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GREETING FROM AURIGNY CEO NICO BEZUIDENHOUT

Recent news that we at Aurigny are on track to break even as we reshape and improve efficiencies is something in which we take pride and we hope you do too!

That change in situation is the result of an enormous amount of review, restructure and new focus but our core aim remains the same: to be the safe, reliable provider of air services for our island as both a lifeline link and economic enabler for Guernsey. Added to that we strive to ensure that additional services such as our ever-growing range of direct flights to European destinations in summer and winter provide a desirable 'added extra' for residents here.

As insight into how we do the 'day job', it is perhaps worth noting that although Aurigny is a relative minnow in aviation terms, we still have to comply (and happily do so) with a raft of regulation requirements and operational demands. The aviation sector is one in which all participants, large and small, engage voluntarily and regularly to ensure the highest standards of safety, reliability and – more recently – environmental objectives. With the latter in mind, we are finalising our new ESG policy to include tangible support for projects that make an environmental difference in our island and its waters.

Our focus on the environment is a major consideration when we look at how we operate on a day-to-day basis. By flying aircraft efficiently and organising sectors and routes to optimise factors such as fuel use, we can meet customer demands and manage our environmental impact.

Aurigny's mission and vision is to be the primary supplier of safe, reliable and efficient air services within the Bailiwick and beyond. We engage with places in which the islands share social, economic, cultural and critical service links in a sustainable manner and are an effective social and economic enabler.

The pace of change continues within our organisation and it is testament to the hard work of our teams that this re-shaping can be carried out because, as any business or individual knows, innovation requires mindsets and approaches out of the usual and that is a demanding scenario.

We are happy to continue down the path of making Aurigny future-proof and, in the process, expanding our offer to people who live here and promoting our beautiful island to those who might wish to visit for work or leisure.

Our approach to all of this is not to take decisions in isolation. We recently held a series of focus group sessions with groups from all areas of the community including local students. They provided helpful insight and confirmation on several topics that Aurigny will probably always be constantly evolving to meet changing needs. That is welcome, if challenging, and we intend to continue our transformation for the benefit of our islands and beyond.

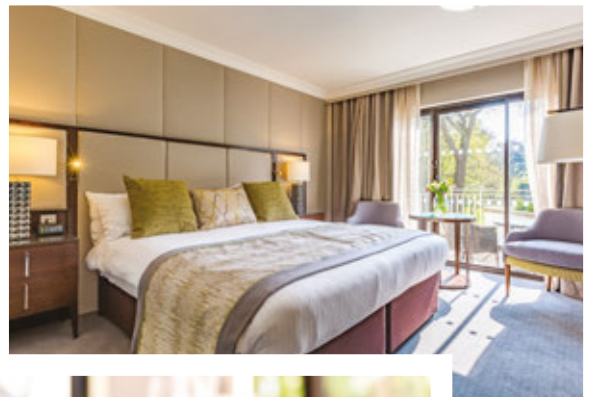
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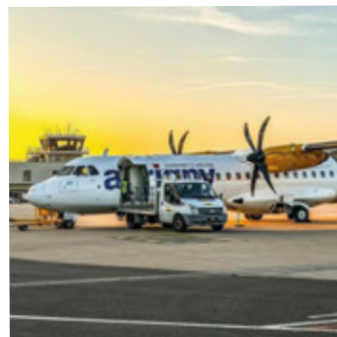


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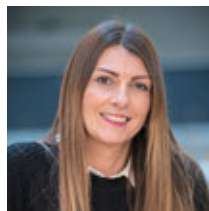
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## Spirit of competition alive and well for Savills Inter-Island Yacht Race

### **Light winds create challenging conditions for crews**

There was a friendly yet competitive atmosphere as crews made waves for this year's Inter-Island Yacht Race.

Sponsored by property agents Savills for the second year running, the 58th edition of this popular annual event saw boats sail from Jersey to Guernsey in challengingly still conditions.

The race – organised by Guernsey Yacht Club and St Helier Yacht Club – is one of the premier sailing events in the Channel Islands. Light winds meant that a decision was taken to shorten the course, moving the start to St Ouen's Bay rather than its customary St Aubin's.

The calm conditions saw several of the 56 boats struggle to clear the start line, with those heading north in search of more breeze generally faring better.

Although the wind filled as the race progressed – enabling most crews to make good progress under spinnaker – it failed to strengthen throughout the afternoon and many boats were becalmed for some time with the tide having turned against them.

Guernsey boat Blackjack, sailed by Martin Ozard and his crew, led the fleet for most of the way but, after passing Lower Heads buoy, ran out of wind, enabling Jersey's Rhys Perkins and his crew in Abracadabra to pass and take first place, with Blackjack in second and Jersey's Alex Ohlsson in Jai Ho third.

The coveted Sir James Knott trophy – given to the three best placed crews from each island – was this year won by Jersey, with Abracadabra, Jai Ho and Jewel (skippered by Jeff Chinn) beating Blackjack, Sun of a Gun 3 and Killing Time. However, the team trophy was won by Guernsey's Sarnia Jays – Blackjack, Majic and Jostler – being the three best placed boats in any nominated team.

There were also other prizes for different categories of yachts, including family crewed and young helm. Savills – which has offices in both Guernsey and Jersey and specialises in local and open market residential sales, lettings and commercial property – has signed up as sponsor of the Inter-Island Yacht Race until 2024.

Stuart Leslie, head of residential sales at Savills Guernsey, said: "Sailing is a favourite past time of lots of islanders and many of us in the office have taken part in the race in the past, so we know first-hand just what a great day it is.

"The event is enthusiastically supported by a complete cross section of the sailing community, bringing people of all ages and abilities together and celebrating everything that is so special about our two islands.

"Despite the challenging conditions, most competitors arrived at the Guernsey Yacht Club in good time to enjoy liquid refreshments and supper in the evening, followed by the prizegiving. Congratulations to all those who took part. We can't wait to do it all again next year."

### **Property Market Overview**

With hundreds of athletes from around the world having visited Guernsey this summer for the International Island Games, its perhaps apt that the housing market of the last six months or so can be described as being a little slow out the starting blocks.

Certainly when compared to the unprecedented heights of recent years, activity has settled.

The rise in the cost of living and increased mortgage rates has led to buyers reducing their budgets, while those who haven't needed to sell have decided to sit tight. Consequently we've seen a return to a more needs based market – people buying and selling due to a change in circumstance such as a new job or for family reasons rather than being driven by a purely lifestyle decision.

However, while there isn't the same level of urgency in the market as there was 12 to 24 months ago, demand remains robust and house price forecasts are broadly positive.

The underlying reasons that make Guernsey such a great place to live will not disappear. The lifestyle on offer in the island is a significant draw for those looking on the Open Market – and there continues to be a core number of committed buyers who are willing to make a move regardless of conditions on the Local Market. We still expect Guernsey to outperform the UK over the next five years – so if you're searching for a home for the long term then it's a good time to be looking.

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HATH ALL TOO  
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# EXETER – EXACTLY WHAT YOU NEED TO UNWIND

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From its rich historical heritage to picturesque landscapes, charming villages and lively festivals, there are countless reasons why you should take one of our flights to Exeter this summer and why its surroundings should be high on your travel list.

Exeter boasts a captivating history that dates back 2,000 years and its historical marvels transport visitors to a bygone era. The city's crowning jewel is Exeter Cathedral, a magnificent Gothic masterpiece that showcases exquisite architectural details and stunning stained glass windows.

Strolling through the cathedral's atmosphere interior is an awe-inspiring experience. Additionally, the city's ancient Roman walls, dating back to the second century, offer a glimpse into its past as a fortified settlement. Exploring the Underground Passages, a unique network of medieval vaulted tunnels, adds an extra layer of intrigue to Exeter's historical allure.

Surrounded by stunning landscapes, Exeter is a gateway to breathtaking natural beauty. Just a short drive away lies Dartmoor Natural Park. This vast wilderness of rolling hills and granite tors also has ancient woodlands and a timelessness which never fails to make an impact. There are also wild swimming spots for those in need of a cooling dip.

Hikers, nature enthusiasts and anyone with an interest in photography will find themselves immersed in the landscape that inspired countless literary works, including Arthur Conan Doyle's *The Hound of the Baskervilles* but even for those simply in search of uplifting natural beauty, it makes a strong impression. The Park's trails and hidden valleys are perfect for exploring during the summer months.

Nearby is the Jurassic Coast. This UNESCO World Heritage Site stretches for 95 miles and reveals 185 million years of geological history. Visitors can enjoy stunning cliffs, hidden coves and fossil-





CLOCKWISE FROM BOTTOM LEFT: THE JURASSIC COAST; BOWERMAN'S NOSE, DARTMOOR, EXMOUTH BEACH, SIDMOUTH; EXETER CATHEDRAL, LYME REGIS, FOSSIL AT LYME REGIS, CLOVELLY. ALL IMAGES ©ISTOCKPHOTO.

rich beaches. Lyme Regis and Sidmouth are two charming coastal towns which provide an idyllic seaside escape and serve as gateways to this beautiful coastline. They also provide an enjoyable 'class English seaside' experience making them perfect for beach picnics and afternoon teas.

Exeter's surrounding countryside is dotted with delightful villages that offer a tranquil escape from the hustle and bustle of the city. Topsham, with its quaint cottages, riverside walks and independent shops, exudes a timeless charm. Visitors can enjoy a leisurely boat trip along the Exe estuary or savour fresh seafood in one of the village's renowned restaurants.

Further afield, Clovelly, a picturesque fishing village, captivates with its steep cobbled streets, whitewashed cottages and stunning coastal views. The absence of cars and the preservation of its traditional character make Clovelly a perfect destination for a summer day trip.

Summer in Exeter and its surrounding area is a vibrant time filled with festivals and events that meet just about any interest from music to food, agricultural shows and historical reenactments.

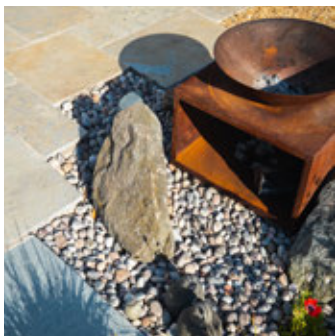
The Exeter Summer Festival is an annual programme of music, art, theatre and dance, attracting visitors from all over the UK. The city also hosts the Exeter Craft Festival where visitors can browse through a wide array of handmade crafts and connect with local artisans.

In nearby Honiton, the Honiton Hill Rally showcases vintage vehicles and machinery, providing a nostalgic journey through the history of transport. Beer festivals, regattas and farming events are just a few examples of the lively activities that fill the summer calendar.

Exeter and its surroundings draw thousands of tourists each year with good reason. Anyone seeking a blend of history, natural beauty and cultural experiences will love the variety on offer. Whether exploring the city, venturing to Dartmoor, exploring the Jurassic Coast or just immersing yourself in the relaxing feel of somewhere with a different vibe, this region promises a memorable experience.

*Book Exeter now at [aurigny.com](http://aurigny.com) and don't forget to explore the links to Aurigny hotels.*





## **StudiO are excited to announce the launch of a new Landscaping Design and Architecture service.**

Following many years honing the relationship between architecture and landscape we are now in a position to offer a standalone dedicated landscape design service in partnership with Plantsman, Jack Etheridge.

As the understanding of biodiversity, low energy principals, low irrigation landscaping and sustainable principles have developed in construction generally, it has become ever more important to plan and conceive projects properly and in a way that aligns with local legislation.

Drawing on a team of local specialists, the StudiO team bring together a unique consultancy service in which Jack's experience, as reflected in his local and UK awards and

which includes work at Kew Gardens and the Chelsea Flower Show, plays a vital role.

