you could easily cut out the National Parks and simply drive from San Francisco to Los Angeles along the Pacific Coast Highway. While it's a little over five hours, this trip deserves far more attention and again, I'd recommended taking it slower and exploring what there is to offer on the Californian coast.

Do drive from north to south, though, as you'll be on the right side of the road for uninterrupted views and to pull over to take photographs. And for the ultimate California road trip, combine this section with a drive from LA to San Diego, or even start in Seattle or Portland.

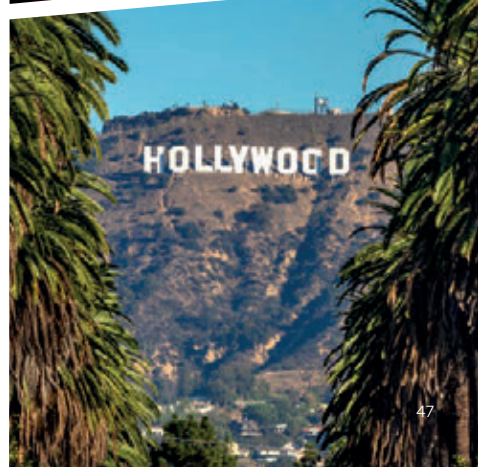
The west coast of America offers so much that you won't fit it all in in one trip, so do your research, work out what you want to see and book your flight.

US PRECLEARANCE FACILITY

The US Preclearance (USCBP) facility at Terminal 2 in Dublin Airport is a purpose built facility that allows US bound passengers to undertake all US immigration, customs and agriculture inspections at Dublin Airport prior to departure. Dublin Airport is one of only a few airports outside North America that offers a US Preclearance facility. The benefit is that, having cleared USCBP, passengers arriving in the US are treated as domestic arrivals, allowing them to avoid immigration queues upon arrival and pick up their bags and go.

In addition, this benefits onward connecting passengers in the US who will have their baggage checked through to their final destination.

It is advised to allow three hours to clear USCBP before a long-haul flight. If you are checking in a bag, please allow up to an hour of additional time.

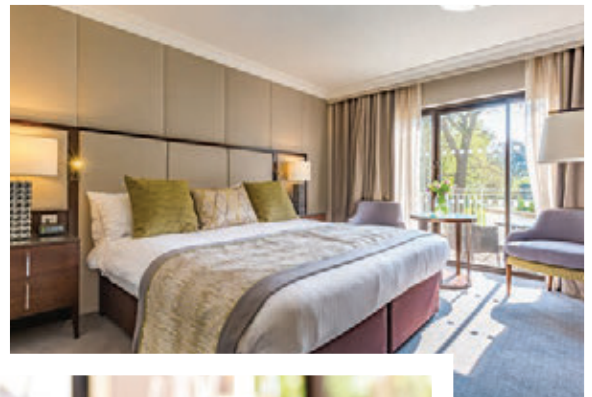


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DUBLIN – THE CITY BY THE SEA

With direct flights from Guernsey now available, Dublin is the ideal getaway destination. It has everything you can expect from a capital city but far more than you could ever imagine due to its ideal position on the coast. Jenny O'Brien, an Irish writer born in Dublin and living in Guernsey, walks us through her personal city highlights before heading out through County Dublin and beyond.



PREVIOUS PAGE: HA'PENNY BRIDGE AND RIVER LIFFEY.
 ABOVE L-R: TRINITY COLLEGE; TEMPLE BAR ©ISTOCKPHOTO;
 RIGHT L-R: BRAY HEAD TO GREYSTONES; HOWTH HARBOUR ©SHUTTERSTOCK

Dublin is one of the smaller capital cities, but that only adds to the charm found in the narrow, winding streets and traditional shops hemmed in by their glossy neighbours. The architecture is a blend of modern interspersed by traditional and with what feels like an old-fashioned pub on every corner. The food is the ethnic mix you'd expect, a fusion of traditional Irish cooking, sitting side by side with every cultural variation available.

As for the beer. Well, there is Guinness. If you haven't tasted a pint of Guinness straight from the tap of a busy Irish pub, and when have you ever come across a quiet one, then you're in for a treat. Dublin is also a city of music. From Celtic and classical to modern and played on drums, guitars, flutes, harps and even the odd set of bagpipes! I have experienced them all while strolling the main thoroughfares.

CITY HIGHLIGHTS

St Stephen's Green Park is an oasis in the heart of the city. There is a good chance you'll become very familiar with it if you're staying on the outskirts. The gardens are a well-tended mix of seasonal favourites. Spring is a real treat with displays of daffodils, tulips and hyacinths. There's a huge duck pond in the centre and if you're lucky, you'll get to see the swans.

Step outside the park and skirt the edges. It's here you'll find an abundance of Georgian architecture and a glut of doors befitting the large townhouses on show. Amble down the top of Grafton Street towards Trinity College for signs to The Westbury Hotel.

I always pop into The Westbury – one of the five-star hotels that the city is famous for – when I'm in town. There might even be a pianist tinkering away on the grand piano.

If you hang a left outside The Westbury and then left again, you'll find Powerscourt Town Centre. This historic slice of Dublin has been transformed into a thriving shopping experience. The former Georgian residence is popular among locals and tourists alike and is one of the first places I visit on my return. A mooch in the traditional shops on either side of the fine central staircase. Coffee and cake on one of the balcony cafes. A glass of wine in the Little Pyg, which must be one of the most unique settings for a pizzeria ever.

THE RIVER LIFFEY

Dublin's heart and the gateway to the Northside but not just yet. We still have to get there. The easiest bridge to take you there is visible from Trinity College, home to the Book of Kells, but it's far from the prettiest. Instead, head into

College Green, a quick step down Church Lane and away from Molly Malone's Statue. If you find yourself outside O'Neills pub, you're on the right street. Cross the busy road to Blooms Hotel. Here you'll be walking the same streets as Ulysses Leopold Bloom. Look up at the street names, there are references everywhere to Joyce's famed novel. And now you're in Temple Bar. Stop for breath and perhaps a pint before wandering through Merchant's Arch and the Ha'Penny Bridge beyond, officially christened the Liffey Bridge but known by all as the Ha'Penny Bridge due to the toll that pedestrians had to pay. In some circles, the bridge is as famous as the Eiffel Tower, certainly as popular in terms of marriage proposal venues.

BEYOND DUBLIN

The Dublin coastline is edged by the Dart, an electrical train that has taken the chore out of travelling outside of the city. There's plenty to see and do for all ages and abilities.

The seaside town of Greystones is last on the line and a relatively recent addition to the train service. Bordered on one side by the sea and on the other by the Wicklow Mountains, it really is an ideal spot but, for the walkers among you, I recommend stopping off in Bray instead and trying to walk the Bray Head to Greystones cliff walk to reach this destination. I say try as it really is weather dependant



and that part of the coast takes a battering during the winter months. Always best to check in advance if the trail is open. As an alternative, the Bray Head Looped Walk is just as charming and, at 5km, two kilometres shorter. Once you arrive in Greystones, by whichever route takes your fancy, try Cafe Grey, simple fayre made special by fresh local ingredients.

Dalkey is where the rich and famous hang out, when they're not in Monaco or Martha's Vineyard, that is. These include George Bernard Shaw, Maev Binchy and a couple of artists you may have heard of: Bono and Van Morrison. Take a walk down the coast road to the harbour with a backdrop of Dalkey Island. During the summer, take a boat trip around the island and nearby seal sanctuary.

Dalkey is also a popular spot for abseiling and rock climbing not that you'll find me in the vicinity of either! There are a couple of good swimming spots though, at Coliemore Harbour and the Vico Pools. The latter is accessed through a narrow gap in the wall and down a set of steep steps, which won't be for everyone. A small pool but famous enough to have attracted the likes of Harry Styles into taking a quick dip. You'll find the sea temperature a couple of degrees lower than Guernsey but manageable.

It is easy to overlook the coastal town of Dun Laoghaire unless taking a ferry either in or out of the busy port, but there's plenty to linger over. Dublin Bay prawns in one of the many restaurants followed by a walk down the pier to watch the boats, both pleasure and commercial. Kayaking, paddle boarding and kite surfing are also available in Dun Laoghaire along with cycling and more rock climbing. During the summer months, it's also possible to catch a cruise to picturesque Howth.

Howth is on the other end of the Dart line. Visit Howth once and I guarantee you'll be back for another slice of picture-perfect heaven. Take a dip in Balcadden Bay to the backdrop of caves imbedded into the cliff face before relaxing on the golden sandy beach or perhaps taking a tour around Howth medieval castle, famed for its rhododendron gardens.

Howth makes up part of the Dublin Coastal Trail, which runs from Skerries in the north to Killiney in the south. Hop on the Dart and follow its route for an abundance of walking trails, castles, historical monuments and churches galore.

Jenny O'Brien writes the Gaby Darin detective series for Harper Collins. Her next book, The Puppet Maker, is out in October and set in Dublin.

- The local buses only accept change, or a Leap Pass, which is a similar system to our Puffin Pass, and is available in most supermarkets.
- Shopping. Dublin City is an eclectic mix of High Street and local brands. Designer outlets can be found in Brown Thomas, Wicklow Street and Kildare Village, which is a short train ride away.
- Penney's was set up in St Mary's Street, Dublin in the 1980s. You might have heard of its UK equivalent, Primark. In Eire it's still known as Penney's. There's also Dunne's Stores, which is also popular with the locals.
- As a guide, a pint of Guinness and a glass of wine will set you back between 11 and 13 euros. This excludes Temple Bar, which is more expensive. Restaurant prices are on a par with Guernsey, in some instances cheaper.
- The weather. Pack your mac along with your walking shoes. Heavy downpours aren't uncommon so come prepared. The upside is that there is always a pub or a coffeehouse to hide in until it stops.

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WEST COAST STORY

Having lived a stone's throw from the sea at Portinfer for more than 20 years, Amanda Eulenkamp recalls her fondness for the west coast of Guernsey and its delights.

Next stop, America. When you look out at the horizon from the west coast of Guernsey, that's literally what is next. The sea is a huge part of everyone's life when you live on an island, but living on the west coast was (and is) very special.

Spectacular sunsets that rival the best in the world. Westerly winds that can really whip up a storm, that also teach you to respect the sea. And sandy beaches galore, with rock pools to discover and memories to make.

While you may be visiting the island and thinking that the south coast cliffs are the place to go for great walks (which they undoubtedly are), the west coast offers up a much flatter, less strenuous walk. Although if you walk the entire west coast, it will certainly exercise you!

From Pleinmont in the southwest to Pembroke in the north, what is there on the west coast?

Pleinmont - As well as seeing Jersey and the French coast on a clear day, you can also spot Lihou Island and the Hanois Lighthouse. You'll also come across the impressive WW2 German Naval observation tower which is open to the public on Wednesdays and Sundays from March – October between 2pm and 5pm.

Visit the Fairy Ring, or Tables des Pions, a rings of stones and a

shallow circular trench with various tales of superstition.

Fort Grey - Situated in Rocquaine Bay, the 'Cup and Saucer' is a Martello Tower built in 1804 to defend Guernsey's west coast. It now houses the Shipwreck Museum (open 22 March to 29 October, 10am to 4.30pm). Stop for refreshments over the road at the Guernsey Pearl visitor attraction. Next door is an exhibit of a Roman wreck which was discovered in the harbour of St Peter Port in 1982. Don't miss the Rocquaine Regatta (22 July) or the West Show (16 and 17 August) if you want a flavour of Guernsey events at their best.

Lihou Island - This idyllic, small island is situated just off the west coast and is accessed by a causeway at low tide for about two weeks every month. The 38 acre island is an important nature and conservation area and is listed under the RAMSAR convention due to the abundance of bird and marine life.

The causeway does not open every day, so you will need to check the tide times at gov.gg/lihou for further information about the crossing. Allow at least 20 minutes to cross and wear sensible footwear as the causeway (approximately a quarter of a mile long) has an uneven surface and can be wet and slippery at time.

Vazon - This large expanse of sand is a magnet for the island's extreme sports enthusiasts, including surfing, kite flying and body boarding. There is also sand racing from time to time. Restaurants and kiosks cater for those hungry moments.

Fort Hommet - Situated on the headland of Vazon Bay, Fort Hommet is the site of fortifications that date back to 1680. There is a Martello tower from 1804, with later additions from the Victorian era, plus bunkers and casemates that the Germans constructed during World War II.

Cobo - A village settlement in its own right, Cobo is home to one of the most popular beaches in Guernsey. With a selection of restaurants and pubs, plus a great fish and chip shop, it is the quintessential place from where to watch a stunning west coast sunset.

Grandes Rocques - At the north end of Cobo, Grandes Rocques (technically the rock point at the end of Saline Bay) is popular with families. Take a walk out to the ruins of the fort, where there is plenty to explore. It was constructed c1779 and was altered by the German occupying forces during World War II. While there is a path out there, there is also a rocky route for the more adventurous!

Port Soif and Portinfer - The next two bays north are the beautiful sandy Port Soif (complete with kiosk) and the rockier Portinfer (another surfer's favourite, and one I have a soft spot for, too!).

Les Amarreurs - A small anchorage that is ideal for snorkelling, there is also a children's playground nearby, plus another kiosk! Once you've cleared Les Amarreurs, you can walk over the common to L'Ancrese and Pembroke in the north.

48 HOURS IN BATH





LEFT: THE ROMAN BATHS AND BATH ABBEY. ABOVE: PULTENEY BRIDGE AND RIVER AVON. BELOW LEFT: JANE AUSTEN FESTIVAL. BELOW FAR LEFT: THE CIRCUS. ALL IMAGES ©ISTOCKPHOTO.

If you've never walked the 18th century cobbled streets of Bath with a Bertinet Bakery almond croissant in one hand and a Sally Lunn bun in the other, you're seriously missing out, says Jessamy Baldwin.

Rich in time-spanning history, brimming with top-grade cultural hot spots, full of unique cafes, restaurants, shops and bars, with breathtaking surrounding landscapes to boot - it's no wonder why so many films and TV shows choose to film in Bath (hello, Bridgerton). Take in the pale-stone buildings, sweeping crescents and stately terraces as you switch off from the hustle and bustle of quotidian life back home.

Getting there: Fly direct to Bristol with Aurigny. The Airport Flyer bus will take you direct to Bristol Temple Meads train station. The service runs 24 hours daily, every 12 minutes. From BMT, catch the train to Bath Spa station which takes around 10 minutes.