Jack's knowledge of plants complements the skills of our Landscape Design team enabling the production of professionally conceived and specified landscaping schemes, from start to finish.

As part of the service we can draw on and coordinate the expertise of a tried and tested team of local specialists, addressing soil health, arboreal management, irrigation, hard landscaping, sourcing of reclaimed materials, tendering to contractors and project oversight, providing a unique consultancy service locally.

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CGI: Project In Progress - Architecture and Landscape



CGI: Tender Stage - Palm House



Landscape Plan: Project On-site



# DUBLIN MAGIC

DUBLIN, THE VIBRANT CAPITAL OF IRELAND, IS A CITY THAT SEAMLESSLY BLENDS ITS RICH HISTORY WITH A MODERN AND COSMOPOLITAN ATMOSPHERE. THIS SUMMER, THERE ARE NUMEROUS COMPELLING REASONS TO VISIT WITH AURIGNY.

This enchanting city has an awesome cultural heritage and lively activities. Coupled with its breathtaking landscape and warm hospitality, Dublin really does promise an unforgettable experience and draws people back time and again. Reasons to visit:

## Festivals and Events

Dublin comes alive with an array of festivals and events during the summer. The March St Patrick's Day Festival is just the start as the summer months continue with a whole host of celebrations and activities. Experience the vibrant atmosphere and live music which takes over the city while the sun shines.

## Cultural Heritage

Dublin's rich cultural heritage is a treasure waiting to be explored. Dublin Castle, which has witnessed centuries of Irish history, provides an instant way to travel back in time. You can immerse yourself in literature at the iconic Trinity College Library, home to the Book

of Kells. Explore Kilmainham Gaol - a former prison that played a significant role in Ireland's struggle for independence. The National Museum of Ireland and the National Gallery house expansive collections that showcase the country's art and archaeology.

## Vibrant Nightlife

Dublin is perhaps best known for its lively and welcoming pub culture. The city boasts a vast selection of traditional pubs where you can enjoy live Irish music sessions, storytelling and hearty conversations with the locals. Temple Bar, with its cobbled streets and colourful facades, is a hub for nightlife, offering a wide range of pubs, clubs and restaurants. Summer nights in Dublin provide the perfect opportunity to experience the city's infectious energy and, obviously, enjoy an authentic pint of Guinness!

## Stunning Natural Beauty

While Dublin is a stunning metropolis, it is also blessed with breathtaking natural beauty. Take a stroll along the picturesque



CLOCKWISE FROM BOTTOM LEFT: PHOENIX PARK; MALAHIDE CASTLE;  
STATUE OF JAMES JOYCE, ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN PARK; THE TEMPLE BAR;  
HA'PENNY BRIDGE, RIVER LIFFEY; HOWTH HARBOUR; GUINNESS.  
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River Liffey which flows through the heart of the city. Phoenix Park, one of the largest urban parks in Europe, offers tranquil green surroundings and the chance to spot wild deer. Just outside the city, the stunning coastal areas of Howth and Malahide have stunning landscapes, charming harbours and scenic cliff walks, allowing you to escape, if you wish, from the hustle and bustle and connect with nature.

#### Historical Neighbourhoods

Dublin is a city of neighbourhoods, each with its own distinct character and charm. Wander through the narrow streets of Temple Bar, famous for its vibrant cultural scene and lively pubs. Explore the Georgian architecture and elegant squares of Merrion and Fitzwilliam. Visit the cool, bohemian district of Smithfield or the historic Liberties area, known for traditional markets and ancient landmarks. Each neighbourhood tells a story of its own, contributing to Dublin's eclectic tapestry.

#### Literary Legacy

Dublin is a UNESCO City of Literature with a rich legacy that has influenced the world. Follow in the footsteps of renowned writers like James Joyce, Oscar Wilde and Samuel Beckett by visiting their former homes and favourite haunts. Immerse yourself

in literary history at the Dublin Writers Museum where you can learn about Ireland's literary giants and their contributions. Walk along the Dublin Literary Pub Crawl, combining literature, history and great company.

#### Warm Irish Hospitality

The people of Dublin are known for their warmth and friendliness. They love getting to know visitors. Experience the renowned Irish hospitality as you interact with locals, who are always keen to share stories, recommendations and a friendly smile. Whether in a cosy pub, charming cafe or bustling market, the welcoming nature of those in Dublin adds an extra layer of charm to your visit making it an experience that draws people back time and again.





# 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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- MALAGA†
- MANCHESTER
- SOUTHAMPTON

### FROM ALDERNEY

- GUERNSEY
- SOUTHAMPTON

† Seasonal route

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# SAFETY FIRST

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## 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?

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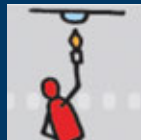
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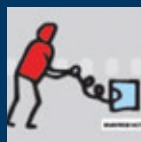
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## GUERNSEY

## Beach Guide

Guernsey has a beach and a bay for everyone. Here we discover L'Eree.



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## L'EREE

L'Eree is a spacious beach of agreeably soft sand, agreeably glossy waters and at times, somewhat less agreeably, a huge amount of thick, black seaweed. At low tide this can be a little off-putting, but high tide swallows it all up and then it's a lovely spot for a swim.

To the north of the bay lies Lihou Island, a windswept satellite that's linked to Guernsey by an old stone causeway. Once a monastic retreat, these days it's open to the public at very low tides. It's well worth a visit – the island's bird and marine wildlife make it an important conservation area, plus there are the ruins of a 12th-century priory.

Lihou has no beaches, but that's more than compensated for by the Venus Pool, a stunning(ly cold), three-metre-deep tidal rock pool at the island's western tip. Jumping into the crystal-clear water on a hot day is just about the best (and certainly the quickest) way to cool off it's possible to imagine.

During the Occupation the Germans used the old farmhouse on Lihou as target practice, firing shells at it from the Pleinmont Observation Tower, the ugly concrete monolith that looms ominously to the north. In the summer of 2007 Lihou was closed to the public for several weeks while the Territorial Army cleared the island of unexploded shells.

In total they removed more than 100 pieces of ordnance, including one that was lurking directly beneath the footpath.

L'Eree is a great place to watch the sunset, as the sinking red sun throws Fort Grey and the distant Hanois Lighthouse into striking relief.

**Optimum Tide:** High

**Best Feature:** The panoramic views across Rocquaine and out to the Hanois Lighthouse

*Taken from Guernsey Beach Guide.*

L'EREE BATTERY ©SHUTTERSTOCK



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](http://gov.gg/dogsonbeaches) for up-to-date information.

# SUMMER SHOWS

August is the month of the summer shows. They've been part of island life for years. Amanda Eulenkamp looks back at their history and how they've adapted as time has passed.

Kicking off the summer show season is the **Vintage Agricultural Show**, held over the weekend of **5 and 6 August**. Billing itself as 'a step back to the 1950s', the show has many attractions on offer, including tractor displays, military vehicles, sheep racing, stalls, evening entertainment and much more. Held in St Peter's (actually at the site of the 1948 West Show), the show is relatively recent but has grown a huge following over the past few years.

The **South Show** follows, on **11 and 12 August**. It's now moved indoors to the Professor Shaw Community Centre in St Martin's. Showcasing traditional country fete stalls and talents, such as competitions in jam and cake making, flower arranging and other crafts, the Show may be smaller than its West and North siblings but it is still a special occasion.

But the two big events in August are undoubtedly the West Show ('West is best!') and the North Show ('Bring forth the North!').

Thousands of islanders and visitors turn out come rain or shine to experience the shows. They are a fabulous excuse to get out and mingle, to enjoy some of the history of the island, sample some fantastic food and simply have a great time.

While they may be held in the same month in the same island, each has its own unique feel.

## THE WEST SHOW 16 AND 17 AUGUST

### A brief history

This year is the 100th West Show. The first Show was held in 1913 (the anomaly in years is due to the outbreak of World Wars) and was held at Les Islets Arsenal.

The minutes record that 'the show was a huge success from every point of view; on both days we were favoured with real summer weather, which contributed in

no small measure in drawing the large attendance and giving financial results beyond our most sanguine expectations. The entries were so numerous, totally over 800 that the Arsenal was found inadequate. There were 129 entries in the cattle classes.'

The success of the first year, however, was not to be repeated in 1914 with the outbreak of World War I.

In 1921 King George V, accompanied by Queen Mary and the Princess Mary, visited and inspected some of the Society's prize winning cattle.

War broke out in 1939 just a couple of weeks before the Show was due to take place. No committee meetings or other activities were held during the German Occupation, so it wasn't until 1946 that the show – held at Les Paysons – took place.

In 1949 and 1950 a variety of entertainment, including 'Johnny Walsh – a trick motorcyclist' took place, adding to its original remit of being an Agricultural and Horticultural Show (which it remains to this day).

Foot and mouth put paid to a show in 1952 but it was back after that, and from 1954 to 1957 took place at L'Eree Aerodrome, then owned by Butlins. It moved around venues until it returned to L'Eree in 1985, where it has remained since.

The site provides the show with an area in excess of 80 verges.

In 1987 the largest funfair ever seen on the island came over, coincidentally the same year that the Society's membership reached its highest level – a total of 2,565 members.

2017 recorded the biggest crowds to the show when the Monster Trust Display Team came to Guernsey for the first time.

The committee cancelled the 2020 West Show because of the Covid-19 pandemic but it is back now, bigger and better than ever!

### The show today

It takes a veritable army of volunteers to get the Show ready for the summer and







ABOVE: THE NORTH SHOW

planning starts as soon as the previous show has finished.

Linda Norman is one of this year's committee members. She has been involved with the show for 15 years since she started helping as a teenager.

'I'm following a family tradition as my mother was a committee member, too,' she said. 'We start planning from September onwards and there are ongoing meetings throughout the year.'

At any time there are up to 45 committee members, each with their own area of responsibility.

This year, the Monster Trucks will be making a return, along with freestyle motorcycle display team Bolddog FMX. 'They'll be in the main arena and will be working together, so the bikes will be jumping over the trucks,' said Linda. There'll also be a local fair, plus all the regular stalls, fur and feather, and displays.

The evenings see the beer tent come alive when local bands entertain the crowds.

But once everyone has gone home, happy and exhausted after time at the show, Linda and her fellow volunteers gather in the

committee tent to get together for a drink, a chat about how it's all gone, and a chance to relax... before doing it all again for the following year.

## THE NORTH SHOW 23 AND 24 AUGUST

### A brief history

The Show has its roots in Guernsey's traditional industries of agriculture and horticulture. Since the South Show went indoors, the North is one of only two remaining outdoor events of its type in Guernsey, the other being the West.

## CRAB POT MAKING IN GUERNSEY

Max Gaudion is keeping the craft of crab pot making alive in this island. He can be seen at local events such as The Viaer Marchi (held in July) demonstrating his craft.

The art of making crab pots goes back centuries to a time when a couple of fishermen – most likely father and son – would work their boat. However, as time has gone by and boats have become motorised, Max explained that modern boats have such strong winches that the willow pots simply couldn't take the strain.

Nowadays, Max not only makes crab pots from willow but other baskets and items as well. He was asked by the National Trust to run some courses so that a new generation of people can learn the ages-old craft.





Held at Saumarez Park, the large grassy arena is the perfect place for entertainment. There is also a marquee and various stalls. Visit to see Guernsey cattle, goats and agricultural produce. The Show also attracts many amateur competitors, with a variety of entries in the fur and feather classes, cut flowers, fruit and vegetables, flower arranging, cakes and baking, and the craft classes such as wood or metal working, embroidery and photography. These classes always attract a large children's entry.

**Let battle commence!**

The **Battle of Flowers** is held on the afternoon of the second day of the North Show, when all spectators can take part in judging the floats which are competing for the coveted Prix d'honneur. Until the early 1960s the parade of floats culminated in an actual 'battle' when the floats were stripped, and competitors and spectators alike bombarded each other with the flowers.

Over the years though, the battle got too boisterous, and sometimes it wasn't just the flowers that were thrown. Today, the flowers are often made of paper. Preparing the floats can take many hours, so as well as a daytime parade, the floats survive the 'battle' to take part in an illuminated parade in the evening, culminating in a spectacular firework display.

See [westshow.com](http://westshow.com) and [northshow.org.gg](http://northshow.org.gg) for up to date information on the two largest shows, how to get there, and ticket details.



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# GUERNSEY NEEDS YOU!

ADVERTORIAL

**Floral Guernsey chairman John Woodward explains why volunteers are needed to help keep Guernsey in bloom.**

Visitor exit surveys consistently place our floral displays high on their approval list and said how significant they were to their enjoyment of the Bailiwick.

A large proportion of these would have been designed, installed and maintained by volunteers willing to give up a portion of their free time. Following the challenges of the pandemic our parishes need a helping hand.

Floral Guernsey was formed around 30 years ago as an extension of the States Tourist Board to promote floral events throughout the Bailiwick of Guernsey. At that time, apart from a few private installations, public floral displays were a little meagre, especially when compared to other British tourist destinations such as Stratford upon Avon or Harrogate.

Why? We lived in such a wonderful place with a history of horticulture and yet we were not taking advantage of it. Beautiful floral displays would make a wonderful addition to our visitor offering after all.

Evan Ozanne was the deputy director of tourism at the time, and he decided to do something by getting a team of enthusiasts around him to make the most of our beautiful islands.

The Floral Guernsey Council was formed, an independent organisation run almost entirely by volunteers and funded by a combination of States grants and private sponsorship. In 2023, the council is currently looking for volunteers who can bring expertise to the organisation and help it plan its growth for the benefit of the community.

In June 1996 the council held its first major event. This was the inaugural Floral Guernsey Show in Cambridge Park, which attracted around 12,000 people

to experience our own miniature version of Chelsea. This was repeated again in 1997 and a year later the Floral Guernsey Festival was held in the first week of June.

In the late '90s and early 2000s, Floral Guernsey fever really took hold. This was when the island saw its first successes in the Britain in Bloom competitions and hundreds of volunteers around the parishes rolled up their sleeves and got their hands dirty.

Volunteers are the lifeblood of Floral Guernsey. Without them our parishes and smaller islands cannot look at their best and make each of us proud. These wonderful displays add magic to our municipal areas and put a huge smile on people's faces.

The great thing is that becoming a volunteer need not be a huge commitment. You can choose how many hours you want to give. Some just do a few hours each month, while those with more time on their hands throw themselves into it with vigour and great gusto.

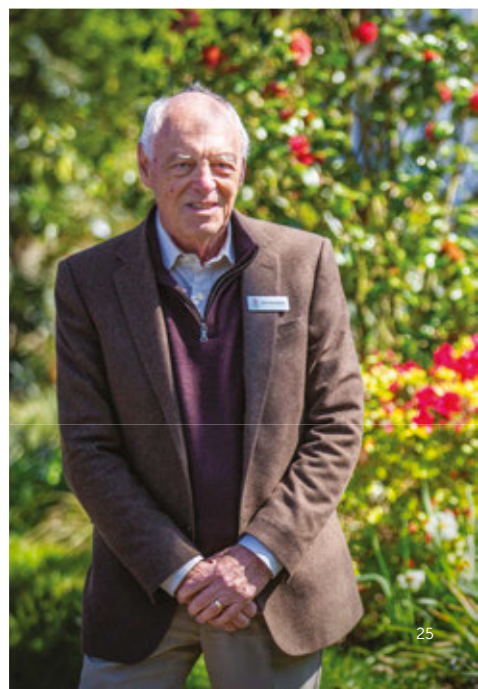


L-R: DAVE STUART AND NATIONAL JUDGE RAE BECKWITH VISITING ST ANDREWS DOUZAINÉ ROOM; DAME MARY PERKINS AT THE FLORAL GUERNSEY COMMUNITY AWARDS AT LES COTILS; FLOWERS ON SHOW AT CAMBRIDGE PARK; VICE CHAIRMAN, JOHN WOODWARD AT THE LAUNCH OF THE FLORAL GUERNSEY SILVER ANNIVERSARY GARDEN. IMAGES © BRIAN GREEN; LUKE LE PREVOST; SOPHIE RABEY.

Floral Guernsey's patron is Dame Mary Perkins and we are responsible for the Floral Community Competition, which is part of the National RHS Britain in Bloom competition. There are many fine gardens in Guernsey and we help people to open them to the public on behalf of local charities, run family activities and we can give expert advice. We are also proud of the legacy work we undertake such as the magnificent Floral Guernsey garden at Candie Gardens. Pop in and take a look.

Not only do we need volunteers on the ground, but we would also welcome assistance from companies looking to fulfil their CSR remit. So, if you want to volunteer and give something back to our beautiful island then email [info@floralguernsey.co.uk](mailto:info@floralguernsey.co.uk) and we will put you in touch with your local Floral Guernsey organisers. We'd also love to hear from you if you are interested in joining the Floral Guernsey committee.

I want to leave you with this inspirational quote: 'Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless.'





# WE NEED YOU!

Our parishes need a helping hand and volunteers are the lifeblood of Floral Guernsey. Without **YOU** our parishes and smaller islands cannot look at their best. So why not get involved and help our island, don't worry you can choose how many hours you want to give, every one is valuable to us.

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ABOVE L-R: KITCHEN GARDEN; JAPANESE PAVILION.

# FAMILY FUN AT SAUMAREZ PARK

## ANTONIA RAINBOW EXPLORES THE ISLAND'S LARGEST PUBLIC PARK

We are very lucky in Guernsey to have a number of great play parks, and our firm favourite is Saumarez Park. Guernsey's largest public park, located a few minutes' drive inland from Cobo Bay, is the perfect place for combining biking, feeding ducks, climbing trees, lots of playing, and thanks to the great café, it has something for everyone.

### FREEDOM

There is a lovely sense of space in Saumarez Park due to the large expanse of grass in the centre, and thanks to it being fully contained (with walls and trees lining the outer edges), kids can run freely. No matter when you visit you will see families enjoying playing football, throwing a frisbee etc on the lawn.

### BIKING

On a small island with lots of small roads and limited pavements, it can be dangerous for children to cycle on the roads, which is why Saumarez Park is such a popular choice for kids. In 2021 road markings were introduced on a section of the tarmac around the park to teach children road safety skills in a car-free environment. The course which includes yellow lines, a zebra crossing and even a roundabout (around a tree!), is such a great addition.

### DUCKS

On one side of the park is the beautiful Japanese Pavilion and duck pond. My girls love dumping their bikes and running onto the pavilion to feed the ducks. No matter how much food they have had, they always seem very hungry ducks! It's also really peaceful watching the carp come to the surface taking advantage of the glut of duck food.

### PLAYGROUND

Saumarez Park has a fantastic playground for children of all ages and it is by far my girls' favourite on the island. The centre piece is a large pirate ship with a tall climbing section joining the two ends of the ship. There is also a whole host of things to play on suitable for children of all ages from swings, slides, zip wire and swinging ropes to a lighthouse.

### SAUMAREZ PARK CAFE

When it's time for refreshments there is a café a few minutes' walk from the playground. It's quite an eclectic place with flags from around the world and teddies hanging from the ceiling. There is a blackboard room (where the walls are painted with blackboard paint and they give kids chalk to use), a large TV on the wall which is often playing a kid's program and some coin operated machines, making the café a big hit with children.

The café is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner offering reasonably priced hot and cold food and drinks.

### AND THERE'S MORE!

Saumarez Park is also home to The Victorian Walled Kitchen Garden (a pretty garden maintained by an army of volunteers who cultivate fruit, vegetables, flowers and house plants), and the National Trust of Guernsey Folk & Costume Museum (there is a charge to enter the museum).

They also host a vast array of family-friendly events throughout the year including the North Show and Battle of the Flowers, Viera Marchi (celebrating Guernsey's heritage), and Classic Vehicle Show, to name a few. No matter what time of year you visit Guernsey, a visit to Saumarez Park is a must.

*Antonia Rainbow lives in Guernsey and is mum to 10-year-old twin girls. She founded Guernsey With Kids to help local families and visitors get the best out of the island. Visit [guernseywithkids.com](http://guernseywithkids.com) for more information about Saumarez Park along with many more places to visit.*

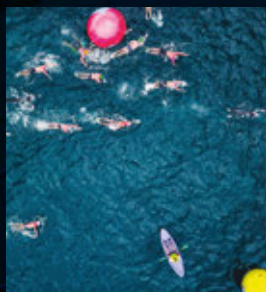




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# HAVELET REGATTA: A NEW CELEBRATION

St Peter Port will play host to a new regatta, taking place on the first Sunday in September. Amanda Eulenkamp met up with organiser Odette Duerden to find out what inspired her to create the latest show in Town.

When I met up with Odette and her husband, Barrie, it wasn't difficult to spot the inspiration for the new Havelet Regatta. Their home overlooks Havelet Bay and Castle Cornet, a perfect spot for a community regatta.

'A couple of years ago I looked out and saw the amount of activity that was going on in Havelet. There were people sailing, rowing, and kayaking. I think it was high tide and there were people jumping off the wall into the sea, lots of people swimming, and it just struck me that it was odd that there wasn't a regatta here,' said Odette.

'And the words came out of my mouth and that was it! Fortunately, Barrie was really encouraging and he spoke to other people about it. Their responses were all positive.'

Thinking that this wasn't 'just a mad idea', Odette had numerous conversations with people until, a couple of years later, the outline of a regatta was in place. Financial support was forthcoming from sponsors Voyonic, and the event will raise money for the Guernsey Cheshire Home which offers care and opportunities to people with

serious physical disabilities. As the Home does not receive any direct States of Guernsey funding, the regatta aims to make a real financial difference.

'We are enormously grateful to Voyonic who have been incredibly generous with their support,' she said.

Odette didn't go into the organisation of the regatta completely blind, as her father, Francis Paul, had been on the Rocquaine Regatta committee for at least 20 years, so she understood some of the work that goes on behind the scenes. Rocquaine Regatta committee member Jon Collenette has also been very encouraging and happy to give advice here and there.

'We always knew that it was going to be a lot of work, but it was only once we really got started that we understood what a huge undertaking an event like this is. Barrie and I are not alone though, there is a fantastic team of dedicated and hard-working committee members who are equally passionate about the community and helping others.'

'The first thing we did was to contact all the various authorities in Guernsey needed to help with things like traffic and so on. Safety is paramount particularly in view of the proximity of the sea. But once we had all those permissions

sorted out, we could go and do the fun stuff!'

And the fun stuff really sounds fun, as the activities are taking place on the land, the sand and in the sea.

One new event is the much-anticipated office chair race, as well as rowing, sailing, water polo and the 'Wacky races', including three-legged races, pirate relay races, beach stunts and the Bigwig and Fry race – an adult and child race.

There is also going to be lots of music and crafts, and even a Fancy Hat Swim Parade, so definitely something for all the family to enjoy.

A new regatta in Town? I'm sure it won't be long before this one is firmly embedded into the summer show season.