DAY ONE:

Take in the well-known scenes around Pulteney Bridge and the weir, inspired by Ponte Vecchio in Florence. Now it's on to check out Bath Abbey and its Gothic architecture. Climb the 212 spiral steps to the roof for panoramic views over the city and down to the Roman Baths below you. Next, it's on to the Baths themselves (where the hot springs date back to 44AD). You'll need to book tickets in advance. From here, peruse the pretty streets as you pop in and out of shops and eateries. Walcot

Street, The Circus and Brock Street exude quintessential English charm. Make your way to Victoria Park with its rolling lawns, arboretum and playground. Then walk along the striking 500m Royal Crescent, built in the 1770s with its 30 houses that form a half moon shape. Top it off with a visit to No.1 Royal Crescent, a museum which has been decorated and furnished just as it might have been during the Georgian period. End your day with a show at the Theatre Royal.

DAY TWO:

If you're feeling energetic and the sun is shining, the three-to four-hour Bath Skyline Walk is well worth doing. The 10km path boasts stunning views and you'll see Roman settlements and an Iron Age hill fort while taking in the natural beauty of the West Country. Alternatively, explore the Jane Austen Centre. You can dress up in costumes while sampling Regency food, write using a quill pen and ink, and take your photo with the world-famous Jane Austen waxwork. Another option is an open-top boat trip along the River Avon. The tour starts just below Pulteney Bridge and takes around an hour. You'll travel out into the countryside as far as the pretty little village of Bathampton before returning to Bath. Now, time to unwind at The Thermae Baths. Here you can soak in the natural thermal waters and enjoy stunning views of the city and surrounding hills in the open-air rooftop pool. There are circular glass steam rooms, a sauna and spa treatment rooms above. Advanced booking is necessary.

Where to stay:

The Royal Crescent Hotel, The Priory, Queensbury, No 15 Great Pulteney, lots of Airbnb options.

Where to eat and drink:

There's a fantastic selection of independent coffee shops and cafes around Pulteney Bridge, Walcot Street, Kingsmead Square and the winding lanes of Saville Row and Bartlett Street.

Green Bird Cafe, the Provenist, Sally Lunn's, Courtyard Cafe, Yum Yum Thai Bath, the Good Day Café, Bertinet Bakery and Landrace Bakery are favourites. The Pump Rooms offer their famous traditional cream tea.

Restaurants to check out include The Circus, The Scallop Shell, Chez Dominique, Pinxto Tapas, Mantra, Oak Restaurant and Green Park Brasserie and Bar, Canary Gin Bar, Le Vignoble.

Events:

Local festivals include the International Food Festival, the Music Festival, Bath Walking Festival, Bath Film Festival and Bath Carnival. The city is also famous for its sprawling Christmas market.

Top tip:

Two-hour city walking tours run twice a day on Sunday to Friday (10.30am and 2pm), 10.30am on Saturdays and on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6pm (May-August).



BILBAO - THE ART OF SURPRISE

The capital of Spain's Basque Country has always held a certain mystique for travel writer and blogger, Rupert Diggins. Given that it has never been considered one of the signature Spanish go-to city break destinations, he was intrigued to find out why the city of Bilbao is starting to rise from its industrial past and attract visitors from far and wide.

Arriving at Bilbao Airport I exited through arrivals, hung a right and there I was at the bus ticket counter, which was less than a minute's walk from the bus stop. For a smooth transit on arrival, Bilbao Airport is hard to beat! A ticket to the Plaza Moyua in the heart of Bilbao costs less than £3 and takes just 20 minutes.

Once in town, you will find Bilbao is equally as easy to navigate and

explore. Resting on the banks of the Nervion River, most visitors will choose to walk around this refreshingly safe and clean city. That said, you can also be sure that if you do feel the need for a little assistance then there is an extremely efficient bus, tram or metro service to hand.

As with any major city, accommodation ranges from high-quality hotels to private houses. However, I would suggest choosing a hotel somewhere between the Plaza Moyua and the Casco Viejo - the Old Quarter.

PLAZA MOYUA

Those making their own way to the centre of Bilbao will be dropped off in the Plaza Moyua. It's worth remembering the name as you will often be directed to this plaza whether to take an excursion from this point or simply as a means of navigating yourself to other parts of the city.

CASCO VIEJO - OLD QUARTER

No visit to Bilbao is complete without spending a day and an evening wandering around the matrix of cobbled streets packed with shops, cafes, restaurants and bars. Locals will go from bar to bar for a glass of local wine and a Pintxos - a small snack such as Gilda with peppers (anchovy), Pinch de Chorizo Y Manchego (pork sausage, cheese and oil), or Tortilla de Patata (potato omelette, sometimes with onion).

In the heart of the Old Quarter is my favourite location in Bilbao - the Plaza Nueva. This Neoclassical designed square dates back to 1851. Today it is home to a weekly market on Sundays and throughout the week it is a hub of activity where friendly locals mix with tourists and enjoy al fresco drinks and pintxos in the many bars that surround the square.



LEFT: PLAZA MOYUA. ABOVE: LA SALVE BRIDGE AND GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM. RIGHT: AERIAL VIEW OF THE OLD TOWN. ALL IMAGES ©ISTOCKPHOTO.

This is a little snapshot of true Basque life and worth every moment - if only to people watch!

GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM

The building of the Guggenheim Museum in 1997 rather changed the city's fortunes. This modern art and contemporary museum is made from titanium sheets and is the city's most famous attraction. Inside are three floors of exhibitions from leading world-renowned artists. My favourite exhibit was actually outside - a giant spider called 'Maman', which is supposed to project awe and fear - I loved it!

GIN PALACES, WINE, TEA AND THE UNUSUAL

Wandering around Bilbao with no fixed agenda is something to savour. More often than not, I ended up stopping for a drink and a Pintxos, and every time it was a different experience. At the Baobab Cafe down on the riverfront overlooking the Old Town, you can enjoy a wide





SAN JUAN DE GAZTELUGATXE.
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selection of teas in a Bohemian-style cafe oozing character and charm. If gin is your thing then stop at the Gin Fizz Cafe close to the Guggenheim where the bartender is an artist himself, delivering a cocktail that will certainly hit the mark! For those of you into the weird and wonderful, how about the Kubrick, a Mecca to fans of film director Stanley Kubrick?

SHOPPING

The main street that connects the Casco Viejo and Plaza Mayua is the Lopez De Haro, which then extends onto the Grand Via. Here you will find a wide choice of fashion boutiques, shopping centres and familiar brands. In general, I found Bilbao to be fantastic value for money, so make sure you leave some space in that suitcase.

SAN MAMES STADIUM

If you talk to a local about football, there is only going to be one team on their mind - Athletic Bilbao, the famous football team that plays in the top tier of Spanish football. They are a unique club as they only allow players with Basque heritage to play for them so their 'pool' of talent is less; however, despite this, they continue to maintain their

top-flight position. Their home is the impressive San Mames stadium, known as the Cathedral of Football. You can get a tour of the stadium or, like me, when a game is taking place just hop on to their website and buy a ticket.

THE FUNICULAR RAILWAY

For a different perspective of the city, head to the Funicular Railway which will whisk you up to a spectacular viewpoint for as little as €4 return for the five-minute ride. At the top is a small park for children to play, as well as views across the city and mountains beyond. Bilbao is known rather unflatteringly as 'El Boxtó' or in English 'The Hole', and from this vantage point, you can see how it has got this name.

FURTHER AFIELD

Just 45 minutes by bus from Bilbao is Gaztelugatxe. An islet connected to the mainland by a bridge, it is home to the small chapel of St John. San Juan de Gaztelugatxe may be recognised as the island fortress of 'Dragonstone' from season 7 of Game of Thrones.

You may choose to take the guided tour to the top or do it yourself, meaning a lung-busting walk uphill from the seaside town of Bakio. The

views are incredible. There is a restaurant on the mainland hillside in front of the islet, the perfect place to rest those weary legs.

Nearby is another small island, Aketx.

San Sebastián is the home of the Pintxos, so an early morning 90-minute bus trip is well worth the wake-up call. This beautiful city has three wonderful beaches, an Old Quarter, a couple of mountains to climb for awesome views of the city and surroundings and the food is off the scale. A visit to the Basque Country is not complete without at least a day trip to San Sebastián.

A WELCOME SURPRISE

Perhaps the biggest question I had prior to visiting, was whether there was going to be enough for me to do during my stay. I need not have worried. Bilbao is a city worthy of being added to those many Spanish city break options. Its raw urban vibe and history, sensational gastronomy, quality shopping, friendly, welcoming people and safe and clean streets made for a welcome surprise. I loved Bilbao and I am sure you will too.

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PORTO - DISCOVER THE MAGIC

It is believed that J K Rowling sought inspiration for her Harry Potter novels in Porto. Travel writer and blogger, Rupert Diggins would not be surprised in the slightest, as Portugal's second city is both spellbinding and magical, as he discovered on a recent visit.





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ABOVE L-R: SAINT TIAGO SQUARE, GUIMARÃES; THE LIVRARIA LELLO.
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What I had not realised is just how much there is to see and do in Porto. This is not just a city break destination. I visited in spring and was staying at the lovely 4* Catalonia Hotel on the edge of the historic centre. This small spa hotel, with an outside garden terrace and pool, understands the demand of many visitors like myself, who seek a little peace and quiet after a long day out exploring.

PONTE DE DOM LUIS 1 BRIDGE

Having sought some local advice and tips from my hotel reception, it was suggested that I visit the Ponte De Dom Luis 1 Bridge. I walked downhill through a maze of cobbled streets that oozed character and charm, before arriving at the entry point, alongside which were souvenir shops, offering everything from ceramic door numbers to Ronaldo football shirts.

Stepping onto the iron suspension bridge can at first make you feel a little uneasy as you are very high up above this incredible city. Listen out for the high-pitched toot of a train, meaning you should step to one side to allow it to pass. It's all part of the fun, with the reward being one of the most fabulous city landscape views in all of Europe.

THE DOURO RIVER

Splitting the city in two is the beautiful Douro River. As you look out West from the bridge you will see Porto on your right and Vila Nova De Gaia with its Port wine lodges on your left.

If you are thinking of taking a boat trip, then why not book one of the city bus tours which includes a boat trip for about €22? These will take you under the many bridges that cross the Douro and allow you to marvel at the majesty of the city from the water.

THE CAIS DA RIBEIRA PROMENADE

The most celebrated promenade is known as the Cais da Ribeira. This bustling riverside street, at the base of the Old Town on the Porto side of the river, comes alive in the late afternoon and early evening, with street performers and musicians entertaining those dining or enjoying a sundowner in one of the many al fresco restaurants.

FUNICULAR DOS GUINDAIS

At the base of the suspension bridge is the Funicular dos Guindais. A short ride takes you to the Rua Augusto Rosa. At the top, you can hop on one of the two vintage trams that carry passengers to all the major landmarks in the city as well as the Atlantic beaches on the outskirts of the city.

SÃO BENTO RAILWAY STATION

While on the subject of transport, it is worth noting that the Sao Bento Railway station is one of Europe's most ornate and decorated stations. A step into the main hall and you will be amazed at the blue and white 'azulejo' tiles that adorn the walls and ceilings. Personally, I feel it is worth a visit even if you are not heading off anywhere - it is that much of an attraction.

HISTORY

For those keen to learn about the city's history and architecture there is much for you to enjoy. The 12th century cathedral, or Sé do Porto, overlooks the Cais da Ribeira. It is situated in Porto's historic centre and offers a great insight into the city's long and rich history.

Other sites include the Praça da Liberdade, which is home to the impressive Town Hall, or at the Praça Infante Dom Henrique plaza there is the majestic Palacio da Bolsa and the Igreja de São Francisco church.

LIVRARIA LELLO

An increasingly popular attraction in Porto is the neo-Gothic bookshop called the Livraria Lello, where J K Rowling is believed to have been inspired to write the Harry Potter series. You book a ticket online for €5. That gets you in, although if you buy a book in the store you get the money back off your purchase. This magical little bookshop has a bucket load of history, charm and atmosphere, plus a magnificent staircase and stained glass window.

VILA NOVA DE GAIA

Anyone who enjoys a glass or two of Port cannot leave Porto without tasting one of the country's most famous exports. If you take a stroll along the banks of Douro on the Vila Nova De Gaia side you will notice the various branded Port wine lodges, such as Cockburn's, Graham's and Taylor's, to name but a few. To accompany the port there are also some fabulous restaurants in the vicinity!



ABOVE L-R: MOLICEIRO BOATS ON THE RIA CANAL, AVEIRO; VINTAGE TRAM. BELOW: SÃO JOÃO FESTIVAL IN BRAGA. ALL IMAGES ©ISTOCKPHOTO

CABLE CAR

If you happen to sample too many of those Port wines, you may need a little assistance leaving the riverside, so why not jump on the Teleferica de Gaia, or cable car, that is located close to the wine lodges and caves and takes you to the top of the Ponte De Dom Luis 1 Bridge.

THE BEACHES BY TRAM

It came as a surprise to me that Porto has a rather popular and highly rated coastal resort with impressive beaches suitable for both family and sports lovers.

From Porto, make your way to the tram stop by the Gothic Church known as the Igreja de San Francisco and take the number 1 tram from Porto to Foz Do Douro. The journey is just €5 one way or €7 return.

Foz do Douro is a sleepy, yet authentic, piece of Portugal and home to a few excellent clothes boutiques as well as bars and restaurants. From Foz do Douro I jumped on a bus that took me to Matosinhos. This spectacular wide open beach which is popular with surfers has many restaurants for a terrific well-priced seafood lunch.

FURTHER AFIELD

After a few days in Porto, you may want a break from city life and have a day out to discover what can be enjoyed within about an hour of the city by car, train or bus.

You could visit the seaside town of Aveiro, considered to be Portugal's Venice, for its canals,

gondolas and old town. There is the World Heritage site and town of Guimarães which is the birthplace of the Portuguese nation.

I chose to visit the medieval city of Braga which proudly sits alongside the stunning hilltop sanctuary, Bom Jesus do Monte. The train journey takes 70 minutes and cost me a mere €7 on a spotless train. While not a large city, what it lacks in size it makes up for in character. Braga's streets are full of beautifully decorated shops, restaurants and cafes as well as well tended gardens. If you fancy a chat with a charismatic local, head to the tiny Fernando's bar under the tower, or for a sweet treat try Leonidas for a coffee and chocolate truffles.

SUNSET OVER PORTO

To end my magical stay in Porto I took one last stroll over the Ponte De Dom Luis 1 Bridge to the Jardim Do Morro, a grassy bank on the hillside where hordes of people gather every night to view the sun setting over the Douro River and Porto. It is quite an event with musicians and street entertainers playing to the crowds. As the moment arrives, the musicians stop playing and all you hear is the click of cameras and the gasps of delight as Mother Nature works her own magic and provides us all with yet another special memory to savour from this magnificent city.

Porto cast a spell on me - I wish you an equally magical stay!