*Havelet Regatta takes place on Sunday 3 September. More information can be found at [facebook.com/haveletregatta](https://facebook.com/haveletregatta) and [haveletregatta.gg](https://haveletregatta.gg)*



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## PICTURE PERFECT: GUERNSEY'S VINTAGE POSTCARDS

This year's Priaulx Library Garden Exhibition features a collection of vintage postcards that perfectly preserves early 20th century Guernsey.

More than 30 vintage postcards will feature in this year's Priaulx Library Garden Exhibition that is running throughout the summer months. Sponsored by Ravenscroft, Picture Perfect: Guernsey Vintage Postcards includes a vibrant collection of images that record the changing social and economic history of this island as well as featuring observations of visitors at the time.

Traditional Guernsey occupations such as fishing and farming are well represented, along with historical modes of transport, architecture, and the island's coast.

'The library's postcards have remained largely hidden, yet they comprise a significant collection redolent of Guernsey life in a bygone age,' said Sue Laker, chief librarian at the Priaulx Library.

'There are many scenes that remain unchanged, even today, but it's also fascinating to see just how much is now different.'

In addition to being a form of social communication, postcards were also a useful medium for advertising and fundraising.

Group managing director of investments at Ravenscroft, Mark Bousfield, commended the Priaulx Library's ability to continuously find original treasures to share.

'Over the 10 years that we've supported the Priaulx Library, the exhibitions have never failed to impress,' he said. 'Whether it's stories of the Occupation and liberation, rare treasures, or historic headlines, their annual exhibition has become a highlight in the Guernsey calendar, and we're pleased to be able to play a small part in bringing them to the public.'

The exhibition will run all summer. It is free to attend, with limited parking within the library grounds.

### ABOUT THE PRIAULX LIBRARY

The Priaulx Library, set in picturesque Candie Gardens, has been collecting, cataloguing and preserving records, artefacts and books that document Guernsey's history and unique identity since 1889. The Library aims to make this important collection as accessible as possible and the archives are open to the public.

Candie House was built around 200 years ago by Peter Mourant, a merchant and businessman, and was bought by Joshua Priaulx in 1830, who sold it on to his brother Osmond de Beauvoir. In 1871 Osmond gifted his collection of rare books, together with the house and its grounds, to the island of Guernsey.



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## **TIMEWARP 2023: A PICNIC WITH Renoir**

In September 1883, the French artist Renoir arrived in Guernsey and stayed for a little over a month, spending time at Moulin Huet. He painted around 15 views of the area, including the cottage by the beach which still stands today, and is the inspiration for Timewarp 2023. Timewarp is in the role play area of the Discovery Room, and is accessible and interesting for visitors of all ages, but especially the young and young at heart. There's lots of dressing up to enjoy from putting on an artist smock with beret, a Victorian summer dress or even a pastry chef outfit. Daily from 10am – 4pm at Guernsey Museum, Candie Gardens.

11 & 12 August

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1 – 3 September

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10am – 6pm. Full information at [facebook.com/haveletregatta](https://facebook.com/haveletregatta)

Saturday 9 September

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30 September –  
15 December

## RENOIR IN GUERNSEY, 1883 EXHIBITION

Celebrating the 140th anniversary of Renoir's stay in Guernsey, this is the only Renoir exhibition in the world in 2023.

The centrepiece of the event will be a fine art exhibition at Candie Museum, with other exhibitions and activities planned at the Priaulx Library, the Renoir Walk and Art for Guernsey's gallery in the Old Quarter.

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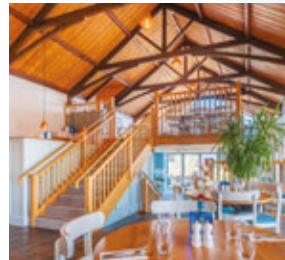


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Further information and to book see [derbyshire.gov.uk/leisure/countryside/whats-new-this-season/derbyshire-woodland-festival](https://derbyshire.gov.uk/leisure/countryside/whats-new-this-season/derbyshire-woodland-festival)

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# Renoir

## IN GUERNSEY, 1883

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We are excited to be the headline sponsor of this incredible initiative for Guernsey. To be hosting a world-class exhibition of works by a renowned artist such as Pierre-Auguste Renoir is a major coup for the island. Our congratulations go to Art for Guernsey for their endeavour and entrepreneurial spirit, which is something Investec endorses as part of our own culture.

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ABOVE: ROCHERS DE GUERNSEY AVEC PERSONNAGES (PLAGE À GUERNSEY). RIGHT: SELF PORTRAIT 1875.

# RENOIR IN GUERNSEY, 1883

Art for Guernsey has joined forces with Guernsey Museums and the Musée des Impressionismes Giverny to curate an unmissable exhibition which celebrates the 140th anniversary of Pierre-Auguste Renoir's stay in Guernsey and the inspiration that he found on the island.

In September 1883, French Impressionist painter Pierre-Auguste Renoir stayed in Guernsey for just over a month. During this period, he worked on at least 15 paintings, many of Moulin Huet bay. An international exhibition is now showing at the Musée des Impressionismes in Giverny, France before moving to Guernsey Museum at Candie from 30 September – 17 December. The fine art exhibition features a number of the artist's Guernsey masterpieces, which have been loaned by museums including the National Gallery in London and the Musée d'Orsay in Paris. Among these international loans sits *Rochers de Guernesey avec personnages* (plage à Guernesey), which Art for Guernsey syndicated a group of local art collectors to

acquire, and which was last seen by islanders at 'Through the Eyes of a Master', the charity's 2020 exhibition.

Renoir's visit to Guernsey marked an inflexion point in his career: the artist was amused by the presence of bathers in liberal bathing attire who happily undressed on the rocks at Moulin Huet. He used this as inspiration to move away from portraiture and start painting nudes into landscapes, a key narrative that would continue over the following decades of his career.

The inspiration that Renoir found on the island had not been well documented, and the Art for Guernsey team were astonished to find out about it when Cyrille Sciamia, the Director of the Musée des Impressionismes Giverny and

a world-renowned authority on Impressionism, came to inaugurate the Renoir Walk, a self-guided alfresco exhibition commissioned by Art for Guernsey, comprising five specially made frames to echo the ornate frames Renoir chose for his own artworks, to allow participants to see Moulin Huet bay from the same perspectives as the artist did.

David Ummels, founder of Art for Guernsey, said: 'Renoir in Guernsey, 1883 is an example of how a small team can achieve beyond its means, to stage an event that, for the size of the island, is nothing short of extraordinary. It is not only putting Guernsey's artistic heritage on the map, but it is building cultural bridges well beyond its shores - not least because such prestigious art museums have seen



IMAGES CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: ONE OF THE PICTURES FROM THE CULTURAL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME; PART OF THE RENOIR WALK; PAUL CHAMBERS – BEACH.

fit to lend us their masterpieces. Sitting at the same table as these esteemed institutions is great news for the island.'

What can you expect from Renoir in Guernsey, 1883? While the fine art exhibition at Guernsey Museum at Candie is the centrepiece of the exhibition, Art for Guernsey has created a number of satellite exhibitions to engage the entire community.

#### **Paul Chambers - Catching Light and Time: In the Shadows of Renoir, Art for Guernsey Gallery**

Local photographer Paul Chambers, armed with photographic equipment that would have been available in the 19th century, took up the challenge of achieving what Renoir thought to be impossible: to capture the movement of the light. This challenge is particularly relevant at Moulin Huet, where Renoir thrived in terms of representing the various shades of light in the masterpieces that he painted in Guernsey. Families and communities are invited to engage with the project by taking the #RenoirChallenge to see what they can achieve with smartphones and cameras, with images being featured on social media and in the Art for Guernsey Gallery on Mansell Street.

#### **Cultural Enrichment Programme, Art for Guernsey Gallery**

As a teenager, Renoir was employed at a workshop in Paris, decorating cups and saucers and skipping lunch to go to the Louvre to educate his eye instead of going to art school, which his parents could not afford. Art for Guernsey created a Cultural Enrichment Programme to bring Renoir's work to life, engaging 530 Year Three pupils in 13 primary schools, paying tribute to his early life by printing their resulting artworks on ceramic tiles. The charity loves to turn children into exhibiting artists, so the tiles will be on show in the Art for Guernsey Gallery.

#### **A Day in 1883, Priaux Library**

A chance to look back on Guernsey's local heritage with a collection of engravings, photographs and documents recreate the atmosphere of the island, reflecting the experience Renoir would have encountered at the time of his visit in 1883.

#### **Renoir Walk, Moulin Huet Valley**

A permanent feature at Moulin Huet, this self-guided exhibition is a fantastic, inspiring asset for the tourism industry in Guernsey, combining natural beauty, physical activity and culture. It is a unique

experience to be able to attend an exhibition, then enjoy the real views, completely untouched, some 140 years after they were painted by Renoir. The popularity of the Renoir Walk is testament to the love islanders and visitors have for the island's natural beauty and the experience, particularly in the context of this fine art exhibition, will provide art lovers with a very special additional perspective.

Art for Guernsey has launched a brand-new website, where you can purchase tickets for Renoir in Guernsey, 1883. When checking out, you will have the opportunity to 'pay it forward' by buying additional tickets for the island's schoolchildren, as the charity is committed to inviting every student in the Bailiwick to visit the exhibition. Your support would be welcomed.

#### **KEY DATES:**

Musée des Impressionnistes, Giverny: 14 July - 10 September

Guernsey Museum at Candie: 30 September - 17 December

[www.artforguernsey.com/event/renoir-in-guernsey-1883/](http://www.artforguernsey.com/event/renoir-in-guernsey-1883/)



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Participating in this brand new food festival was such fun and the menus were really innovative. To win really was the icing on the cake! I'd encourage everyone to take part next year – all you have to do is eat out, and support your local restaurants – what could be simpler?

Julie Todd



**Top left** Julie Todd, winner of our £1,200 of Dining out vouchers and GHA president Alan Sillett.

**Top right** Instagram winning photographs by Nikki.

**Bottom right** Just a few of the complimentary quotes from very happy diners!

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# BY HOOK OR BY CROOK...

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Make sure you book a table at Guernsey's Hook bar and restaurant. Offering seafood, sushi, steak and cocktails, Amanda Eulenkamp and friends went along to sample its fare.

Hook has enviably one of the best locations in St Peter Port. Situated opposite the harbour, it is as close to water's edge dining as you can get in Town.

Good, then, that it prides itself on its seafood. But this restaurant is about much more than the fresh catch of the day (which, by the way, is a delicious choice). Authentic sushi is served as well as succulent steaks, all topped off with an imaginative cocktail list (there are mocktails if you're driving or just want to have an alcohol-free evening – my colleague, Ash, enjoyed a virgin Mojito and my son, Tom, a virgin Bloody Mary).

When we arrived at Hook after a day's work, all starving and salivating at the thought of the spread ahead of us, we were quickly met and shown to our table. Owner Sam Jarrold was soon with us, and we decided to be guided by his

knowledge of the menu and wine list. Ascertaining that we all liked fish, steak and sushi and that there were no allergies apart from one person who had a lactose intolerance (which was efficiently and discreetly noted), Sam headed off to order our food from the kitchen.

While waiting, I sipped on a 'Kyoto's Garden' cocktail (Roku Japanese gin, maraschino liqueur, geisha tea and yuzu liqueur), which hit the spot on a hot evening, teasing my taste buds in anticipation of the feast to come.

And a feast it was. Beautiful, fresh sushi, made with the best Japanese rice and ingredients, were devoured by us all. The Kani rolls made of chancre crab, soft shell crab, and spicy miso vinaigrette were exquisitely delicious. We were also treated to some Guernsey seared scallops with smoked cauliflower, scallops ceviche (always a favourite, I love the freshness of the citrus coupled with a bit of bite), and lobster Gunkan Nigiri. From memory, we fought over the last piece of lobster...