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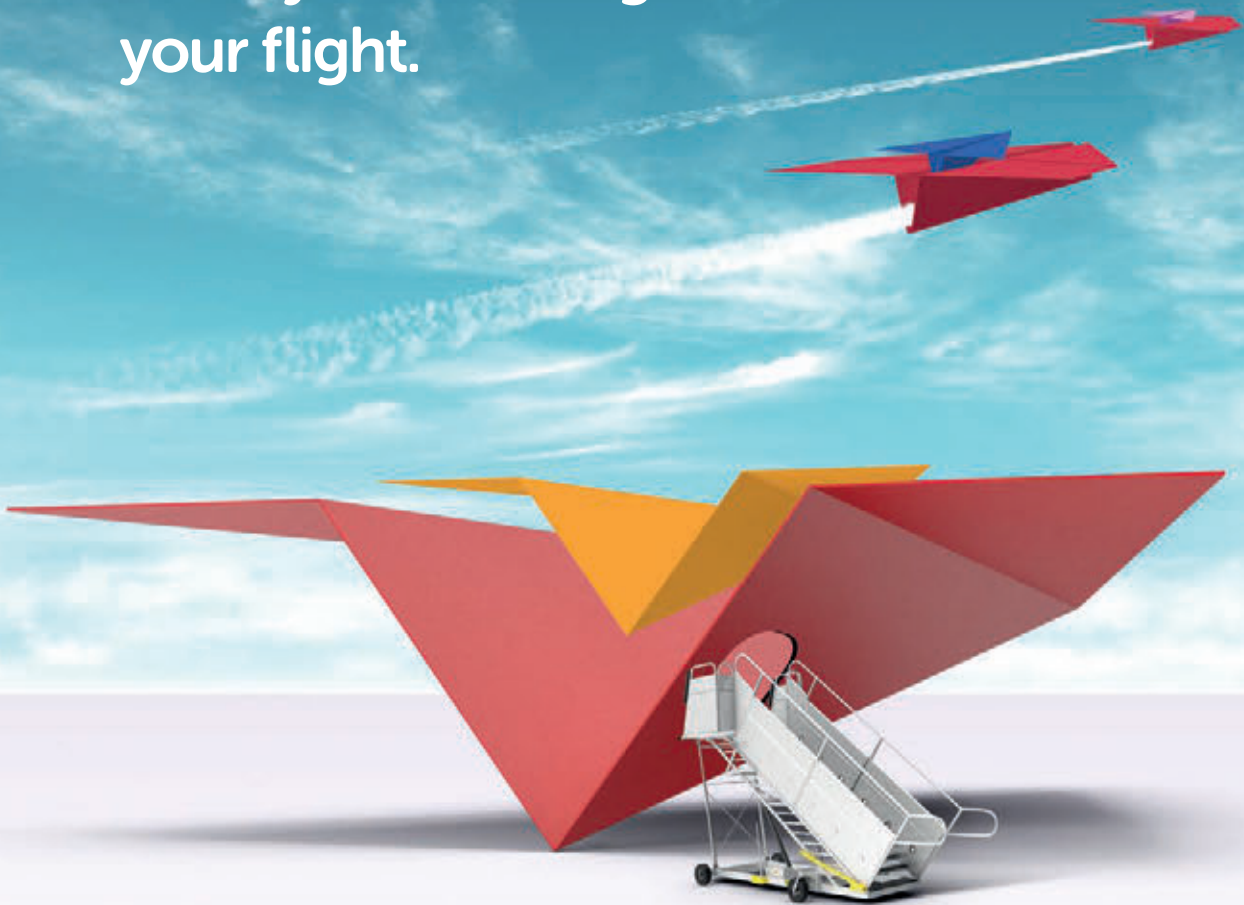
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ASPIDA AND BLANCHELANDE COLLEGE JOIN FORCES

Aspida Advisory Services has sponsored Blanchelande's brand new Robotics Club.

The idea of the new Robotics Club will introduce Blanchelande students from years 6-10 to LEGO Education SPIKE Prime.

SPIKE Prime is considered to be a leading global science, technology, engineering & mathematics learning tool for students above the age of 10. It combines colourful LEGO building elements, easy-to-use hardware, and an intuitive drag-and-drop coding language based on Scratch.

Aspida has donated 10 top-of-the-range laptops to enable each team to work dynamically and code on the move while testing and iterating on their programs using their robots

and will also be donating their time help guide the Robotics teams.

'When Blanchelande approached us with this opportunity, we jumped at the chance to support them,' said Kevin Gilligan, Head of Aspida Advisory Services.

'Working with AI and powerful software tools in the workplace every day means we are perfectly positioned to create coding challenges for the students to learn from and our colleagues are equally excited to be involved with the lessons to explore STEM and show them how it can connect with their future careers with technology. We as a Group are looking forward to growing the Robotics Club with Blanchelande and seeing where it can go.'

ROCQUETTE INVESTMENT WILL INCREASE OUTPUT AND QUALITY



Rocquette Cider has made a major investment to upgrade its keg cleaning and filling equipment at its farm's production facility.

A state-of-the-art German-built machine, designed to fit their compact production space by Vigo engineers from Exeter was trialled over the winter. Its arrival was much-delayed by supply chain complications but it is now ready to fill kegs for this summer.

Rocquette Cider now supplies about 2,200 50-litre kegs, or 193,600 pints, within the Bailiwick every year, alongside bottles and the 'bag in a box' ciders it produces, and it supplies a brewery in Essex.

ROSSBOROUGH INSURANCE CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY IN GUERNSEY



Gallagher owned insurance risk management partner, Rossborough, is celebrating its 50th year as a specialist, local broker in Guernsey. To mark the occasion, Rossborough is hosting a series of celebratory activities throughout 2023, including its first event at Good Rebel.

Richard Clarke, Managing Director of Rossborough (Guernsey), said: 'It truly is a momentous occasion to celebrate 50 years of Rossborough's rich history in Guernsey with our clients and staff. Marking our milestone year by moving into our refurbished office allows us to look forward to the future with confidence. The new office will also help us better provide a full service to our commercial clients, combining our local presence and knowledge as a specialist broker with our expertise in global markets underpinned by Gallagher.'



Brett Bewey, Manager in Audit and Assurance at Deloitte, Joe Truelove from Guernsey Athletics.

DELOITTE ANNOUNCED AS NEW SPONSOR FOR 2023 ALL TERRAIN CHALLENGE

Taking place on 23 – 29 July, the All Terrain Challenge features a different running challenge each day, concluding in Herm for the final race, followed by a presentation evening in the Mermaid.

It is a long-standing event in the Guernsey athletics calendar, with races taking place in a variety of locations around the island which push participants to their limits. The events range from hill climbs, cliff paths routes and fast road races.

Avid runner Brett Bewey, Manager in Audit and Assurance at Deloitte, said: 'As a keen participant in the All Terrain Challenge for the past five years, I am thrilled that Deloitte is sponsoring the event this year. I have seen first-hand the participants' spirit, perseverance, and sense of accomplishment that the event offers and I'm looking forward to supporting the challenge with Deloitte as sponsor.'



SECOND MERIDIAN BREW CO. USING SOLAR POWER

Sixteen 450-watt solar panels have been installed to run the brewery. At maximum capacity, the panels can generate 7.4kwh of energy. Eight panels are fitted to the West and eight to the East for maximum efficiency during daylight hours. On a clear, sunny day, the panels can generate up to 6kwh of power.

2M does not brew every day, meaning most of the power generated by the panels is fed directly back to the island's grid. This offsets days where the group are brewing and use more than the power generated by the panels on the same day, resulting in a net-zero carbon footprint.

2M's first net-zero beers are called 'Drip' and 'Ripples'.

'Turning our hobby into a business as friends has been incredibly hard work, but also hugely rewarding and it gives us the freedom to do what is important to us,' said co-founder, Sam Hamperl. 'Using renewable energy was always top of our list; brewing beer will mean nothing without a healthy planet to drink it on.'

'We would like to see every business in Guernsey across any industry look at how they could be using renewable energy. 'Whether it be buying local produce, or using companies that ensure fairtrade practices or utilise renewable energy, consumers have a lot of power in their choices. We hope anyone enjoying our beer will also feel pleased that they are helping to support the environment.'

ORCHARD SHORTLISTED FOR NATIONAL AWARD

Channel Islands PR and communications agency Orchard has been shortlisted for the first time in the Small PR Consultancy of the Year category in the industry's prestigious CIPR Excellence Awards.

Judged by a panel of 60 respected industry experts, the national awards recognise the work of public relations practitioners from across the world.

'Our ambition from the very beginning was to aim high, and benchmark ourselves against the very best agencies in the industry,' said managing director, client services, Brooke Kenyon. 'To say I am proud of our team is an understatement. Seeing the hard work, drive, and dedication of everyone at Orchard



result in national recognition is something of a dream for us.

'We always relish the opportunity to place Guernsey firmly on the PR map globally, and demonstrate the capacity there is on the island to do

award-winning work for our clients.'

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THE CALM AFTER THE STORM?

A PROPERTY MARKET UPDATE FROM SWOFFERS - THE ISLAND'S MOST EXPERIENCED ESTATE AGENT.

The post-pandemic years were the busiest seen by estate agents in living memory. Having gone through lockdown, people wanted bigger houses with gardens and space to spread out. As the dust settles after one of the strangest periods of most people's lives, so has the property market. For buyers and sellers at least; those looking to rent it has never been more difficult.

LOCAL MARKET

The last property price bulletin from the States of Guernsey, for the first quarter of 2023, showed fewer transactions and a slight fall in the average price of local market property, the with average price standing at just under £614,000. This is 3.8% lower than the previous quarter, but still 7.1% higher than 12 months earlier.

There were 68 fewer local market transactions in January to March than in the previous period, and 86 fewer than the first quarter of 2022.

'The figures don't really come as much of a surprise. It's well documented the market peaked last year and was always going to cool off,' said Antonia Thomas from Swoffers' Local Market team.

'The good news is that there are still plenty of buyers around, the market has just become more price sensitive. We are also starting to see stock levels increase, which is great news for buyers.'

Rising interest rates have been a challenge for buyers, and it's taken time for them to adjust, revising their budgets and working out affordability on top of the other costs involved with buying. For sellers, it is a more price-sensitive market than it was last year, so they're having to be more realistic when marketing their properties.

'Last year was unprecedented and the market peaked, so naturally the volume of sales was never going to be the same,' said Mrs Thomas.

'Stock levels are likely to increase and there are some super properties coming to the market, meaning more choice for purchasers and a return to a 'normal' pre-pandemic market where purchasers have the time to view several properties before making their final decision.

'It's also worth noting that the volume of sales in the last couple of years means that many people are "sorted" in terms of property. So, it's understandable that the number of transactions would naturally fall - there are only so many people on the island.'



Antonia Thomas
Local Market



Alex Stuart
Open Market



Laura Gorvel
Rentals

OPEN MARKET

The latest property price bulletin shows that the raw median price (reality only) of the 14 Open Market transactions in the first quarter of 2023 was £1,779,375, compared with £1,216,313 in the first quarter of 2022. This market also had a slower start to the year, with reduced levels of available property and the general economic climate making people slightly more cautious in their property searches. However, things have begun to pick up, and Swoffers has been responsible for 66% of all agency sales on the Open Market so far this year, continuing where they left off in 2022.

'Guernsey is still a very attractive destination and with a UK general election looming on the horizon we are optimistic that this will help continue positive interest levels in Guernsey from people looking to relocate,' said Alex Stuart from the Open Market team.

'As Guernsey remains an attractive destination compared to the unsettled nature of the UK, we expect the quieter period at the start of this year to be a temporary dip. We anticipate the rest of the year to be positive for the Open Market.'

RENTALS

The average monthly cost of renting in Guernsey now stands at £1,788 a month, and stock levels of rental property remain a concern.

This has not been helped by the decision by the States to increase document duty on second properties at the end of last year. The rental market needs buy-to-let investors and they are simply investing elsewhere. We hope the States will reconsider this policy.

Laura Gorvel from the Local Market lettings team added: 'It is a difficult time for Local Market renters. With property in such high demand, we are regularly meeting the same applicants time and time again trying to find them a suitable property. Applicants with pets are finding it very difficult to obtain a rental property which is pet-friendly.

'We have a lot more active applicants looking to rent now compared to 2022 and we can't see local rentals slowing down anytime soon. With a lot of people relocating to Guernsey on local licences, it's only going to increase, and sourcing sufficient stock is a challenge.'

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MARTIN & MARTIN CELEBRATES HALF CENTURY

Local jeweller Paul Martin started making and selling jewellery in 1973. He talks to Amanda Eulenkamp about his unique Patois collection, and what's changed over the last 50 years.

According to Paul, whether you handmade a piece of jewellery 50 years ago or today, it's virtually the same process. But the way jewellery is designed has changed radically.

'Computer-aided design has really changed things. We have a 3D printer which enables us to print pieces out, so the customer can see and try on a piece easily. This gives the client a real feel for a piece before committing' he says.

Paul explains that, while the technique hasn't changed much, it's really the equipment that has changed. Most importantly it is the attention to detail and customer service of the team at Martin & Martin that has remained constant throughout time.

Paul completed his apprenticeship in 1973, then had to 'beg, steal and borrow' to start his own business. Originally in Trinity Square, the business moved initially to Mill Street and, finally, to the present premises on the corner in Commercial Arcade. The design studio is downstairs and is a hive of activity. Upstairs, display cases show off the beautiful and unique jewellery that the company has become known for.

'We have built the business by making our own jewellery; we have always made things slightly heavier than others, with decent shanks and shoulders on the rings that are built to last,' says Paul.

SENTIMENTAL JEWELLERY

Something that Martin & Martin are passionate about, is recycling jewellery for clients that they may have inherited or grown tired of. 'Redesigning a piece of jewellery is something that you have to be very sensitive about,' he says. 'You need to ensure that you

honour the original piece while ensuring that it is wearable for the modern day.'

PATOIS JEWELLERY

The Patois collection, which is designed and made by Martin & Martin, takes inspiration from Guernsey's variant of the Norman language, Guernesias. Each piece is inscribed with a word or phrase of Guernsey French, or Patois, and are available in a range of precious metals. Silver, rose gold and yellow gold add individuality to the pieces.

'It started with a customer asking for a piece of jewellery for her husband, with a saying engraved in Guernsey Patois. The husband was really pleased, and over the next three or four months, her friends and other people asked for them. So, I contacted Marie de Garis, who had written the definitive Guernsey French dictionary many years before and asked her to translate half a dozen phrases.

'The design was inspired by the waves of the sea.'

There are around 190 designs now and commissions for one-off pieces, each hallmarked, including Martin & Martin's own hallmark, have also been made, sometimes recreating the pieces in different languages for individual clients.

The name of Martin & Martin has become synonymous with high quality and creativity – if you want a little piece of Guernsey to take home with you, you can't do better than a piece of Patois jewellery.

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CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF CAREY OLSEN

Carey Olsen is celebrating its 125th anniversary this year. Founded in Guernsey in 1898, the practice has served as a trusted legal adviser to a wide range of local and international clients for over 100 years.

Today the firm is one of the world's largest offshore law firms, with 70 partners, 300 lawyers and 600 staff across a network of nine offices advising on Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Guernsey and Jersey law.

HOW IT ALL STARTED

Advocate (later Sir) Victor Carey started his legal career in Guernsey as a sole principal in 1898. He was 27 years old when he was sworn in as a member of the Guernsey Bar. In those days the study period at Caen was three years and very few people undertook this career path.

During the first 100 years the firm developed and expanded with other practitioners including Sir Victor Carey's son, Michael Carey and then grandson (de Vic Carey, later Sir de Vic Carey) who, like his grandfather before him, became Bailiff of Guernsey - as did Sir Graham Dorey another former partner. In 1973 the firm joined forces with the practice of Advocate John Langlois to form Carey Langlois, which became one of Guernsey's largest law firms. In 2003, Carey Langlois merged with Jersey law firm Olsen's to become Carey Olsen.

A NUMBER OF FIRSTS

During its lifespan Carey Olsen has led the way on several innovative legal developments in Guernsey and been involved in some pioneering transactions and cases, such as:

- Forming the first captive insurance company in 1922,
- Forming the first private trust foundation,
- Establishing the first closed-ended listed fund,
- Establishing the world's first investment company protected cell company,
- Establishing the world's first listed private equity partnership,

- Establishing the first Guernsey Green fund – the first regulated green fund of its kind in the world and
- Successfully defending against Guernsey's first gross negligence manslaughter trial.

OTHER NOTABLE MILESTONES

Rosalyn Brelsford made legal history in 1973 when she became the first female lawyer admitted to the Guernsey Bar. Her ground-breaking career continued when she was appointed a partner at Carey Langlois and was the first female to hold this position at any Guernsey law firm. Later in 2001, the firm set up an office in London which was the forerunner to other Guernsey firms establishing a presence in the City.

TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS

The firm was an early adopter when it came to technological advancements, being the first law firm in Court Row to have a computer, which took up an entire room at the time. Word processors and emails in the workplace were also introduced in 1991. Lawyers had to rapidly adapt and add typing to their skillset once computers were rolled out across the firm in 1995.

CAREY OLSEN TODAY

Carey Olsen today remains a full-service law firm and is very proud of its Guernsey roots and its contribution to the Bailiwick community. There are currently 131 staff and 16 partners in Guernsey, with many specialist lawyers advising both local and international clients across various practice areas. Eight Carey Olsen staff have clocked up over 40 years' service with the record standing at 49 years of employment for one employee, who joined straight from school in 1968.

To kick off the 125-year celebrations the firm hosted a special anniversary lunch for retired partners. Sir de Vic Carey, John Langlois, Rosalyn Brelsford, Nigel Carey, Ian Beattie, Graham Hall and Konrad Friedlaender joined some of the current partners at the aptly named 'La Reunion' restaurant to catch up and share fond memories.



CYBER INSURANCE - DOES YOUR BUSINESS VALUE ITS REPUTATION?

BY OLIVER GOATER, MANAGING DIRECTOR, NETWORK

ADVERTORIAL

Cyber Risk is one of the hot topics of the moment and continues its inexorable rise up the list of concerns for businesses worldwide. You only need to watch the news to know the risk of cyber threats is greater than ever before. These high-profile attacks, like the recent attack on the NHS, underline how important it is for businesses to take their cyber security seriously.

The true cost of cybercrime has been estimated to be on average £300-£400bn a year globally and a recent UK government survey estimated that 81% of large corporations and 60% of small businesses suffered a cyber breach.

All businesses, from a small florist to large multinational banks, have a duty of care to keep data secure, and the ramifications of not doing so can lead to severe legal, financial and reputational damage. If your business processes sensitive data, such as credit cards, or you have intellectual property or personal information on your employees, customers or contractors, you need to consider your cyber risk.

Cyber insurance is developing rapidly to cover these risks and the range of cover in this competitive market has expanded considerably over the past few years.

Despite these developments and the news headlines, many businesses still do not purchase cyber insurance, either due to its perceived high cost, a lack of understanding of what is and isn't covered or because they believe they will never suffer a cyber-attack.

Many large companies have been under attack in the last 3 years, including Apple, Sony, Samsung, Yahoo, Wonga and Tesco to name but a few. One would hope these companies have suitable cover in place

to protect against these attacks. But it isn't only big companies that can get attacked; recently a small local family business lost £18,000 after falling victim to a sophisticated email fraud. To put this in perspective, it is estimated that the average cost of a cyber-security breach is £600k- £1.5m. for large businesses and £65,000 - £115,000 for SMEs.

Hackers are always on the lookout for weak points in a security system and no single technology exists that will prevent a cyber-attack and, even if there were, there is always likely to be an unavoidable lag between the onset of new threats and the development of new technology to prevent it. Having a cyber insurance in place can assist with this in the event of an attack/breach.

Not only could a breach result in a loss of sensitive data and reputational damage with a business's customer base, but there is also the possibility of regulatory action and fines. With the introduction of the new data protection rules (The General Protection Regulation), there are now severe penalties for data breaches and, while this is a wider subject, all organisations need to consider this more fully. An example of where Cyber Insurance could potentially assist financially is the payment of the fine, as the maximum fine under the new law for serious breaches could potentially rise as high as €20m.

Directors of companies must also recognise the risk of cyber-related directors' and officers' claims. While not yet common in UK/Europe, directors in the US are facing legal action stemming from oversights in their company's cyber security and it will only be a matter of time before we see this as an emerging threat to directors here, who will be held to account over any failures of a company's privacy and data protection policies.

It is therefore vitally important when reviewing your cyber risk and obtaining cover that you look at all the emerging cyber risks: from data breaches and network outages to corrupt data, lost customers, regulatory fines, litigation claims and cyber extortion payments. What is the function of cyber cover?

A cyber insurance policy is not a traditional insurance policy that will pay out a monetary amount in the event of a loss. The benefits it provides are much broader and in fact it is the access to expertise, advice and support that you would otherwise not have that is the real benefit.



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Here are some examples of the more common insuring clauses and where they would apply:

- Data breach – Cover would be provided for losses incurred by you if you suffer from the unauthorised access, use or disclosure of personal data. Cover would generally include expenses related to the management of an incident, the investigation, the remediation, data subject notification, call management, credit checking for data subjects, legal costs, court attendance and regulatory fines.
- Multimedia/Media liability cover - If a claim is made against you arising from the content of your email, website or other electronic communications as a result of alterations made by a hacker, Insurers would pay for compensation and defence costs.
- Extortion liability- Cover is typically provided for losses due to a threat of extortion and professional fees related to and dealing with the extortion.
- Network security/Privacy liability – Cover would be provided for third-party damages as a result of breach of confidence or invasion of privacy, including public disclosure of private facts or of confidential information or intrusion into private life, or failure to maintain the security of personal data or to comply with the requirements of data protection legislation.

WHAT STEPS CAN I TAKE TO MITIGATE THE CYBER THREAT?

Of course, merely purchasing cyber insurance could also give rise to a moral hazard as companies may

then be loath to spend money on technology solutions and cyber controls – thus transferring their risk entirely, rather than investing in risk mitigation efforts to improve their cyber security.

It is essential for businesses to have a comprehensive risk management strategy, which involves human strategies, technology and insurance and these should encompass:

- Mapping your critical data;
- Explain and educate the importance of data security to employees;
- Ensure your antivirus software is up to date;
- Develop a cyber incident response plan;
- Ask your IT department/supplier to carry out a Cyber Risk stress test; and finally
- Purchase a Cyber Insurance cover

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THE 'COMMON LAW MARRIAGE' MYTH

ELIZABETH COUCH, PARTNER, COLLAS CRILL



Cohabiting couples are the fastest growing family model in the UK. According to the Census 2021, the proportion of people in a co-habiting relationship (not a marriage or civil partnership) has increased from a fifth in 2011 to nearly a quarter in 2021, an increase across all age groups aged under 85 years.

Whereas historically cohabitation was seen as a 'trial run' before marriage and children, the statistics support the reality that cohabitation is now an active choice by couples, many of whom go on to raise children together.

Changes in social attitude towards legitimacy may well account for this increase. Many couples actively shun marriage, but while cohabitation is now increasingly seen as a socially accepted trend, the law has not kept up. The lack of legal rights for long-term unmarried couples is a significant and long-standing issue, and reform is long overdue.

Many people still erroneously believe they have rights as 'common law spouses', but in fact there is no such status or concept in law. As a result, some cohabiting families find themselves in real financial difficulties should they separate, particularly where children are involved.

Whereas married couples can resort to the Court to impose a fair settlement on divorce, there is no such provision for cohabiting couples. The net result can be catastrophically unfair. The fact of marriage can leave two families in starkly different positions on the breakdown of the relationship.

As an example, consider a man and woman who have been in a relationship for 20 years, have three children together, live in a property held in the sole name of the father (who works) and where it was agreed that the mother would give up work to care for the children. On separation, it is agreed that the children should reside with the mother. If they were married, the Court retains a wide discretion upon an application made by either or both parents for an order for a lump sum, transfer of the matrimonial home, spousal maintenance for themselves or child maintenance for the children. Given that the mother has no independent income, the Court is likely to ensure that the mother has adequate financial provision so that her needs are met as well as those of the children. The Court may further direct that the

former matrimonial home be sold in order to provide each party with funds to re-house themselves and the children. An order for child maintenance could also be made.

Conversely, for the same couple who have cohabited as opposed to being married for 20 years, there is no recourse to the Court by either cohabitee for financial support for themselves (maintenance), even if the mother has been entirely dependent (by agreement) upon the father for the duration of the relationship. The legal ownership of the property assumes critical importance, unlike if the parties were married.

Cohabiting couples are left to fall back on general property law principles, which are at odds with the generous provisions within divorce legislation. Whilst child maintenance is available and can be ordered, a mother in these circumstances is likely to be left in severe financial difficulties, especially when compared to a wife with the same background.

Many lawyers and commentators consider that this area of family law is in urgent need of an overhaul. For now though the position remains that cohabitees should think carefully and seek legal advice about how best they might protect themselves and their families in the event of a breakdown of the relationship.

For advice on this topic or any aspect of family law, please contact Collas Crill's family law team on 01481 734228 or visit collascrill.com.



STAYING ON TOP OF THE BOARD:

OCORIAN HIGHLIGHTS THE IMPORTANCE OF BOARD EVALUATION



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Two-fifths of the world's CEOs believe their business will no longer exist in 10 years' time based on their current trajectories.¹

This stark figure reflects the unpredictable economic conditions, along with environmental threats created by climate change, geopolitical tensions and increasing regulatory burdens.

Now more than ever it is critical that companies have an effective board that can navigate the multitude of challenges their businesses face, and one that is flexible enough to capitalise on potential opportunities.

However just 29% of C-Suite executives² rate their board performance as good or excellent, which suggests improvement is needed.

INDEPENDENT EVALUATION

The three different Corporate Governance Codes imposed in Guernsey, Jersey and the UK all require businesses to conduct regular evaluations of their boards.

While regulators do not demand that board evaluations be conducted by an independent body, the UK government is clear that 'an external review is typically more detailed than an internal one, with greater focus on specific issues e.g. relationships and behaviours. An external review allows the board an opportunity

for candid self-reflection, which can be difficult when the board is undertaking the review itself.³

It is worth noting, regulators use their assessment of board effectiveness at the start of every regulatory visit as a litmus test; determining if the business is being run as they expect and guide them towards areas they wish to focus on.

But it is not just regulators who value independent evaluation. A third-party specialist assessment of the board's efficacy is also beneficial to investors who are under increasing pressure to demonstrate a commitment to robust corporate governance across their portfolios, in line with a growing focus on environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations.

THE PROCESS

Independent board evaluations typically cover six stages (see boxout). The goal is to fully understand and assess the entire remit of the board, from its composition, including skills and expertise as well as diversity and inclusion, to succession planning, board dynamics and risk exposure.

Following a thorough investigation, which includes an anonymised questionnaire and one-to-one interviews with key members, the evaluators deliver a report to the board.

The final report reveals the board's strengths and weaknesses and

allows companies to capitalise on what they are getting right and correct where processes or individuals fall short.

TYPICAL CHALLENGES UNCOVERED BY BOARD EVALUATIONS

Independent board evaluations can uncover challenges, which once resolved allow companies to function more effectively. And while no two boards are the same, there are challenges that surface time and again.

More executives than ever before want to remove an ineffective board director – a 2022 survey of C-suite executives found 89% believe one or more directors should be replaced, which compares to 53% who said that no change was needed the year before.⁴

Executives also report a worrying lack of requisite skills and diversity on the board. Just 29% say their board has the right mix of skills and expertise, while only 21% say the board has enough gender, racial and ethnic diversity.

In addition, executives report challenges, including excessive deference to veteran board members, a reluctance to retire, board members who are stretched too thin from holding several non-executive director roles and domineering chairs who are unwilling to hear opinions from other directors.



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HOW IMPORTANT IS IT TO ADDRESS FEEDBACK FOLLOWING BOARD EVALUATIONS?

Just 29% of C-suite executives think their boards do not need to change, which highlights the importance of regular reviews to ascertain where improvements can be made.⁴

Boards need to be reinvigorated and refreshed if they are to keep pace with changing business dynamics, regulatory requirements and wider ESG risks. Furthermore, it is imperative boards are equipped with a suitable mix of people to give a variety of viewpoints and ideas.

Confronting challenges on a board may be daunting, particularly given the involvement of the company's most senior personnel, but with the help of an independent evaluation service companies can receive a dispassionate account of how the entire board operates, with suggestions for a clear programme for change.

Independent board evaluations go beyond a simple compliance box-ticking exercise to allow a company to move forward in the most effective way, really adding value to the business.

Only by fully understanding how the company's directors operate

can businesses hope to survive long into the future.

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INDEPENDENT BOARD EVALUATION IN SIX STEPS

- 1. Project initiation** – Establish the business context and agree the review scope and objectives.
- 2. Data gathering** – Conduct a governance and board effectiveness questionnaire.
- 3. Governance structure reviews** – Assess the adequacy of board documentation, policies, procedures and management information.
- 4. Interaction** – One-to-one interviews with board members to establish career history, experience and discuss findings of the questionnaire. Board meeting observation

to understand how business is conducted, the process for prioritising board matters, the relationships and how they are managed and the way in which decisions are taken.

- 5. Analysis and findings** – Review and assessment of results and determination of findings.
- 6. Reporting** – The results of the findings and a first draft of the report are presented to the chair of the board for review and discussion.