I accompanied my meal with an elegantly cool glass of English wine, a Gusbourne rosé. Tom,

meanwhile, went for a fuller-bodied red to accompany the beef dishes.

Between us, we shared three main dishes together with a selection of side orders. Tom and photographer Peter eyed up the individual beef wellingtons and the rib on the bone. Thankfully, there was enough for all four of us to tuck in and savour the flavours.

The Aberdeen rib was cooked to perfection, on the rare side, which is exactly how I like it. Served with a jug of bone marrow jus and accompanied by some triple cooked chips, its simplicity was elevated by flavour and cooking to a superb dish.

Equally, the individual beef wellingtons had just the right ratio of pastry and filling (parma ham, duck liver parfait and mushroom duxelles) to meat.

To balance the meat dishes, we had some wonderful monkfish. I was introduced to monkfish in Portugal many years ago and have loved it ever since. This dish didn't disappoint. It was the catch of the day and was served with clams and samphire. Divine.



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Our side dishes were as imaginative as the main ones. Royal Jersey new potatoes with baby broad beans and mint yoghurt was a lovely twist on what could have been just a side order of new potatoes. Being in season, the Royal Jerseys were absolutely gorgeous. A simple parmesan and rocket salad, and Sark asparagus with almond, yogurt and apple, enhanced the main dishes.

By now, we were feeling full and satisfied. Sitting back on our chairs, we reflected on the meal and on the vibe that is Hook.

We ate on the ground floor but there is another floor with a view serving the same delicious menu upstairs. If you're just after sushi, you can enjoy an authentic Japanese 'Omakase' dining experience at the sushi bar, situated within the restaurant. 'Omakase' means 'I'll leave it up to you', so if you're not sure what to order, you can sit near the chef and watch him work and interpret your culinary needs.

Right at the top is the Hook & Sling cocktail bar, a popular place to meet up with friends for a drink even if you're not eating at Hook.

But I digress... we hadn't finished... our job was not yet done...

We could only just about manage two desserts between four of us. The miso chocolate fondant, served with white chocolate ice cream, ginger caramel and sesame, was just sweet enough to end a meal. The chef also rustled up a lactose-free dessert of poached strawberries with meringue and sorbet.

We'd all been to Hook before but we agreed that we wouldn't leave it so long before booking a table for a return visit or ordering a takeaway (you can order via an app).

We were, quite simply, (excuse the pun) Hooked.



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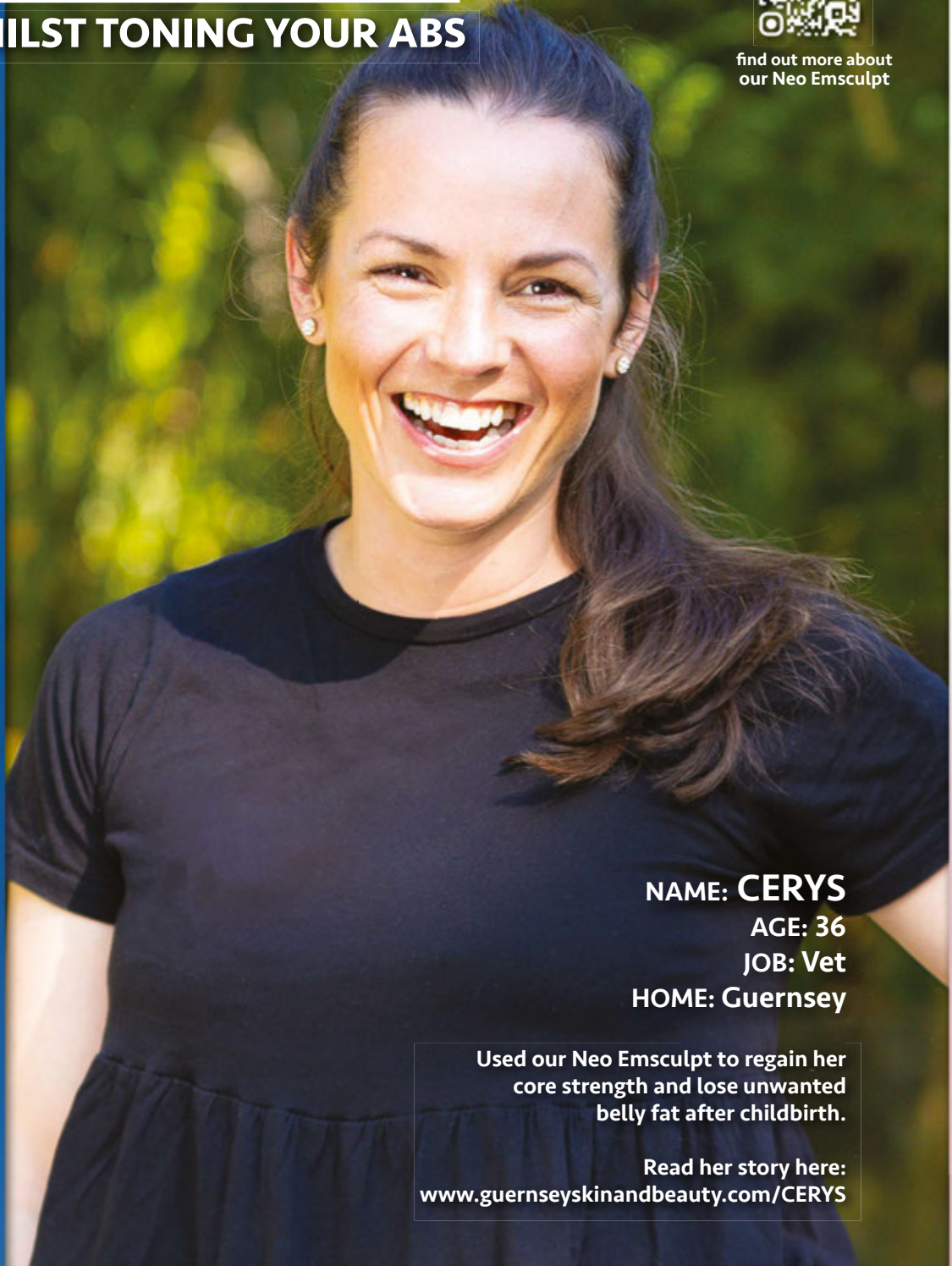
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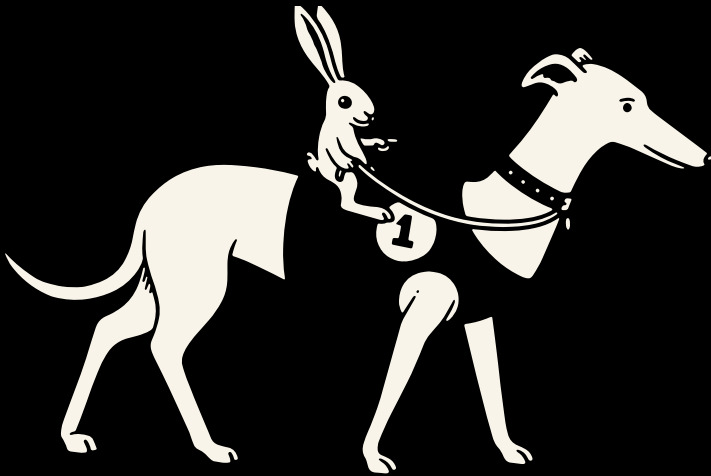
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# AN ITALIAN ADVENTURE

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JUST ONE FOR THE ROAD



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I'm writing this the week after Guernsey hosted the NatWest International Island Games. It was a fabulous week for the island, buzzing with so many competitors and supporters from other islands across the globe.

Mostly the weather was pretty good, although the rain at the end of the week added a certain frisson of danger to the cycling races! There's a selection of images from the Games on page 117 for anyone who missed it or those that want to re-live the magic.

The weather has been on the news with stories of unprecedented heatwaves in Europe and America, coupled with flooding in Vermont. I saw somebody in Torremolinos say that the destination would be looking to promote itself as a winter holiday spot if summer temperatures continued to rise, especially as the weather was so good in Britain in July and August. Which got me thinking about what's on our doorstep and closer to home.

All those visitors to the Island Games saw the Bailiwick of Guernsey bathed in sunshine and blue skies for most of their stay. They would have seen the other islands in the Bailiwick, may even have visited them. On pages 50 and 51 we take a whistle-stop tour

of the other islands, hopefully enough to pique your interest in visiting them. Of course, they're not just a summer destination. Wrap up warm as autumn and winter approach and enjoy the sheer beauty that surrounds you as you enjoy a bracing walk.

England also has its beautiful areas, including the Peak District. Having grown up in the West Midlands, I shamefully admit to knowing the East Midlands less well than I should... but researching the area – with its history of factories, iconic English villages and stunning scenery – for the articles starting on page 66, as well as reading Jessica's article on 48 hours in Derby and Nottingham on page 62, made me realise that it was time to re-visit it. It's easily reached by flying into East Midlands airport which itself is a great hub to destinations further afield. We have a competition to win two seats to East Midlands from Guernsey, plus some accommodation and vouchers for experiences when there.

My cousins, who live in Cambridgeshire, flew from East Midlands to Guernsey earlier this year to celebrate my birthday with me. Travelling with a just-two-year-old, they commented on how easy the airport was to navigate with a toddler, how helpful the staff were both at the airport and on Aurigny,

and that they would absolutely use that route again.

Gatwick, of course, continues to be Aurigny's busiest route. Whether flying into London or the south-east or using the airport as a connection point for further afield, there can be few islanders who have not travelled through it at least once in their lives.

Whether you're a seasoned London traveller or not, Astrid's great article on the capital city (page 58) will help you to see it through a fresh pair of eyes and maybe entice you to visit a museum or a park that you haven't been to before.

And if you use Gatwick as a connection point, then why not follow in travel blogger Rupert's footsteps and explore Italy, particularly the Lakes and Lake Garda? I enjoyed following him on social media and confess to living vicariously through him earlier this summer as he visited Venice, the Lakes and other beautiful Italian places, sharing his love of nature, walks, food and culture. Read his adventures on page 55 which may inspire you to book a trip to Italy... beautiful in Autumn, too.

Ciao for now.



# PARADISE ON THE DOORSTEP

Whether you're visiting the Bailiwick for the first time or live here, nothing re-charges the batteries better than a visit to one of the smaller islands, especially in the summer.

The Channel Islands have a beauty of their own, especially on a day when the sun glistens on turquoise waters and white boats float serenely between the islands. Even when the wind whips up and the sea transforms to a grey and white foam and those same boats retreat to their moorings, there is a savage beauty to the scene.

From Guernsey, you can see Alderney, Sark, Herm and the smaller islands, as well as Jersey in the distance. So much to explore on the doorstep.

So, whether you are planning a day trip or a longer stay, what do the smaller islands in the Bailiwick have to offer?

## ALDERNEY

Aurigny offers daily flights to the northern isle, the third largest of the Channel Islands. The trip takes around 20 minutes and whisks you away to another world.

Once there, you can choose to hire a car to get around, or maybe a

bicycle (there are electric ones for hire, too), book a taxi (there is a rank outside the airport) or simply walk. The island is a walker's paradise, and there are plenty of self-guided walks available to pick up as a booklet from the Visitor Information Centre. Or take a look at [visitalderney.com/see-do/walks-trails/](http://visitalderney.com/see-do/walks-trails/) to plan your trip before you get there.

As well as getting away from it all on the rugged cliffs or sandy bays, there is a lot of history to absorb in Alderney, too.