When did you last independently evaluate your board?

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FROM A PUFFIN NAMED BUROO TO ALL-ACTION SPORTS AND THE WALK OF HOPE, GOWER IS HELPING TO MAKE THIS A SPECIAL SEASON. ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR PAUL MCCORMICK LOOKS AHEAD TO A BUSY SUMMER WORKING WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

LIMBERING UP FOR AN INSPIRATIONAL SUMMER

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It's full-on summer and Gower is proud to be in the thick of this year's activities.

Cricket action in Guernsey for women and girls and sponsorship of the Alderney Island Games Team grab the sporting headlines, while the most calming event of the summer has to be the Guernsey Mind Walk of Hope to raise awareness around the subject of suicide.

SET YOUR ALARMS FOR AN EARLY START

Now in its third year and sponsored by Gower for the first time, the 'Gower Walk' is in support of Guernsey Mind's ongoing work regarding suicide prevention and awareness training. This year the Walk is on Sunday 2 July, starting before dawn at Vale Castle and walking into the sunrise ending at La Valette Bathing Pools in St Peter Port, to be met by the Viva La Valette team with hot drinks and pastries.

Gower Director Scott Rowe told me: 'The idea of the walk is to support people from darkness into light, hence the 4am start in darkness but the beautiful sunrise finish. In both previous years they have been lucky enough to have had the most beautiful sunrise, so fingers crossed for this year too. Our sponsorship of the walk is a natural extension of our existing support of Guernsey Mind with their SFA (suicide first aid) courses.'

There are usually around 600 people on the Walk and with Gower's support it is hoped that that number can grow. Tickets from Eventbrite.com, see the advert on the next page.

BUBBLES & BATS

For the second summer in a row, Gower is the sponsor of the Guernsey Women's and Girls Cricket

programme, and this year sees an expanded range of events to get everyone involved. First there's the Big Inter Insular match at the KGV playing fields when Guernsey and Jersey Women go head-to-head on the weekend of 24 and 25 June.

That's followed by the amazing 'Bubbles & Bats' social team programme, featuring eight corporate women's teams in the all-action softball format at the KGV ground in the first three weeks of July. The 'Bubbles' speak for themselves as the Himalayan Kitchen will be taking care of catering on the pavilion's Legends Terrace.

ALDERNEY JOINS THE ISLAND GAMES PARTY

Still on the sporting theme, Gower is delighted to be a 'key sponsor' of the Alderney Team for their participation in the 2023 Island Games to be held in Guernsey between 8 and 14 July.

As we have a strong presence and many clients on the northernmost Channel Island, it was an obvious choice to support the 24-strong team with travel and accommodation to the Games, where they have high hopes in shooting, archery, table tennis, indoor bowls, tennis, athletics and golf.

Teams from 24 islands as far apart as the Faroes, the Falklands and St Helena, along with islands closer to home such as the Channel Islands and Isle of Man, compete in a wide range of disciplines every two years.

We'll be at the opening ceremony to support the Alderney and Guernsey teams in their hunt for medals. Both teams have been training hard and in particular we look forward to welcoming the Alderney team and their wonderful supporters to Guernsey.



ABOVE L-R: THE GUERNSEY WOMEN'S CRICKET TEAM; GOWER STAFF WITH 'BUROO'.

A PUFFIN NAMED 'BUROO'

Speaking of fighters, one of the grittiest 'teams' in the Channel Islands is the remarkable Puffin. Less than 30cm in height, the Atlantic Puffin lives out at sea for much of its life but returns to breed each spring, mainly around Herm and Burhou, the latter a small uninhabited island close to Alderney.

And now one of them has teamed up with Gower for the 2023 Puffin Parade, organised by Autism Guernsey and the GSPCA Animal Shelter, which rescues and helps thousands of wild seabirds.

The Gower team swiftly came up with a name for their puffin – 'Buroo' – phonetically similar to

Burhou island. We then teamed up with the Guernsey Alzheimer's Association and Green Acres Guernsey, whose members and carers decorated Buroo. Their inspiration was sea life in the Bailiwick and their memories of trips to local beaches when they were younger. Buroo now has pride of place at our Weighbridge House offices in St. Peter Port, where he is one of a cast of 60 fellow puffins in the island-wide parade and treasure hunt. Details: puffinparade.org.gg

From puffins to sport and care in the community, 2023 will be a summer to remember for the Gower team, its clients, Bailiwick residents and welcome visitors.

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MARK BOUSFIELD, GROUP MANAGING DIRECTOR, INVESTMENTS AT RAVENSCROFT

WELL I DON'T KNOW IF I'M WALKING ON SOLID GROUND

'CAUSE EVERYTHING AROUND ME IS CRUMBLING DOWN

AND ALL I WANT IS FOR SOMEONE TO HELP ME

WHAT IN THE WORLD AM I GONNA DO TOMORROW?

Aloe Blacc, 2010

Don't we just? History is rhyming and 15 years on from The Great Recession we seem to be back on a particularly sticky economic wicket. Of course, it's one largely of our own making – that's how the political economy works. We can't blame others when we vote in the architects of our own folly.

Perhaps the most interesting part is how close in outlook both of the major UK political parties now seem, spin notwithstanding. Setting aside Liz Truss's ultra-brief flirtation with a tax-cutting dash for growth, which resulted in the shortest period in office of any previous Prime Minister, it is striking how both major parties have embraced what is effectively a left-of-centre tax-and-spend policy in an attempt to manage our way out of recession. This has led the right-of-centre Institute of Economic Affairs to declare its inability to tell the respective policies apart – identifying that things have come down to which of the two parties can credibly declare its managerial competence. And it doesn't require much political grasp to see that the party out of power (for 13 years) always seems more attractive than the incumbent. It's the same with football managers: their achievements gain more – and often unjustified – lustre, the longer they're out of a job.

Leaving aside domestic politics, what was happening in the rest of the world in 2008? Sadly, things have grown measurably worse. China was then a rising manufacturing powerhouse that seemed locked into the global economic world order and was prepared to help kickstart the global economy. Now it is a belligerent global superpower that is no longer afraid to flex its considerable military, economic and political might. Russia was thought – and so-declared by then Presidential candidate Obama – to be a crumbling irrelevance, a situation it sought to remedy by creating a pretext to invade Georgia, which it managed successfully within five days. (It would not be a stretch to say that this likely presaged the invasion of Ukraine in 2022, which Putin no doubt assumed would go the same way.) And then there was the ongoing

Global War on Terror, which had been rumbling on since 2003 (arguably, since 1991) and was demanding virtually all of the West's attention. All the while, Iran was pursuing its own nuclear weapons capability. Oh, and there was North Korea.

For those of us who are 24/7, 365 consumers of social media and cable news, a lot of this already seems a lifetime ago. So much has happened since 2008 that we struggle to remember how we got here. It's hard to recall much other than the aftermath of Covid-19 and Ukraine, which, while shockingly relevant, still seems unreal. After all, NATO is currently supporting a full-blown mainland European war with hundreds of thousands of casualties and millions of displaced refugees. Meanwhile, we monitor events in real time from our phone, while sipping our cappuccino, a mere three-and-a-half hour flight away. I mean, as long as the lights stay on and our holidays aren't interrupted, it's all good, right?

So, to 2023. There are some things in life that one has to accept as being beyond our paygrade: it's their world and we just have to live in it. Given our inability to fix any of the things I've mentioned, we are left with trying to identify risk (and opportunity) and then plotting a course; all the while staying alert and navigating change. Geopolitics, demographics, inequality and climate change are our four forces of change that we at Ravenscroft believe will impact the investment environment for years to come. Accordingly, and with the same determination that characterised our approach 15 years ago, we are evolving our investment approach to cope with what we expect to be a more volatile, higher inflation and less predictable world. What in the world are you going to do tomorrow?



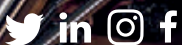
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THE EFFECT OF HIGHER INTEREST RATES



Rapid and frequent changes to interest rates is the factor having the greatest impact on the economy in 2023. Derek Beatty, Portfolio Manager at Julius Baer Guernsey, explores what the higher rates mean for the macroeconomic picture.

The pronounced shift in monetary policy over the past year has had a significant economic impact. Tighter financial conditions and lending standards are slowing credit activity and have already dampened companies' intentions to expand their capacities in the first quarter of the year. The transmission channel from higher policy rates to lower credit activity, weaker economic growth and, ultimately, lower inflation is characterised by long lags of more than 12 months and is highly dependent on the banking system.

The recent cracks in the US banking system, with small and medium-sized banks exposed to maturity mismatches between their assets and liabilities or eroding deposits, serve as a reminder that policy rates have already reached a significantly restrictive level. Furthermore, the unusually rapid pace of interest-rate adjustment is challenging the business models of many banks that were established in a regime of record-low interest rates and excess savings.

OUTLOOK: SLOWER CREDIT GROWTH DYNAMICS TO BE EXPECTED

We expect that most of the impact on economic growth will come in the second half of the year, when tighter credit conditions will translate into much slower credit growth dynamics. The three-month growth of US commercial loans already fell to zero in February 2023, down from double-digit growth rates three months earlier. In the euro area, the corresponding growth in loans to businesses is already contracting after double-digit growth rates in September/October of last year. The still-sizeable amount of household savings accumulated during the pandemic in both the US and the euro area somewhat prolongs, but does not prevent, the lag between lower credit growth and lower economic activity. The increasing recognition by central banks that higher interest rates are starting to work signals that peak interest rates are approaching.

FIXED INCOME - FIND THE BALANCE BETWEEN LONG AND SHORT TERM

The current bond universe offers opportunities that we have not seen in a while to construct a more robust and yielding fixed income portfolio. We still

believe that longer-dated investment-grade bonds can have a crucial role as diversifiers, as we just experienced in the most recent risk-off episode. Moreover, investors can profit from current yields for a longer time and reduce reinvestment risks with longer-duration bonds. Admittedly, yields are substantially lower than at the start of the year, as rate expectations have been recalibrated already. Now is therefore a good time to add duration, in a staggered approach.

Meanwhile, the yields of shorter-dated bonds are elevated. Hence, we would still add some exposure there by choosing lower-rated corporate debt, such as low-investment-grade bonds, i.e. the BBB-rated segment, or even some of the better high-yield names. This should keep default risk limited, provide some extra credit spread and even improve flexibility in the near term, as higher coupons move cash inflows forward. However, we would not add substantial developed-market credit risk into portfolios at this juncture. Rather, we prefer to allocate the risk budget to emerging market debt given the ongoing momentum from China's reopening.

EQUITIES: THE COMEBACK OF QUALITY GROWTH

Within the equities space we continue to prefer healthcare, European utilities and high free-cash-flow stocks. Additionally, instead of cyclicals, we rather see an opportunity to buy some quality growth names at attractive valuations. The 12-month forward price/earnings ratio for the segment is back to the 10-year average level (23.3x vs 23.1x).

Within the segment, we focus on companies that possess solid balance-sheet characteristics coupled with high margins and cash flows. These companies should do well in an environment of peaking inflation and lower bond yields. The outlook for the non-profitable growth stocks, in contrast, remains challenging, as many are dependent on raising capital externally to remain solvent. We would use the recent strength as a selling opportunity.

Should you wish to find out more about the impact of interest rates on different areas of the economy, and how to manage your portfolio accordingly, please contact derek.beatty@juliusbaer.com

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THE ROYAL COURT INTERVENES TO ACHIEVE A FAIR BALANCE, BY TODD MCGUFFIN - PARTNER, NICK ROBISON - MANAGING PARTNER, NICK HOWELL - ASSOCIATE, BABBÉ LLP.

We have previously commented on the ever-increasing layers of regulation imposed upon the financial services sector in Guernsey and in other offshore jurisdictions.

The demand for further regulation stems from onshore jurisdictions requiring increased transparency with respect to the financial affairs of the wealthy to seek to secure higher domestic tax revenues, reinforced by the imposition of international economic sanctions against non-cooperative jurisdictions. Against this tide, however, the Royal Court has, in a series of recent judgments, reminded us all, including our local authorities, that financial services regulation, like any law, has its limits and must be imposed and enforced with an appropriate balance of fairness and justice with respect to individual rights.

In an application by His Majesty's Comptroller to seek the forfeiture to the States of Guernsey of funds held at a local bank on the basis they were alleged to have the proceeds of crime, the Court ruled that the evidence put forward was 'just not good enough' and that the Comptroller had failed to show that the individual concerned had any actual involvement in a criminal offence.

The Court accepted that the terms of the Forfeiture Law were 'draconian' because its purpose was to send a message that Guernsey is not a place where one can deposit the proceeds of crime and get away with it. Notwithstanding the purpose of the Law, the Court stated 'that cannot simply be an invitation to exercise the draconian power as draconianly as possible in all the circumstances just because it is draconian. It must also be operated so as to not to deter innocent parties from placing their business in Guernsey, lest they become embroiled in, or have their assets at risk of confiscation, because of some connection to some unlawful conduct in the past which they knew nothing about'.

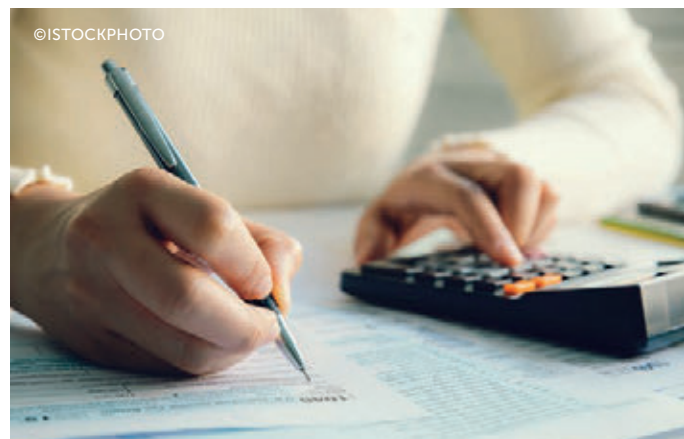
In an appeal against the imposition of financial penalties and banning orders issued by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission, the Royal Court found (in what it described as a 'troubling case') that the Commission's allegations of lack of probity against the appellants were flawed, unreasonably made and unjustified. Significantly, the Court stated

that the Commission had overlooked the fact that the reputation of the Bailiwick as a financial centre included the reputation of the Commission itself as a regulator. That reputation needed to be one of 'firm but fair', however, the appropriate measure of fairness was lacking in its approach. This decision has sparked further political debate with respect to the extent of the Commission's self-regulation of its affairs.

In further matters, the Court held, after a full examination of the evidence, that funds held at a local bank which were subject to the suspicious activity report filed with the Guernsey Financial Intelligence Unit were not in fact the proceeds of crime and thereby required the bank to pay the funds over to the customer. This decision reinforced a relevantly recently established line of cases whereby the Court has allowed innocent individuals subject to unfounded allegations of unlawful conduct to have a forum for seeking justice in the absence of any legal avenue.

The above decisions are a pertinent reminder of the importance of our Guernsey system of justice and the vital role it plays in achieving a just balance between regulation and the fairness of its application enforcement.

The Disputes and Risk team at Babbé LLP regularly advises and appears on the types of matters referred to above and were the advocates for the successful party in a decision involving the suspicious activity report.





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Last year, Clarity Limited was founded following the Channel Islands merger of two long-established IT service providers; Next Generation IT and Alternative Solutions.

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Next Generation IT grew to a 35-strong team over 20 years through client referrals and an excellent reputation, with a large portfolio of local clients.

Both businesses had reputations for building mutually beneficial, long-term relationships based on trust, using the technical expertise gained over many years to make IT simple for clients. Merging the two companies means that Clarity now has over 80 staff across the three locations and over 300 clients globally and locally, across most vertical markets. We are now one of the largest IT service

providers across the Channel Islands, run by the executive team of Jason Connolly, Matt Hale, Tom Heyworth and Matthew Neville, headed by Chief Executive Officer, Neil Jordan.

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TWO BECOME ONE

With the merger of two Guernsey businesses, Clarity staff naturally came together in one building. Fortunately, the ground floor of the offices that Alternative Solutions occupied were vacant, so Next Generation IT moved to Cirrus House in Garenne Park. The large floor space allowed architects to plan for an improved working environment with office space, a dedicated engineering area, meeting rooms large and small and a training facility.

A real plus is the newly equipped staff gym with a trainer visiting once a week, helping us reach our fitness targets. It's not all work; our staff take more casual meetings in the new Clarity café and kick back using our retro arcade machine and the pool league is popular. The Sports and Social team have hosted several events in the new space; recently we had fun at a superb

Curry-oke evening, which saw several new singing styles discovered (and some that would have received four crosses on Britain's Got Talent).

Contact us today about joining the growing team at Clarity. No singing required.



RELOCATING TO GUERNSEY

The last two years or so have seen an influx of relocators to the Island, attracted by the outstanding natural beauty of the Island coupled perhaps with no capital taxation and a low single rate of income tax.

Perhaps the most significant change to the Guernsey tax system for some considerable time was the move to independent taxation of married couples effective from 1 January 2023. Whilst a significant change the likely impact is perhaps summarised as the need for a further ten thousand or so personal tax returns to be both completed and processed and the possible doubling of the statutory tax caps that, before 1 January 2023, applied per couple.

The tax caps have been extremely well received by relocators as it gives absolute certainty in terms of total personal income tax exposure in Guernsey on a yearly basis.

The tax caps available by tax statute in Guernsey are:

- Open Market Cap of £50,000. Available for the first four years of Guernsey residence. Requires the purchase and occupation of an open market property within 12 months of tax residence. The purchase must generate minimum document duty of £50,000 (property cost of £1.4m).



- Foreign income tax cap of £150,000. This is for non-Guernsey source income only. Guernsey source income remains subject to 20% tax. Guernsey bank interest is not considered Guernsey source.
- Annual tax cap of £300,000. A global cap utilised by individuals with substantial Guernsey Source income.
- The “standard charge”. This is currently £40,000 per annum and is available by election in place of worldwide income disclosure, for those who are broadly, not full time tax resident on the island.

As well as the headline tax caps available, other significant tax incentives for a relocater that should not be overlooked may include:

- Ability to claim double tax relief in Guernsey for UK corporation tax paid, where shareholder control of the UK company is in Guernsey on a UK company distribution.
- Ability to receive UK dividends exempt from both UK and Guernsey taxation.
- Ability to receive UK pension income, potentially including a lifetime flexible draw down that is solely taxable in Guernsey.
- Ability to mitigate UK capital gains tax on gains made upon the disposal of certain UK assets.

There are many tax considerations a relocater might like to consider. The highly experienced and qualified tax team at LTS, who can advise upon all aspects of Guernsey and UK tax, would be delighted to hear from you.



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NEW GROWTH

INDEPENDENT TRUST COMPANY, NSM, ON WHY ITS IMPARTIALITY HAS DRIVEN ITS WORK AND GIVEN IT A COMPETITIVE EDGE

A period of sustained growth and expansion has found independent financial services group NSM in a strong position as it heads into the second half of 2023.

Headquartered in Guernsey, NSM was founded in 2014 on the premise that there was an increasing need to provide an alternative to Private Equity owned consolidators that increasingly dominate the trust and corporate service providers.

Its Guernsey office at Les Echelons Courts has expanded, and it has also opened a new London office, enabling it to complement its offshore offering with onshore UK trust and corporate services.

INDEPENDENCE

Part of the reason for founding NSM was that it was felt an independent trust company, which could act impartially in the best interests of its clients, on account of having no products to sell or external shareholders to answer to, would offer a competitive edge.

‘Our independence allows us to ensure that it is always the client’s best interests that drives our work,’ said founder and managing director, Simon Graham. ‘This remains the position today and it seems ever more relevant in a rapidly consolidating industry that provides clients with less and less choices.’

Being owner-managed, clients enjoy having direct access to the decision makers who oversee the day-to-day administration of their structures and the agility this brings. The business is led by a highly experienced board, all of whom are professionally qualified in fields ranging from accountancy to corporate governance, and they are supported by a dedicated administration team which also includes in-house tax and legal professionals.

GROWTH

‘The sustained growth we have experienced, both in terms of volume and complexity of work, appears to validate this approach,’ said director Aaron Mullins. ‘New business continues to be strong, with the Middle East region being a particular focal point, and we have now had our UAE representative office in Dubai International Financial Centre open for four years.’

AUM and revenues both increased in 2022. Staff numbers also increased and, as well as Aaron joining the NSM Trust board, three other directors – Marie Jarvis, Shaun Robert and Sam Shields – joined NSM Funds. ‘Both Guernsey’s regulatory regime and NSMF’s reputation are second to none,’ said Shaun. ‘NSMF has a demonstrable track record in providing an



excellent client service and is nimble enough to shape and meet a client’s requirements.’

EXPERIENCE

NSM’s offering has historically comprised three service lines; trust and corporate, family office and pensions services. ‘Early last year, as part of our growth strategy, we incorporated NSM Funds to launch a regulated fund administration business, thus enabling us to expand our offering past private wealth structures,’ said Simon.



Director Aaron Mullins joined NSM in October – he tells En Voyage what it’s been like so far:

‘The months have flown by since I started here. It’s been thoroughly enjoyable integrating myself with the fantastic team at a time of such sustained growth. I committed to NSM in the belief that the market is increasingly demanding their advisors be independent, client focused and agile and I am delighted to see that this is being borne out with some early successes. I’ve spent my entire 26 year career in the private client arena and now more than ever, whether clients are talking to us about structuring their global affairs for the first time or looking for a new provider more aligned with their values, we are receiving the message loud and clear that they expect to be engaging with the senior decision makers of their trustees rather than being treated like commodities.

‘I fully support this notion and, clearly, NSM’s proposition has always wholly aligned with this belief too. I hate to hear people referring to trusts or similar family structures as ‘products’ as I have spent far too many hours in meetings with clients to whom it clearly means far more than that. Who can blame them, we usually find ourselves talking about their generational wealth and, accordingly, their long-term futures, so it is undoubtedly an important long term commitment they are making to us, and one which we are careful to never take for granted.

‘I’m confident our broad range of expertise covering trusts, corporate services, family governance and tax is standing us in good stead to live up to our ever-increasing reputation for delivery on high quality structuring needs and I couldn’t be more excited for what the future brings.’

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THREE MILLION ITEMS AND COUNTING



L-R: ADAM DOREY
& RACHEL MALIK

BY ROB PLAMPTON, JOINT MANAGING DIRECTOR, PRINTED IN GUERNSEY

The postcard industry has changed. It's gone digital. Yes, you can still buy old fashioned cards with your favourite beach scene from one of those metal racks outside the newsagent on a seafront somewhere, but, as Bob Dylan said, '...the times they are a changing'.

Many holidaymakers now have a choice of phone apps that supply customised photo postcards to anywhere in the world. All you have to do is get your fellow travellers together at sunset, raise a glass of cold beer, say 'cheese' and then 'click'. Just add your personalised message and the address and off it goes!

You can also send them to all the different members of your family as well as friends, wherever they are, in one go.

One of the longest and most innovative postcard apps around is TouchNote, whose cards we have been in charge of printing and sending for over 10 years. Their award-winning app and website allows its members to create their own custom-made postcards and greeting cards, getting them delivered for free the very next day. They were awarded the Good Web Guide's App of the Year 2018, Financial Times Tech 100 Europe and numerous accolades on the Apple AppStore and Google PlayStore.

There is a good chance that the postcard you upload from that night out in Marbella, to go to your cousin in Australia, will pass through the TouchNote app to the Printed in Guernsey factory in the quiet lanes of St Sampson's and then off to its final destination, helping the Guernsey economy along the way!

Last year, we hit an all-time high of processing three million items and distributing them via Guernsey Post. These postcard orders will come down the digital pipe to us as a pdf from the four corners of the globe. Our extremely clever software makes it possible for us to track the job through our factory. Then all the cards produced that day will be picked up and be on the evening plane to the UK and forwarded to their end destination. If the end address is in the UK it will probably be delivered to a doormat the day after we receive it in Guernsey.

But, digital postcards are not the only new arrivals going through a growth spurt. We also have a large piece of the local personalised greeting cards business

and we ship these all over the world too. The numbers are fairly constant throughout the year but rise around Valentines', Mothers' and Fathers' Days. At Christmas time the orders peak quite dramatically.

Growing demand for effective company marketing by online retailers around the world has also had a direct impact on the popularity of the postcard. We live in a digital world but you would be mistaken to think that 'direct mail' marketing is dead.

The sophisticated new tools and technology at Printed in Guernsey means we can personalise a whole range of items for online and offline businesses. A recent industry report states that direct mail generates a higher response rate than any direct digital marketing medium - five to nine times greater than email, paid search, or social media. It's no wonder direct mail is seeing a resurgence in popularity.

We produce a large number of business postcards for Guernsey clients. They are an extremely effective communication tool for a variety of marketing objectives. Some use them for security when registering to a website for a service. Instead of a check email, you get a postcard posted to your door and you have to sign it and post it back.

It is our company's ethos to provide the best possible service to all our clients. This means staying abreast of all the latest technological developments in our industry, investing in quality machinery and training our team to the highest level. We regularly attend the trade fairs, where we speak with the designers and engineers of the latest equipment on the market who advise us on how we should invest.

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THREE MILLION ITEMS AND COUNTING

NEW BOARD MEMBER AT ROCQ CAPITAL



Left to right: John de Garis, Harry Bazzaz and Stuart Perfitt

Rocq Capital has appointed Harry Bazzaz to its Board. Mr Bazzaz, who joined the company as a Senior investment manager in 2017, is to become its investment director. He was Rocq Capital's first appointment following its management buyout from Edmond de Rothschild. Mr Bazzaz also chairs the GIFA managers' committee and has been key in delivering its investment

challenge to the island's secondary schools and colleges.

The appointment is recognition of his experience and professionalism within the business, which manages assets for private clients, pensions, trusts, captives and government.

'Harry is an integral part of the investment team and has been managing portfolios for clients in an effective and clear way. He has rightly been promoted to the Board and will be able to help shape our future development,' said John de Garis, chief investment officer and managing director.

Mr de Garis was appointed to the role of managing director in 2022, succeeding Stuart Perfitt, who became executive chairman. 'Rocq Capital is firmly established and well recognised by investors on the island and beyond,' said Mr Perfitt. 'We are proud with what we have achieved to date and these appointments have been made to ensure this growth trajectory continues.'

BEDELL CRISTIN EXPANDS TEAM

Bedell Cristin has appointed Danielle Ebrahim-Naseem to its expanding employment law team.

Based in Guernsey, she joins as an employment litigation associate. She obtained her law degree at the University of Kwa-Zulu Natal, before joining South African firm Norton Rose Fulbright. She has significant international experience in employment and labour law, having advised, supported and represented global and multinational clients across the full spectrum of employment and labour law matters in both a contentious and non-contentious capacity.

Head of employment in the Channel Islands, Carly Parrott, said: 'Danielle's recruitment adds to our team of trusted advisers available to provide Employment law advice, and I am delighted to welcome her to the team. She is a fantastic addition to the employment offering,



Danielle Ebrahim-Naseem

strengthening the depth of experience we can offer our clients across the Channel Islands and globally. We continue to build our team to meet the exponentially growing demands for our Employment law services.'

RETURNING TO OAK, GUERNSEY



Scott McPherson

Scott McPherson has returned to Oak's Guernsey office from its Mauritius office. He will now play a leading role as client director, trust and corporate, in developing Oak's South African and local networks.

Joe Woodward, managing director of Oak Trust in Guernsey said: 'Having worked with Scott during my time in Mauritius, I am thrilled to welcome him back to Oak as a director in our Guernsey office. Scott has a fantastic reputation amongst clients and other business partners and his extensive experience and appreciation for Oak make him a valuable addition to our team.'

BELASKO APPOINTS 14 ACROSS GROUP



Dominic Rice



Bryce Norman

Belasko has promoted 14 members of staff across the Group, including four members of the Guernsey team.

Dominic Rice and Bryce Norman have been promoted to managers. Mr Rice has worked in Belasko's fund team since 2020 and is responsible for leading service delivery across a number of strategic relationships. Mr Norman joined in 2022, and is responsible for leading the compliance function.

Adam Le Pelley has been promoted to assistant manager, and India Besnard to administrator.

'We are pleased to announce these well-deserved promotions,' said Greg McKenzie, managing director in Guernsey. 'We are committed to providing professional development opportunities and supporting our team to reach their potential. These promotions demonstrate the ambition and expertise of our growing team.'



Left to right: Barney Paul, Amanda Flouquet and James Tostevin

THREE PROMOTIONS AT BJB GUERNSEY

Swiss wealth management group, Bank Julius Baer, has promoted Barney Paul, Amanda Flouquet and James Tostevin due to their exemplary contributions to the bank's ongoing success on the island.

Alexandra McInnes, head of Guernsey at Bank Julius Baer, said: 'It's fantastic to see personal and professional development in our team. Barney, Amanda and James are being recognised for working in line with our core values, due to their passion for their work, their care for their teams and the excellent and high-quality work they produce.'

'They have all contributed to the success of the business and the level of client service that sets us apart. We're thankful to each of them, as well as all of our committed employees, for their enthusiasm and expertise.'

HSBC BOLSTERS LOCAL WEALTH AND PERSONAL BANKING PROPOSITION



Millie Fitzgerald

Millie Fitzgerald has been appointed as area wealth director for HSBC in Guernsey as part of the bank's ongoing strategy to evolve and enhance its wealth and personal banking business in the island.