**Nunnery Roman Fort** This is the best preserved Roman small fort in Britain and is the first evidence of military construction on Alderney. It is the first evidence of military construction on Alderney and was originally built in the 4th century to defend the anchorage in Longis Bay harbour and the nearby Roman settlement. The site epitomises the way fortifications have been adapted and reused over the years. Tudors, British soldiers and even German soldiers have made this fort their base.

The site is newly opened after a major make over. There are story boards, an information room, large WWII bunker and much, much more to explore on this amazing heritage site. Free entry.

**Bunker Odeon** Open from 10am – 4pm every day (unless the wind is too strong).

This massive MP3 concrete tower was built by forced labourers under the German occupying power in 1943. Originally, it was intended as a naval range-finding position to observe enemy ships and was to be part of a network with five other similar towers placed around the island. The rounded front section was for observation and the rear section for accommodation and target plotting.

Newly reopened to the public there are four floors to explore with information boards. On a clear day, the observation levels, one of which has a telescope, offer amazing views to France. Free entry.

**Victorian Fort Doyle** Open from 10am – 4pm every day.

Completed in 1854, Doyle's Battery is the smallest fort on the island and originally accommodated four guns with barracks for 22 men, officers' quarters, cookhouse, magazine and artillery stores. During the Occupation, two anti-tank gun bunkers were constructed along with bunkers for tank turrets, mortars, machine guns and



L-R: OVERLOOKING BRAYE HARBOUR, ALDERNEY; CREUX HARBOUR SARK; SHELL BEACH, HERM; FAMILY TIME ON SHELL BEACH, HERM; LA COUPÉE, SARK; EXPLORING ON TWO WHEELS, ALDERNEY. ALL IMAGES ©VISITGUERNSEY

personnel in what was known to the Germans as Resistance Nest Dohlenfeste.

**Nature** A designated RAMSAR site, Alderney is home to regionally, nationally and internationally important populations of sea birds. It is also home to the famous blonde hedgehog. Legend has it that four blonde hedgehogs – properly blond rather than albino with currant black eyes – arrived on Alderney as pets, having been purchased from Harrods. They escaped or were released, and went on to thrive in the wild.

*For further information see [visitalderney.com](http://visitalderney.com)*

## SARK

The ferry to Sark takes around 35 – 50 minutes and passes Herm and Jethou, where you may spot puffins and even dolphins in the water. The trip will transport you to a world where there are no motor vehicles nor streetlights (Sark became the world's first dark sky island in 2011 and is a wonderful place to go star gazing). You may spot a tractor or a horse-drawn carriage but most people get around on foot or by bicycle (which can be hired on the island).

It is quite a haul up the hill from the Maseline jetty, where visitors on commercial boats disembark, but there is the handy 'toast rack', a tractor bus which, for a small sum, will carry you up there. If you do choose to walk up, you'll be rewarded with discovering the scenic pathways of the island.

Once at the top, you can head off to see La Coupee, a spectacularly steep isthmus linking Sark with Little Sark.

A visit to La Seigneurie House and Gardens is a must. It is the 18th century home of the feudal head of Sark. The gardens are open from Easter until late September. The award-winning walled floral garden is a delight of colour, shape and smell.

Recently added are walks through the woods to the pond with the Monk's Well and the newly installed bridge. There is a wooded area to the north of the Archery Lawn which hosts a stumpery.

The house dates from 1565 and has seen many alterations and additions over the centuries. The house is open for guided tours but these must be pre-booked.

*For further information see [sark.co.uk](http://sark.co.uk)*

## HERM

Herm is a mere 20 minutes by boat from Guernsey and makes for a perfect day out. There are numerous paths through heathland, farmland, and woodland, plus coastal and cliff paths to enjoy.

A cluster of gift shops, a classic country hotel and a popular pub form a compact seaside village, just above the harbour. There's also historic St Tugal's Chapel, first mentioned in ecclesiastical literature dating back to 1251. The island is well signposted, complete with accurate walking distances, so it's easy to get around.

The beaches are clean and safe and a delight for children. Shell Beach, on the eastern side of the island, is named because of the millions of tiny shells washed up by the Gulf Stream. There is a well-stocked beach café there. Belvoir Bay, also on the east coast, is another popular beach, and is a real sun trap.

*For more information see [herm.com](http://herm.com)*

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# ...visit Sark between September & December.

## **How easy is it to get to Sark?**

The island of Sark is a world apart, but it is much closer than you might imagine.

Fly to Guernsey from London (Gatwick) or other selected UK regional airports, ([www.aurigny.com](http://www.aurigny.com)). From Guernsey airport or from wherever you are staying catch a taxi or bus to the Sark ferry quay in St Peter Port, the capital of Guernsey. The ferry takes approx 45 minutes and operates up to 4 or 5 times a day during the summer months ([www.sarkshipping.gg](http://www.sarkshipping.gg)) and a little less frequently during the quieter months. It is essential to check ferry sailing times and book in advance to avoid disappointment.

## **Why stay at Stocks Hotel?**

Stocks Hotel is a former farmhouse located in the heart of Sark and offers the perfect base from which to explore every aspect of the island. The hotel was established in 1895 and is Sark's oldest, continuously operating hotel. Stocks was sympathetically refurbished in 2010 and today it offers luxurious, 4-star accommodation with fabulous food and service. "Sark Welcome" breaks are recommended throughout the year and if you stay for two nights or longer, Sark sloe gin and Sark chocolates are included upon arrival. For the ultimate in private luxury some guests reserve the whole hotel as a 'house party' for friends and family to enjoy complete privacy combined with first class food & personal service. House parties are most popular during the winter months.

## **Is it possible to visit Sark for just one day?**

If you are staying in Guernsey, a day visit to Sark is a 'must do'. Catch the ferry and book a horse & carriage (+44 (0)1481 832001) to visit La Seigneurie gardens and La Coupée. Enjoy a leisurely poolside lunch at Stocks, followed by a stroll through the meadows and along the Avenue to browse the gift shops before returning to the harbour.

## **What can I do in Sark?**

The joy of Sark is that you can be as busy as you want to be. Although it measures just three miles by one-and-a-half, Sark has a myriad of leafy lanes, footpaths, and cliff walks, making it an unspoiled paradise for those who enjoy nature at its best. There are pebbly beaches, sheltered coves and caves by the score to explore. Walking is the most popular pastime. Most visitors come to relax, refresh, and unwind, and admire the spectacular views. For the more adventurous, you can reserve a coasteering or kayaking excursion ([www.adventuresark.gg](http://www.adventuresark.gg)) or a scenic boat trip ([www.sarkboattrips.com](http://www.sarkboattrips.com)).

## **How can I book?**

Without doubt the easiest and best value way to book is directly via the Stocks Hotel website ([www.stockshotel.com](http://www.stockshotel.com)) or by telephone (+44 (0)1481 832001) to check room availability and prices. Take advantage of our various exclusive special offers including free ferry travel if you stay for 4 nights or longer, and free nights for longer stays throughout the year, particularly between September and December.

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# SPECTACULAR LAKE GARDA

TRAVEL BLOGGER RUPERT DIGGINS TOOK SOME TIME OUT TO DISCOVER ITALY, INCLUDING ONE OF HIS FAVOURITE PLACES – LAKE GARDA

There is something truly magical about a holiday to one of the Italian lakes. Whether you are visiting to enjoy the scenic waters, incredible history, great food, the shopping or to discover the nearby cities, vineyards and mountains, you can simply choose either to relax or head out and explore.

The many pretty towns and villages, connected by ferries, private boats, or roads, invite visitors to mooch among their cobbled streets that are filled with stylish boutiques, restaurants, and cafes where people-watching is a must.

History lovers can revel in the many palaces, museums, and churches, while just a short journey will transport you to some of the country's most iconic cities including Venice, Milan, and Verona, not to mention the lesser-known but equally delightful, Bergamo, Brescia, and Vicenza.

Many of us are fans of the Italian Lakes, so earlier this year, I embarked on my own 'Little Italian Adventure' as I travelled from

Venice across to Bergamo. Enroute, I took time out to visit one of the most celebrated lakes of them all – Lake Garda.

## GETTING AROUND

Travelling in Italy, whether by car, bus, or train, is incredibly easy. In my personal experience, I found taking the train to be the best option. The primary train operator, Trenitalia, offers a pass that allows you to select the level of service you desire, the number of journeys you wish to take, and the type of passenger that you are, based on age. As for the trains themselves, they were almost always punctual, clean, comfortable, and budget-friendly.

The bus network is also worth considering, whether for local or long-distance travel.

As a little tip, whether it is on the train or the bus, make sure to have your tickets stamped upon boarding, as failure to do so, can result in a significant fine.

## LAKE GARDA

Lake Garda is the largest lake in

Italy and lies between the Alps and the Dolomites. I flew to Venice and after a couple of nights in one of the world's truly great cities, I hopped on a train and after a few nights in both Padua and Vicenza, I arrived at Desenzano del Garda in Lake Garda.

## DESENZANO DEL GARDA

Located at the Southern end of the Lake, the popular town of Desenzano Del Garda is a great base from which to explore the region. As I stepped off the train and exited the small station, I soon realised just how much the mountains slopes down to the lake below. I was staying at the highly recommended, by me, Hotel Benaco, a charming 3\* hotel offering a friendly welcome, stylish accommodation, and breakfast fit for a king!

As you walk down the hill and approach the town, you can swing by and visit the Castello (castle) for a little history and some of the best views of the town and lake. You could also check out the Roman Villa or Cathedral.



PREVIOUS PAGE: MALCESINE. ABOVE L-R: DESENZANO; LIMONE; BOUGAINVILLEA IN SIRMIONE. ALL IMAGES ©ISTOCKPHOTO

The town is home to plenty of shops ranging from designer boutiques to somewhat tacky souvenir shops. Beautifully appointed restaurants and trendy bars line the waterfront, while three beaches attract the sun worshippers. For a taste of local life, and produce, there is a weekly market every Tuesday morning.

As with many of Lake Garda's towns, the little waterfront is a buzz with companies offering personalised tourist boat trips, plus there are scheduled ferry services to the other towns.

## SIRMIONE

The small town of Sirmione, built on a long peninsula, is considered by many to be one of the most celebrated towns on Lake Garda. I took the ferry from Desenzano del Garda, taking just 20 minutes and costing 4.50 euros one way.

Upon disembarkation, I found myself at a waterside square, surrounded by restaurants offering al fresco dining. Head off in any direction and you are immediately jostling for position in the narrow streets and alleyways that are packed with shops, restaurants, and cafes. There are also a large number of glitzy ice cream parlours that seem to compete against one another for who can offer the most flavours. I have to say the 'free' samples offered to passers-by are a great idea – well, it worked on me, as I was soon tucking into a

giant tub of pistacchio and the local speciality, straciatella.

The signature landmark in Sirmione is the Scaligero Castle which was built in the mid-14th century by the Veronese Della Scala family, from whom it takes its name, the 'Rocca Scaligera'. The Church of Santa Maria Della Neve dating back to the 15th century is worth a visit, although I preferred the little Chapelle Ave Maria opposite.

There is a weekly market in Colombare di Sirmione on Monday mornings, while if it's relaxation you crave then head to Jamaica Beach. Made up of huge smooth rocks and behind a little sandy beach, this is a popular hang-out for locals and visitors alike.

Close to Jamaica Beach is the Roman Villa, Grotte De Cattulo which dates back to the 1st century BC.

## PESCHIERA DEL GARDA

To the East of Sirmione is one of the signature towns on the lake, Peschiera del Garda. The Venetian Fortress of Peschiera del Garda is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and when combined with the many bridges, Roman ruins and canals, you can understand why a visit here is a must.