In her new role, she will be

responsible for leading the premier and wealth team in Guernsey.

Her appointment coincides with HSBC's strategy to grow its wealth solutions proposition across the Channel Islands and Isle of Man, to establish a seamless and more

streamlined journey for customers at all different life and wealth planning stages, from personal banking to premier and through to more bespoke high-net-worth private banking services.

Pete Turner, head of wealth and personal banking, HSBC Guernsey, said: 'Millie joins HSBC at an exciting time as we continue to roll out our wealth enhancement strategy across the islands, focusing on providing our island and expat customers with tailored and comprehensive support throughout their wealth journey – from day-to-day personal banking to more sophisticated investment, home buying and savings opportunities through our Premier platform. Her depth of experience and passion for the sector put her in an ideal position to lead the team across the Bailiwick and I am delighted to welcome her to the team.'



THE FUTURE OF FUNDS IS BRIGHT

Partnerships, innovation and reputation were three themes which emerged from the 2023 Guernsey Finance Funds Forum.

The event, The Future of Funds, opened with an address by Michael Moore, Director General of the British Private Equity and Venture Capital Association, who reminded the audience of the scale of the UK's venture capital and private equity industry and Guernsey's role in its success.

'The partnership between us really matters. It's about the predictability of what we hear, the ease of doing business, that is a good calling card, as well as the pool of experience on our doorstep, whether it's here in the UK or Guernsey or up north in Leeds,' he said.

'If we don't continue to offer these important features of ease of doing business, the network effect of having the largest hub of private equity and venture capital expertise anywhere in the world outside of the United States of America, we will be diminished.

'For us as an industry, the partnership we have between the UK and Guernsey, to me underpins a private capital industry that has established its credentials is of significance for the future.'

Nearly 500 industry professionals attended the afternoon which followed a new format with two masterclass workshops, How to Set Up a Fund, hosted by Carey Olsen, and How to Choose the Right Jurisdiction, hosted by JTC.

The closing keynote by Steve Backshall MBE, saw the naturalist and author sharing his passion for exploring and adventure in the most remote corners of the planet.

Rupert Pleasant, Chief Executive of Guernsey Finance, reflected on the afternoon, saying: 'The record numbers attending today's Funds Forum are a testament to the themes we discussed. Guernsey's reputation, its position as a premier jurisdiction for innovation and as a place to collaborate and do business has been reinforced by all of our speakers and endorsed by attendees.'

More information can be found at <https://www.weareguernsey.com/news/2023/the-future-of-funds-is-bright-guernsey-funds-forum-2023/>



GFSC AND GUERNSEY FINANCE JOIN FORCES FOR AI CONFERENCE

UK Minister, Lord Johnson of Lainstone CBE, is confirmed as the keynote speaker at an event hosted jointly by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission and Guernsey Finance.

'AI and Finance in Guernsey: The Power and the Implications', will take place on 28 June and investigate the power and potential of artificial intelligence and the possibilities of digital innovation in the financial services industry.

This one-day conference will host industry-leading keynote speakers and a panel session about AI's impact on cybercrime, environmental reporting and regulation. The event will also examine the current state of play and how technologies, such as ChatGPT, have impacted sectors like education.

The conference will take place at Beau Sejour Leisure Centre.

50 YEARS OF HELPING BUILD A BETTER GUERNSEY.

HUNDREDS OF YEARS OF LOCAL HERITAGE.

Norman Piette is celebrating its 50th anniversary, but it wouldn't be the successful local business it is today without the rich history of the three companies that were its forerunners; The Charroterie Mills Ltd, The Piette Saw Mills and J&D Norman have been a key part of Island life dating back to 1740.

Late 1940s
J&D Norman involved in extensive cable laying contracts for the State's Electricity Board.

1940s The mills were taken over by the Germans. No timber was imported during the occupation. Don was serving in the Parachute Regiment. Jack was in Alderney overseeing the growing of wheat for the Essential Food supplies to help feed the remaining civilian population.

13 December 1950 J & D Norman was incorporated into a Limited Liability Company.

1950s Building work in the island included Les Beaucamps School, officially opened by HRH Princess Margaret.

1952 Acquired the Bulwer Avenue property on the seaward side of the road.

29 December 1952 The collier SS Fermain ran aground outside St. Sampson's Harbour. The company, in partnership with J.W.Upham, bought the vessel from the underwriters so that J & D Norman could extract and sell the coal.

1953 Jack commenced manufacturing tomato boxes (chips) for the export of tomatoes from the shed now used as Norman Piette's Timber Mill.

1960 Huge fire destroys Piette Timber Store.

Early 1960s Jack brought the first JCB hydraulic excavator to the island to extract sand and general excavating work.

1931
Charroterie Mills buy first motor lorry.

1930 J&D Norman was formed as Jack and Don Norman begin selling blocks, concrete pillars and pots to the building and horticultural trade.

1740
The De Guerin family establish a timber importing and flour milling operation and a bakery.

1927 The bakery closed due to competition and a fire at the Town Mills.

1920 Guernsey goes electric generated by a diesel engine next to the Saw Mills to supply them.

1905 New steam boiler installed. Seven pairs of horses used to pull it up Albert pier.

1805
Supplied biscuits to Nelson's Fleet at the time of the Battle of Trafalgar.

1780
Business moved to Charroterie Mills.

1973 Negotiations commenced to merge the Piette Saw and Planning Mills with the builders merchants business of J&D Norman into a new company Norman Piette. An agreement was reached on a 50/50 equity basis, between the two shareholders to form Norman Piette Ltd.

1 July 1973 Norman Piette Ltd commences operations from Bulwer Avenue and La Piette.

1976 Norman Piette Ltd purchased Charroterie Mills Ltd.

2011 Major redevelopments to the Bulwer Avenue site are completed

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BUILDING A BETTER GUERNSEY FOR 50 YEARS

ADVERTORIAL

Norman Piette is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, making it one of the oldest businesses in the Bailiwick. It was formed in 1973 by combining The Piette Saw Mills and the merchandising operations of J&D Norman. But the history of these firms, alongside Charroterie Mills Ltd, dates back to 1739, making it one of the oldest builder's merchants in the British Isles. Records exist that show that English oak was sawn in Guernsey and supplied for the building of Lord Nelson's flagship, HMS Victory.

50 years ago, Edward Heath took the UK into the EEC, Roger Moore played James Bond for the first time and Pink Floyd released *The Dark Side of the Moon*. In Guernsey, islanders protested against Icart becoming a golf course, the Elwood Mead struck Les Grunes reef and the old harbour in St Peter Port was converted into the Victoria Marina.

Geoff Norman was elected Managing Director of Norman Piette at the time: 'We decided to move from our difficult to access premises, the former shipbuilding site near St George's Hall, to a drive-through operation at Bulwer Avenue,' he says. 'The new set-up gave us a good business negotiating position and at the time we were involved in the shipping of freight. Since then, we've acquired other companies such as Annandale, Blanchard and Project and have become the Bailiwick's leading builder's merchant.'

The fortunes of the company have been shaped by expansion within sectors of the economy such as horticulture and tourism. Following the Occupation, the group had a building contracting division as there was a huge demand for housing due to a growth in population.

'This had to change,' says Geoff. 'We couldn't be builders as well as merchants as our competitors didn't want to buy from us. So, we focused on supplying as our interest in the shipping operation gave us an advantage.'

Adrian Norman is Chair of Norman Piette. He says there have been noticeable changes in the company's operation since 1973: 'We used to bring in bulk shipments of cement, timber and more. Now, while we still provide those materials, it isn't by the shipload and the variety of products has hugely transformed. Kitchens and bathrooms are

a reasonably new addition to this site. We also used to have a plant here and treat all our own timber but now it is pre-treated before it comes in. Much of it is pre-milled too and the mill is used now for bespoke orders and we manufacture timber frame buildings. This will be an important area for us in the future. Our Ecohomes help clients get environmentally responsible homes that are stylish and energy-efficient.'

Back in 1973, Norman Piette used to dig its supplies of sand from a site at Port Soif which is now Rovers Football Club, hence its nickname 'The Sandpit', but now all sand is imported. The group agreed a land swap with the States of Guernsey trading the site at Port Soif for an area behind Norman Piette's yard on Bulwer Avenue.

'I think the expectation of our customers will change as the internet plays an even bigger part



ABOVE L-R: GEOFF NORMAN AS A CHILD; 1930'S BLOCK MAKING; DISMANTLING WW2 NAVAL FUEL TANKS OPPOSITE THE BUNKER ON CASTLE PIER BEHIND SURF & TURF. THIS IS NOW A GRASS BANK; DAVID NORMAN AND JCB CIRCA 1964; BATCH CASTING CONCRETE TOMATO POTS.

in our lives. Ordering online with goods prepped and ready for delivery will become more popular but I think there will still be the customers who will pop in, pick up what they need and go again.

'Good customer service is still very much at the centre of everything we do so we've started opening at 7am in the mornings so tradespeople can get what they need and get on site sooner.

'We've always focused heavily on staff training but that has developed further because customer demands are different, especially in the areas of thermal insulation, or U-value. 50 years ago, nobody spoke about sustainable sources for products, but now our staff must be familiar with resource-efficient models of construction, renovation and maintenance. They have had to learn to be more adaptable and flexible and they've done this well.'

The Norman Piette team is led by CEO John Bampkin: 'Many businesses cut their training budgets at the first sign of an economic downturn. In my view, this is not long-term thinking.

It's important that Norman Piette attracts school and university leavers and gives them a clear career path along which they can see tangible development in their chosen profession.'

Adrian Norman says that one of the biggest challenges over the past 50 years was the period coming out of lock-down. 'Demand for building products went through the roof but the supply chain was completely 'gummed-up'.

'With cement, a vital building product, we were allocated only a certain amount by our suppliers. This in turn meant that we could only allocate a certain amount to our customers and there were many large building sites at the time. Our purchasing and supply teams really earned their stripes at that time. It was a major challenge.

'One thing that hasn't changed over the last half-a-century is the strip of water between Guernsey and the UK which has always made it a challenge to get the right products here at the right time.'

Executive Sales and Marketing Manager, Lindsey Hart, is organising

the company's 50th anniversary celebrations: 'Norman Piette is family-owned, very community focused and is a great company to work for.

'We want to make our celebrations really memorable, so there will be a staff party, a customer party, a big competition on Island FM, promotions on Facebook, 50 acts of kindness throughout the year and much more. There is lots going on and we are all very excited.'

Adrian Norman says he is proud to have the family name above the door of the business for all this time: 'The company's values correlate perfectly with our family values and Norman Piette is an integral part of local construction. It is a key piece in the supply chain that keeps the island working.

'During lockdown we made sure we had emergency supplies available for the States and anyone else who needed them. We may be 50 years old but we will continue to help build a better Guernsey for as long as we can.'

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BY GREG FORINO, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF GREG FORINO FLOORING

Grand Designs, Your Garden Made Perfect, Ground Force – we've all seen these TV shows. Enthusiastic designers turn that patch of scrub land at the back of a semi in Dulwich into a garden fit for a Moroccan Sultan. They work their magic to make dreams come true and build amazing outdoor spaces that are often more chic than their indoor ones!

The truth is that most garden spaces are not used to their full potential. Many homeowners may have a vision for what could be achieved, but few take the next step and build it for a variety of reasons.

The UK Met Office predicts that 2023 will be even hotter than 2022, when UK and Channel Island temperatures hit 40°C or thereabouts. This year is set to be the tenth year in a row that the global temperature is at least 1°C above average. With the cost of a holiday in the sun out of reach for the average family of four, doing more with the land outside the back door makes so much sense.

You could have the pergola, bar or outdoor kitchen that you've always wanted. You just need to know the right people to do it for you!

You'll get years of enjoyment and use out of an outdoor kitchen made of the right materials. What could be nicer than sharing it with friends and family? A beautifully built outdoor kitchen space can turn an ordinary barbecue into a culinary adventure.

As our summers get warmer, more and more socialising takes place outdoors, so why not fix up your decking, patio or backyard and move the party outside.

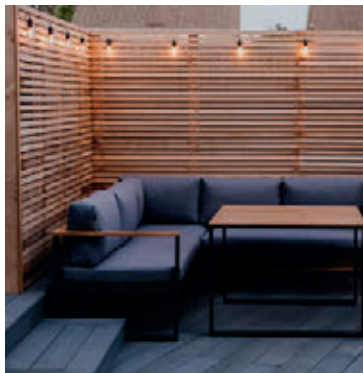
Maybe you would like to have your very own garden bar and become the landlord choosing the gin, beer and wine and never have to queue up to get served. It's a very appealing idea and your friends will love it too. Just flick a switch to turn on the discrete designer lighting and it changes instantly into an evening venue, complete with patio heaters and sound system. You're in charge of the music and your playlist will take priority... and you won't have to book a taxi to get home!

Your old garden shed could be the perfect starting point and we can turn it into the perfect meeting place for everyone to drink, dance and relax. The GFF carpentry team are experts in bespoke garden projects. The process begins with a discussion on site to determine exactly what is required and what

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ABOVE: CHRIS UNITT PICTURED AT THE GUERNSEY AERO CLUB ©GUERNSEY PRESS

SAVING CHARLIE NOVEMBER

A restored 1967 Islander aircraft, which was one of the first to be flown by Aurigny has gone on display in a museum in the Isle of Wight after nearly a quarter of a century's work.

A group of enthusiasts, the Britten-Norman Aircraft Preservation Society, took on the project after the plane was found derelict in Puerto Rico in the late 1990s.

The aircraft – registration G-AVCN and nicknamed 'Charlie November' – was the third one produced by Britten-Norman at Bembridge Airport in the Isle of Wight and is the oldest of its type still in existence.

It was moved to the Wight Military and Heritage Museum at Northwood, near Cowes, in December 2020, but the Covid pandemic significantly delayed its official unveiling as an exhibit.

Chris Unitt, an Aurigny pilot between 1973 and 1979, was among the guests at the unveiling.

He had a chance to sit again in the cockpit of the plane he had flown nearly 45 years ago, which he remembered as 'more than just a plane'.

'It was almost our mascot,' said Mr Unitt, who lives in Guernsey. 'It was our original Islander and a favourite.'

He said modern Islander aircraft were very different in the cockpit. 'What's amazing about this rebuild is that they've not just returned it to an Islander, they've returned it to how it was originally.'

Mr Unitt said that Guernsey resident and former Aurigny engineer,

Graham Gilbert, had helped during the restoration project, which was also supported by local company Anglo-Normandy Aero Engineering.

Bob Wealthy, chairman of the preservation society, said some 300 people saw the new exhibit on the day it was unveiled.

They included James Morton and Alex Norman, respectively the nephew and son of Britten-Norman founders John Britten and Desmond Norman.