## THE GARDA RIVIERA - LAZISE, BARDOLINO AND GARDA

Continuing anti-clockwise, on the south-eastern side of the lake is the Garda Riviera.

Here there are several places worth a stop including Lazise, a medieval town, complete with its own 13th century castle, pretty streets full of boutiques and a lovely waterfront piazza and harbour.

Located at the foot of the Morainic Hills, the peaceful resort of Bardolino is famous for its naturally delicate and fruity-flavoured olive oil. So much so, you can even take a tour of the Museo dell'Olio. As well as the oils there is also the famous Bardolino wine. This delicious light red wine is produced in the nearby traditional vineyards, and if you are lucky enough to visit in late September, there is the Festa dell'Uva e del Vino di Bardolino – the festival of grapes and Bardolino wine.

There is also the town of Garda. While only a small town, it is the proud home of one of the finest beaches in all of Lake Garda, the Mermaids' Bay in Punta San Vigilio. Friday mornings are market day, so be sure to sample some of the local cheese, olive oil and famous Bardolino wine.

## MALSECINE

Still on the East side of the lake, some 18kms from the Northern tip, is one of Lake Garda's most iconic locations, the town of Malcesine.

The port area offers visitors the chance to relax and indulge in an early morning coffee or a late afternoon cocktail, watching the many sailing boats that moor up.



Situated at the base of the Monte Baldo ridge the town is known for the cable car journey that takes tourists up to a height of 1760 metres. What is unique, is that at the midway point, the cable car rotates offering passengers a 360-degree view. Once at the top, there are not only amazing views, but also the start of some excellent mountain trails for hiking and cycling.

As you walk uphill and along the narrow lanes full of an assortment of enticing restaurants, shops and artists' studios, you will reach the Castello Scaligero, a medieval castle perched on the edge of the lake. Here you can tour, visit the museums, or just marvel at the fabulous views.

### RIVA DEL GARDA

At the very North of Lake Garda is the town of Riva del Garda. Cobble old streets sit alongside pretty parks and walkways while in the main square, you will find the Torre Apponale Clock Tower. Be sure to visit the Fortress or Rocca, which was originally built in the 12th century, and is today home to the Alto Garda Museum which provides areas dedicated to art, archaeology and World War Two.

The most famous beach in Riva del Garda is Spiaggia dei Sabbioni, while the beaches of Torbole and Spiaggia dei Pini are popular for those who love windsurfing and kitesurfing. For those looking to go hiking or to tackle some

challenging mountain biking trails, then head to Monte Brione. The area is great for photography and history as it is home to fortifications that were part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire.

### LIMONE SUL GARDA

As you start the journey down the West coast, a lovely stop is at the little town of Limone sul Garda, which since the 15th century has been known for its lemon production. This history is showcased at the Limonaia del Castel where you can learn about the cultivation of lemons, as well as tour the terraces which overlook the harbour below. There is, of course, the chance to sample the produce!

### TIGNALE

South of Limone Sul Garda is the town of Tignale, famous for its Truffle Festival which is celebrated in late September and early October. Restaurants offer a wide selection of menus that include truffles, while there is the opportunity to take part in tastings and even learn how to hunt for truffles.

### THE GARDONE RIVIERA

On the south-western side of the lake is the Gardone Riviera, part of the Riviera Bresciana which is renowned for its Art Nouveau and Art Deco Style. None more so is this the case than at 'Il Vittoriale', the former home of the poet

and Italian nationalist Gabriele D'Annunzio.

The Hruska Botanical Gardens or the Heller Gardens, are another signature landmark on the Gardone Riviera. Here visitors can enjoy not only an incredible array of plants but also works of art from 20th-century artists such as Roy Liechtenstein and a personal favourite of mine, the wacky creations of Keith Haring.

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**IF YOU ARE PLANNING A LITTLE ITALIAN ADVENTURE, THEN YOU MUST CONSIDER LAKE GARDA – IT WAS ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF MY TRIP, AND NOT JUST FOR THAT ICE CREAM IN SIRMIONE.**

The Italian Lakes are easily reached from a number of Italian airports, including Venice (where Rupert flew to), Verona, and Milan, all of which can be reached via connections at London Gatwick. Aurigny has daily flights to London Gatwick throughout the year.

For more information contact the Lake Garda Tourist Office, Italian Tourist Board or visit your local travel agent.

# LONDON CALLING

Think of global cities and what springs to mind? Paris? Renowned for outstanding cuisine. Rome? Arguably unrivalled in terms of history. New York? One of the great fashion capitals. London, however, has it all (and more), with the added benefit that it's right on our doorstep and easily accessible from Guernsey with Aurigny's direct flights to London Gatwick. Astrid Mitchison went exploring...

Samuel Johnson famously said, '*When a man is tired of London, he is tired of life*', and the quote is as relevant today as it was in the 1700s, with our capital offering something for everyone, every day.

Of note for this summer is the **BBC Earth Experience** (The Daikin Centre, Earl's Court), an immersive journey through the natural world which is narrated by Sir David Attenborough and aimed at all ages. Visitors have the opportunity to explore the diversity of our seven continents, with breath-taking footage from Seven Worlds, One Planet projected onto multiple, multi-angle screens.

Also recommended is a visit to **Shakespeare's Globe** (Bankside) where culture vultures can enjoy performances from as little as £5 per ticket at the 1,570 capacity open-air theatre, a reconstruction of Shakespeare's original theatre and the only building with a thatched roof in London. It's worth allowing time to view the exhibition to discover the world of The Bard, whose plays have been translated into every major language and are performed more often than those of any other playwright.

Finally, consider a visit to **Coal Drops Yard**. This historic space, near King's Cross, has undergone a regeneration in recent years and is a vibrant hub of independent shops, craft stalls, exciting eateries and buzzing bars set against a backdrop of cobbled streets,

Victorian brick arches and running alongside Regent's Canal. Stroll through the traffic-free open spaces or perch at a repurposed barrel at **The Drop Wine Bar** and fritter away the hours people watching, while sipping a glass from the impressive wine list, and dining on one of the signature baps.

The world's eyes have perhaps been on our great city more recently, with the passing of Queen Elizabeth II and the subsequent coronation of King Charles III. London has, without doubt, risen to the occasion, as crowds have witnessed the pageantry which we Brits do best. There really is no better time to visit.

## MAKE IT...

### CHILD-FRIENDLY...

**London Zoo** attracts approximately one million visitors each year and is located in one of London's eight Royal Parks, The Regent's Park (fun fact for children – this park is referenced in 101 Dalmatians and Cruella). From apes to zebras and big cats, London's largest living rainforest and England's biggest penguin pool, the Zoo is considered to be a centre of conservation excellence. Entry is free for children aged under 3.

Dine at **The Mayfair Chippy** (14, North Audley Street) where children can enjoy two courses plus a juice or milk drink for under a tenner. The classically decorated diner, complete with subway tiles and chequerboard flooring, serves excellent food which adults can enjoy, too, without having to compromise. Sip a Cornish cider or London beer over coronation chicken fritters to start, before indulging in comfort food classics where the quality ingredients shine (gluten free options are available). Queues can be lengthy at busy times thanks to the popularity of this central venue so booking is recommended.

**Top tip:** download the **Toilets4London app**, which effortlessly locates the nearest public conveniences including details of those with baby changing facilities and disabled access.

IMAGE TOP: A VIEW THROUGH THE ART, SCIENCE AND SOCIETY DISPLAY AT THE NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY, LONDON. PHOTOGRAPH ©GARETH GARDNER FOR NISSEN RICHARDS STUDIO.  
LEFT: BHANU THE ASIATIC LION ©LONDON ZOO.  
RIGHT: THE MAYFAIR CHIPPY. ©THOMAS ALEXANDER.





THE CONTEMPORARY COLLECTION IN THE WESTON WING AT THE NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY, LONDON. PHOTOGRAPH ©GARETH GARDNER FOR NISSEN RICHARDS STUDIO.

## ROMANTIC...

Date night= steak night. Head to **Hawksmoor** ([thehawksmoor.com](http://thehawksmoor.com)), which boasts seven restaurants across the city and holds B Corporation certification. Gender neutral glamour best describes the art deco interior and welcoming staff add to the ambience of relaxed elegance. Start with one of the house cocktails – the sour cherry negroni and Shaky Pete's ginger brew are popular choices. It would be remiss of me not to recommend the spice roasted carrots with Guernsey yoghurt starter, while self-respecting carnivores will be in their element when it comes to the main course with 'dictionary thick' steaks carved from British beef sourced from small farms on offer. The desserts are recognised favourites, with sticky toffee pudding being the bestseller. No room for pud? Take away one of the restaurant's boxes of chocolates inspired by Rolos, saving your last one for your date.

**Top tip:** Couples that laugh together, stay together so share a giggle at one of London's popular comedy shows. Tickets for **The Top Secret Comedy Club** ([topsecretcomedyclub.co.uk](http://topsecretcomedyclub.co.uk)) are laughably cheap, starting at just £1.

## LUXE...

A stay at **The Goring** (15, Beeston Place) is a truly special experience. The epitome of English elegance and the only five-star London hotel to remain owned and run by the family which built it, The Goring has hosted every British monarch and Prime Minister since its opening in 1910. Famously the hotel which the then Catherine Middleton chose to stay in as her last night as a single woman before her wedding to Prince William, it's the closest hotel to Buckingham Palace and is also a convenient three minute walk from Victoria train station, ideally located for connections to Gatwick Airport. The hotel retains an intimate feel, with fewer than 70 sumptuous suites

and rooms, individually styled by English designers and a large private garden offering an oasis of calm in the city. Be sure to visit the Linley-designed The Dining Room, which holds a Michelin Star, and order the classic Eggs Drumkilbo which was a favourite of the Queen Mother.

For a memorable dining experience, visit **The River Restaurant by Gordon Ramsay** at The Savoy Hotel (the Strand). Located in the heart of the iconic hotel and offering panoramic views of the River Thames, this new restaurant has the extensive wine list and exceptional service you'd expect from the multi-Michelin starred chef, while also veering on the right side of informality. British oysters, caviar and ceviche are served at the centrepiece raw bar, or mull over the a la carte menu which showcases the best seafood in dishes such as tandoori monkfish curry, fish pie with crispy egg and Dover Sole a la Grenobloise.



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## A GIRLS' TRIP...

Head down to Brixton's female-founded, **The Laundry** (374, Coldharbour Lane) for refreshing cucumber margaritas on the fairy-light strewn terrace and light sharing plates which are perfect for a girls' catch up. The beef and chilli meatballs and burrata are both standouts. There's no corkage charge on Tuesdays so BYOB to your heart's content!

Indulge in some pampering at one of London's brilliant nail bars. **London Grace** has nine London locations and is the perfect choice for eco-conscious (we're talking waterless treatments and no-nasties polishes, along with other initiatives) pampering in a social setting, ideal if you want a mocha with your mani or a prosecco with your pedi. Their 'Lacquer & Liquor' concept offers 2-for-1 cocktails with any treatment from 5pm to 6pm or if you're heading to London with a group, the Grace Space party area can

be booked. For premium polishes with a backdrop of Instagrammable interiors, try **Townhouse**, with 14 salons across the capital. Choose shades with London-inspired names (vegan options are available) like Cheyne Walk and Savile Row from an interactive iPad menu, or opt for the stylish nail art for which Townhouse is renowned, and settle back as expert technicians get to work, leaving you polished to perfection!

**Top tip:** Escape the hustle and bustle of the well-known shopping centres and instead, have fun browsing the stalls for unique finds and haggling for a bargain in London's markets. **Camden, Old Spitalfields** and **Portobello Road markets** are amongst the oldest and best known and are open most days.