In a short speech ahead of the official unveiling by Mr Norman, Mr Wealthy said the society's trustees were grateful to the restoration team for its dedication, skills and perseverance.

He also thanked the society's support team, supporters' club and others who had helped the project through donations, fundraising and support at various events.

'BNAPS has received funding awards from several organisations, including the National Transport Trust, Wight Aid, the Daisie Rich Trust and the Isle of Wight High Sheriff's Trust Fund. Our grateful thanks go out to these organisations,' he said.

Charlie November's maiden flight was from Bembridge on 24 April 1967. It entered service with Aurigny on 1 March 1968.

It later flew in the Caribbean before being left at Isla Grande Airport in Puerto Rico, where it was stripped of useful parts.

After it was discovered there, Britten-Norman historians, assisted

by sponsorship from aviation consultant Airstream International, worked to get it to the Isle of Wight in early 2000.

The society is now preparing a book on the restoration, 'Saving Charlie November', which it hopes to publish soon.

C-N RESTORATION TIMELINE

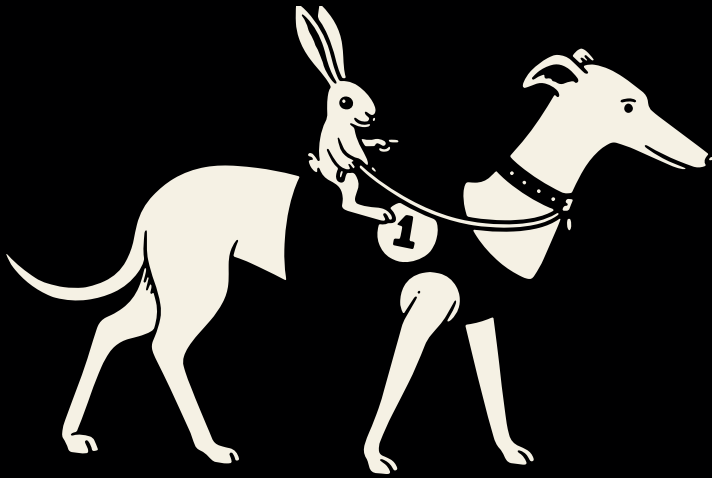
Charlie November was shipped to the UK from Puerto Rico, in 2000. The rebuild project started in 2010, and the fuselage was complete in time for the 50th Anniversary of the Islander prototype's first flight on 13th June 2015. The important 'wing lift' was carried out in May 2019 and the wing and fuselage were then mated. Work continued with mounting the dummy engines and cowlings and beginning the task of adding the Aurigny livery.

On 17 December 2020, the aircraft was moved to the Wight Military & Heritage Museum at Northwood, near Cowes, Isle of Wight. Now, 23 years after Islander G-AVCN was repatriated and after 13 years of restoration work, the project is complete.

On 22 April 2023 BNAPS held an 'Launch Event' at the WM&HM where the completed aircraft was seen by many for the first time in its new home, and is now on public display.

See wmahm.org.uk for more information.

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CLIMBING GUERNSEY

Up Climbing is Guernsey's only commercial climbing centre. It opened in 2019, providing a welcoming and exciting environment for all.

Up Climbing was founded by an Osteopath, as an alternative exercise approach for the increasing number of adults and children presenting with the 'core stability of a melted marshmallow' and the associated problems this caused, which included back and neck pain. Climbing is a great alternative to traditional exercises for building core strength and more!

There are many benefits of climbing, including:

1) Improving Strength, Flexibility and Endurance.

It's a great total body workout and helps improve core stability and strength.

2) Improving Coordination and Motor Skills.

Climbing helps develop hand, eye and foot coordination and motor planning skills by using alternating sides of the body.

3) Improving Sensory Processing.

Climbing helps develop and integrate the sensory input into your muscles, joints and balance systems.

4) Building Confidence and Self-Esteem.

Working to tackle 'problems' (climbing routes) helps to build confidence, determination and gives a feeling of achievement.

5) Enhanced Mental Health.

Climbing requires strategies and mental focus (mindfulness) in order to 'send' a route.

Climbing is also a great physical activity for those not interested in team sports. Climbing at Up provides a great social and supportive environment for all abilities.

There are many different options for climbing at Up including: Toddler, Instructor or Parent Supervised sessions, Inductions, Climbing Passes, Memberships, Beginners / Intermediate Courses and Holiday Activities. Group sessions are also available for socials, parties and corporates. We also run daily kids climbing clubs.

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UPWARDLY MOBILE

Before moving to Guernsey, Antonia Rainbow's girls had never tried climbing, but thanks to being invited to a few birthday parties at Up Climbing, they definitely got the climbing bug and nagged her to go again. She booked them onto an instructor-led session for an hour and, it's safe to say, it was a massive hit. Antonia, who runs guernseywithkids.com, highly recommends it for families while in Guernsey.

When walking inside the main room at Up Climbing you are instantly struck by how vibrant the place is. I remember the first time we visited; my girls' eyes were so wide they didn't know where to look first! To the left there is the bouldering wall with a very spongy floor, ahead are the impressive high walls and to the right is the traverse walls with sofas and a bench next to it for those spectating or having a break.

GETTING STARTED

The first job was to put on the climbing shoes and meet Tom, the instructor. Climbing shoes are designed to make it easier on the climbing walls, however, they don't mind if kids want to wear trainers.

FIRST CLIMB

Climbing starts on the traverse wall, which helps kids to warm up. Tom explained how there are no routes on this wall, so it is great for

footwork and coordination, and as kids can do it quite easily. It's also a great way to build their confidence, making them ready for the bigger walls after a few goes.

CLIMBING FUN

Then it was onto the bouldering wall, which is a big step-up from the traverse wall due to its height and complexity, with different coloured route options. Tom talked through the safety aspects of climbing, for example, how to land safely when jumping from the wall, and explained about the different coloured hand holds offering climbs with different difficulties. Tom gave each of the girls a coloured route to follow and they loved seeking out the correct coloured hand and foot holds and were very excited to make it to the top.

THE BIG ONE

Next it was onto the large climbing walls at the back of the hall, which require harnesses and ropes. The kids were shown how to attach the harness to the wire (auto belay) and learnt how to descend safely, and then they were free to climb.

Once the girls had mastered the front wall, they were onto the side walls which offer really tricky route options and the height is on a completely different level. Tom was really encouraging, especially to one of my girls who was nervous about climbing and isn't good with heights. He kept telling

her she could do it, and she was really proud of herself when she made it to the top.

UNTIL NEXT TIME

Both my girls thoroughly enjoyed the climbing walls and were sad for the session to be over. We highly recommend visiting Up Climbing while in Guernsey. They offer something for everyone, whether it's toddler sessions, an instructor-led or parent-led session for children 6yrs+, or one of their popular school holiday clubs. The beauty of climbing is that it is suitable for everyone, you can feel it working your arms, legs, core and muscles you didn't even know you had, but you don't need to be fit to give it a go.

For more information about Up Climbing and other ways to keep kids entertained in Guernsey, visit guernseywithkids.com

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NATWEST 2023 ISLAND GAMES

The big story for this summer in Guernsey is the NatWest Island Games. Held over a week from 8 July – 14 July, the island will see thousands of sports people arrive in the island. Hundreds of volunteers gathered at Beau Sejour in May to collect their accreditation badges, handbook, uniforms and goody bags.

It was also an opportunity for a group photo on the park in which 'Judge Drone' – Mike Stratford – captured volunteers and Games mascot Jet the Puffin from the air.

The following sports will be included:

- Archery
- Athletics
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Cycling
- Football
- Golf
- Indoor bowls
- Sailing
- Shooting
- Swimming
- Table tennis
- Tennis
- Triathlon

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GUERNSEY'S FOOTBALL STARS SHINE

Alex Scott, who plays for Bristol City, was one of the England squad that departed for the FIFA Under-20 World cup in Argentina. He has followed in the footsteps of global superstars such as Lionel Messi, as the competition was one that helped launch his career.

'It's such a privilege to play for my country, whenever I do get the chance, and for it to be my first ever World Cup – hopefully it won't be my last and hopefully one day I can do it with the senior team,' he said.

Meanwhile, Maya Le Tissier and her Manchester United teammates played in the Women's FA Cup Final against Chelsea in front of a world record crowd at Wembley.

An attendance of 77,390 broke the previous best for a women's domestic club fixture set in 2019 when Atletico Madrid hosted Barcelona.

It was a first major cup final for Manchester United and they were on top for much of the first half but Chelsea took the honours for the third consecutive year.

58TH GUERNSEY JERSEY INTER-ISLAND YACHT RACE



One of the premier sailing competitions in the Channel Islands is being held on Saturday 24 June.

The race – which follows a course starting west of La Collette Marina in St Helier Harbour and finishes at Castle Cornet – is sponsored by property experts Savills for the second year running.

Organised by Guernsey Yacht Club and St Helier Yacht Club, the event has been a popular fixture on the sailing calendar since 1964. More than 50 yachts of all types and sizes took part in the 2022 race.

Martin Priest, Rear Commodore Sailing of the Guernsey Yacht Club, said: 'As the largest race in our calendar this event is enthusiastically supported by a complete cross section of the sailing community, with entries including family groups as well as the more serious racing teams.'

'Such a large and diverse number of participants only serves to enhance the tremendous spirit of inter-island rivalry which exists in sailing, as it does with most local sports. Last year's event proved immensely popular – making a welcome return following a two year break due to the coronavirus pandemic – and we can't wait to do it all again.'



A SUMMER OF CRICKET

Guernsey will face the Hampshire Academy in two T20 games as well as two 50-over contests, as part of a summer fixture programme that also includes a trip to the Netherlands in August, inter-insulars in both formats and the traditional matches against the MCC.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, ROTARY CLUB OF GUERNSEY

MEMBER WENDY PEDDER ON HOW ITS 100TH YEAR WAS MARKED

The Rotary Club of Guernsey reached its centenary with the current membership standing at 74, reflecting that the club is thriving and robust. The first meeting was held on 3 October 1922 with the charter received on 3 March 1923. Our sponsor club was The Rotary Club of Bournemouth.

We were therefore thrilled that a large contingent of members and their partners, including the President, Jane Stysliner, were able to travel to Guernsey to help us celebrate our centenary anniversary, learn more about our club, our work in the community and enjoy all that the island offers.

It certainly was an action packed weekend, with a mixture of formalities and fun, held from Friday 3 to Sunday 5 March.

Many members were pleased to assist with the 'meet and greet welcome' and transfer our visiting guests to the St Pierre Park Hotel, adding that personal touch ahead of the Centenary Charter Night. We held a 1920s-themed black-tie dinner, during which we were entertained by the young musicians in The Guernsey Music Service.

Our distinguished guests included honorary member and Bailiff of Guernsey, Mr Richard McMahon, Chair of the regional Board of Rotary International Great Britain and Ireland, Mr Garth Arnold, District Governor nominee, Debbie Dunford, and Rotary Club of Jersey President, Richard Romeril.

Around 180 people, including Rotarians from London, Dinan, Rotary Guernesiais and Guernsey Friends of Rotary, as well as many of our local sponsors and supporters, celebrated the anniversary. A great evening was had, and it was a pleasure to see all the variations of the 1920s-theme!

President of The Rotary Club of Guernsey said: 'We were delighted to be able to showcase the work of the Rotary Club of Guernsey over the last 100 years and the dedicated service that our members provide to the community. It also has been a great opportunity for our guests to experience at first-hand what the islands of Guernsey have to offer with many wanting to return to the islands for a longer stay.'

Rotarian and gold-accredited tour guide Annette Henry led the Saturday tour, offering an insight into our incredible heritage and history spanning from Neolithic to present day.

The wide and often windswept sandy beaches of the West coast juxtaposed with the rugged clifftop coastline enabled the group to see for themselves the variety of fauna and flora that islanders often take for granted.

This was in comparison to the stark and somewhat sombre German bunkers, batteries and trenches from the period Guernsey was occupied during the Second World War.

This led to some interesting discussions and comparisons of the war raging in Ukraine, where so



ABOVE L-R: BRIAN ACTON, PRESIDENT WITH HIS WIFE DONNA MAE; VISITING BOURNEMOUTH AND LOCAL ROTARIANS ON A DAY VISIT TO HERM; CENTENARY CHARTER NIGHT, FEATURING PRESIDENT JANE STYSLINER.

many locals have been displaced, separated from their loved ones and fearful of the future.

A short stop at the beautifully restored Japanese fishing pavilion at Saumarez Park (a signature project for our centenary year) was a highlight, and President Brian Acton gave an impassioned short talk about the huge effort and support from so many individuals and groups on the island, many of whom gave their time freely, to rebuild the original crumbling structure to its former glory for future generations to enjoy. A real lasting legacy instigated and activated by a team of dedicated Rotarians.

Another highlight on the tour was the famous Little Chapel, a collection of shells, pottery and complete tea sets donated by locals is literally the jewel in Guernsey's crown as it shows the labour of love by all those who helped to build it.

On Sunday morning there was a visit to our neighbouring island, Herm, which all of our guests had requested and were very excited about. The weather was kind and, although a little chilly, we had perfect sailing conditions for the 20-minute three-mile crossing from St Peter Port. Herm is an idyllic island, 1.5 miles long by only half a mile wide.

Neither cars nor bicycles are allowed, so we headed off to explore on foot, including taking the path to Shell Beach, named because of the sheer quantity of shells deposited by the Gulf Stream. The walk was led by fellow Rotarian Simon Wood, whose family bought the lease from the States of Guernsey in 1949 just after WWII, and held it until 2008. Simon shared

many childhood memories which everyone found fascinating.

The opportunity was taken to exchange pennants with the Presidents of London and Bournemouth Rotary clubs, over a traditional pub roast lunch in the Mermaid Tavern, which was cheerful and informal.

The commemorative weekend came to a close with a Centenary Thanksgiving service at St Andrew's Parish Church with a hymn sheet designed by local Rotarian, John Campbell.

The service was officiated by The Very Reverend Tim Barker with some initial humour and the use of our gong that had been presented to the Club by our Bournemouth sponsor in 1922. On display was also the new chain of office, gifted to us by Bournemouth Rotary to launch the club towards its next 100 years.

It is often said that connectivity is the key to success and, judging by the success of the weekend, the connections made and friendships forged made for a hugely successful commemorative weekend. As we say in Guernsey 'a la Perchoine', 'until the next time'.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

In order to continue and to evolve, Rotary Guernsey is encouraging younger people who are interested in providing service to the community to get in touch. The club is already involved with several school and youth groups, and competitions such as the Young Chef and the Young Photographer of the year. All are welcome, visit www.rotary-ribi.org to find out more.



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DEAL 4

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£4.85

DEAL 5

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DEAL 7

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