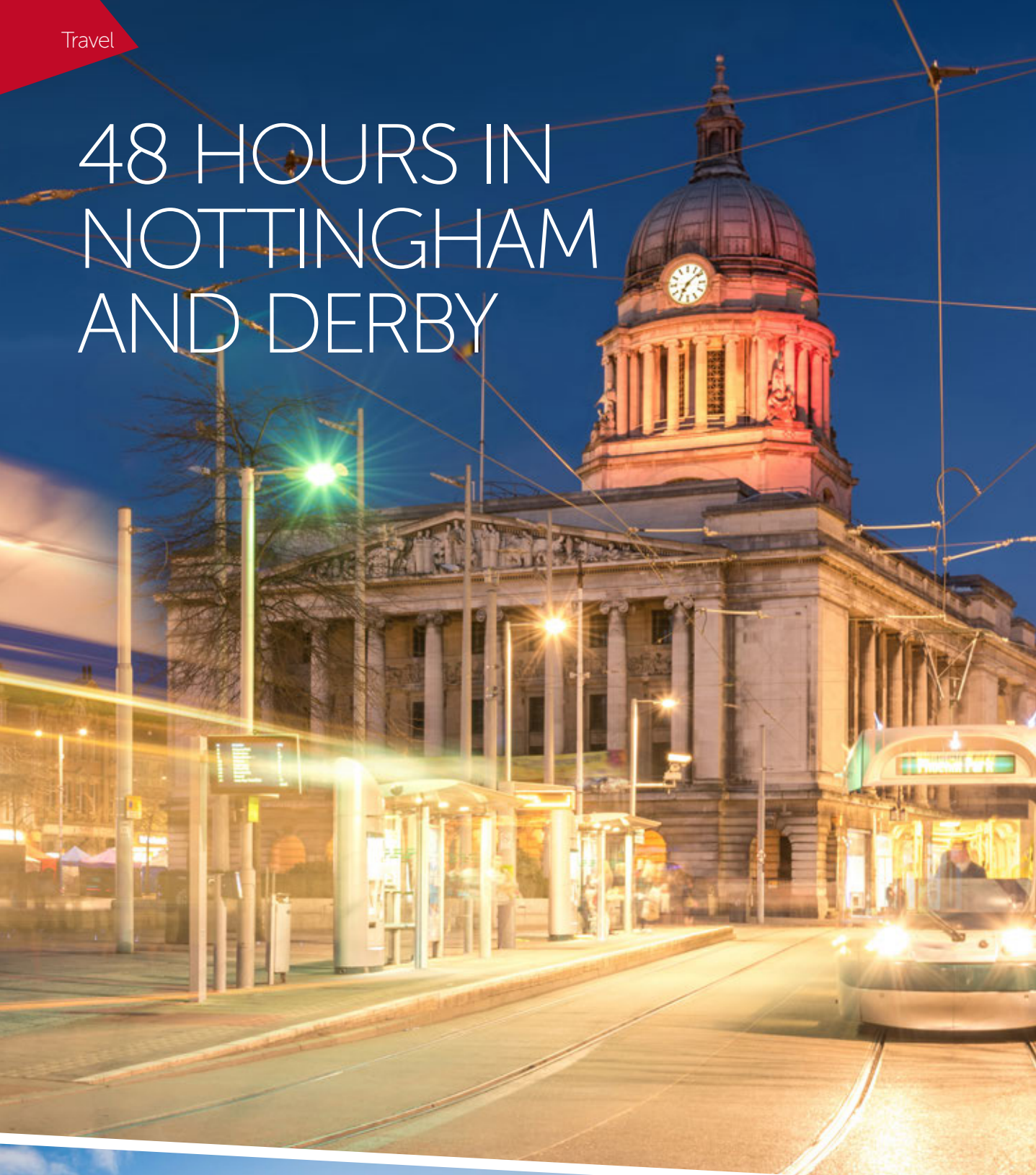
## FREE...

City breaks can be perceived as expensive but perhaps surprisingly,

the Big Smoke has plenty to offer for those on a budget. Many of London's world-class museums can be visited free of charge (please donate if you can), including the Natural History Museum, Victoria & Albert Museum, Science Museum, Tate Modern, Imperial War Museum and the British Museum. Head to the **National Portrait Gallery**, recently re-opened following the most extensive transformation of its building since 1896. The Gallery tells the story of Britain through the largest collection of portraits in the world, from historical figures including Anne Boleyn and Oscar Wilde, to global icons like The Beatles & Bowie.

**Top tip:** download the **English Heritage Blue Plaques app** and walk in the footsteps of London's famous inhabitants of years gone by.

# 48 HOURS IN NOTTINGHAM AND DERBY





LEFT: NOTTINGHAM COUNCIL HOUSE AND TRAM. ABOVE: BOAR'S HEAD MILLS, DERBY.  
BELOW LEFT: SOUTHWELL MISTER, NOTTINGHAM. BELOW FAR LEFT: DERBY ARENA.  
BELOW RIGHT: STANAGE EDGE, PEAK DISTRICT; NOTTINGHAM CASTLE. ALL IMAGES ©ISTOCKPHOTO.

## Jessica Guiney takes a whistle-stop tour of two of the East Midlands' liveliest cities.

Looking for a quick and easy weekend getaway? Why not go to the heart of England and visit Derby and Nottingham! Whether you're a history buff who wants to see the world's first factory in Derby, a culture enthusiast looking to walk in the footsteps of Robin Hood, or a nature-lover aching to explore the Peak District, there's something for everyone in East Midlands' two most lively cities.

Both Derby and Nottingham are compact, meaning visitors without a car can get around quickly on foot or by public transportation; however, drivers will also love the central location. Those looking for even more of an incentive to visit Derby and Nottingham can enter En Voyage's competition (see page 69) to win a day ticket for Chatsworth House & Gardens along with accommodation in Derby, plus flights from Guernsey.

**Getting there:** East Midlands Airport is an approximately 20-minute drive to either city and connects you from over 80 destinations worldwide.

### DAY ONE: DERBY

Shopaholics pursuing the best deal won't have to search too far at East Midland's McArthur Glen Designer Outlet, conveniently located just off the M1 and A38 motorways. After you've shopped 'til you've dropped, why not slow things down and take in the sights of the River Derwent on a Derby Riverboat tour? Finish it

all off with a bite to eat at the 2022 Restaurant of the Year - The Dining Room 121.

Those looking to leave the hustle and bustle of the city can escape to The Peak District. Known for its vast size and rolling hills, there are charming villages scattered throughout. Whether you enjoy walking, climbing, cycling, mountain biking, caving, angling, nature-watching, photography, gliding, visiting historic houses, country pubs and tearooms, there is truly something for everyone to enjoy. Where to stay: Leonardo Hotel Derby, Saint Alkmund's Way, Derby.

### DAY TWO: NOTTINGHAM

Historians, take your pick, because this city is rich in heritage dating back to the 1200s. Start the day in the Castle Quarter and visit the museum and art gallery in Nottingham Castle. Get a selfie with the statue of Robin Hood, walk the wooded grounds and then enjoy a pint in some of England's oldest pubs, the famous Ye Olde Salutation Inn and the Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem.

Walk over to visit the once-home of the infamous Sheriff of Nottingham, the National Justice Museum and learn about its haunted past. The next stop is the Lace Market, home to speciality arts and crafts stores. Finish it all with a bite to eat in Mesa, or any of the numerous restaurants in Nottingham's Creative Quarter, Hockley, packed with colourful street art, trendy shops, restaurants and pubs.

## FAMOUS IN DERBY AND NOTTINGHAM

Derbyshire girl Florence Nightingale turns 200 this year.

Derby-based game studio Core Design created Lara Croft: Tomb Raider. You can even visit the street named Lara Croft Way.

Those who love a bit of brown sauce can thank Nottingham's Frederick Gibson Garton for creating HP Sauce.





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# FAMILY FUN

ABOVE LEFT: ALTON TOWERS.  
ABOVE: GULLIVER'S KINGDOM.  
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There are a plethora of theme parks easily reached from East Midlands Airport. So, pack your bags, grab the kids and enjoy a day (or more) out.

## DRAYTON MANOR INCLUDING THOMAS LAND

**Distance from airport:** around 25 miles.

### On-site accommodation:

There are modern and stylish standard rooms or splash out and enjoy a themed room. Choose from Viking or Thomas the Tank Engine themed rooms.

**Ideal for:** The whole family. A variety of tickets are available from day tickets, flexible tickets, short breaks (including accommodation) or an annual pass. Guests with disabilities can claim an essential companion ticket.

**Best rides:** With more than 50 rides and a couple of lands to discover (Vikings and Thomas) as well as the main park, there is so much to choose from. New for 2023 is Thomas and Percy's Submarine Splash. Or take the whole family on Jormungandr, where they'll experience an epic voyage through Vikings on a rollercoaster.

*Website: [draytonmanor.co.uk](http://draytonmanor.co.uk)*

## TWINLAKES PARK

**Distance from airport:** around 47 miles.

### On-site accommodation:

Glamping in luxury pods that can sleep up to six people.

**Ideal for:** The whole family (there is even a special grandparents' weekend 30 September – 1 October, where they get in for £5). As well as the park there is a huge indoor play area plus animal encounters.

**Best rides:** Traditional family rides such as log flumes, bumper boats and Rio Grande train.

*Website: [twinlakespark.co.uk](http://twinlakespark.co.uk)*

## ALTON TOWERS

**Distance from airport:** 37 miles.

### On-site accommodation:

A variety of accommodations from stargazing pods to woodland lodges and luxury treehouses, plus a number of hotels, including CBeebies Land Hotel for the little ones.

**Ideal for:** All the family. Plenty to do including a waterpark, crazy golf and a spa, as well as some of the best rides in the country. There is also a rainy day guarantee (see website for T&Cs).

**Best rides:** So many it's hard to pick one, but why not visit the UK's first Rollercoaster Restaurant which is set below a vast track, where you can watch as orders tackle gravity defying loop-the-loops before dropping to the table.

*Website: [alton Towers.com](http://alton Towers.com)*

## JUMPIN FUN

**Distance from airport:** around 13 miles.

**On-site accommodation:** No, but in Derby city centre, so plenty nearby.

**Ideal for:** Families, including toddlers, although the minimum age to bounce in the main arena during general sessions is 5 without adult supervision.

**Best rides:** Inflatables rather than rides, Jumpin Fun is a dedicated 16,000sqft playground with wall-to-wall fun and entertainment.

*Website: [jumpinfun.co.uk/derby](http://jumpinfun.co.uk/derby)*

## GULLIVER'S KINGDOM

**Distance from airport:** around 35 miles.

**On-site accommodation:** Yes, plus within a short distance of the park, including a fully-sheltered, quirky camping area located right next to the theme park. Full details of accommodation offerings on website.

**Ideal for:** All the family.

**Best rides:** Plenty of adrenaline-fuelled adventures all with spectacular views thanks to its impressive hillside setting. Climb high above the Crows Nest Quest or take a ride on the log flume, 300ft above Derwent Valley.

*Website: [gulliverskingdomresort.co.uk](http://gulliverskingdomresort.co.uk)*



# HEART OF THE COUNTRY

WITH REGULAR FLIGHTS TO EAST MIDLANDS AIRPORT, WHY NOT VISIT AND DISCOVER THE AREA? AMANDA EULENKAMP TAKES A LOOK AT WHAT THE PEAK DISTRICT HAS TO OFFER.

The Peak District is home to Britain's first National Park, covering 555 square miles and consisting of two main areas – the Dark Peak (gritstone), with rugged, heather-clad moorland and soaring stone edges, and the White Peak (limestone), a gentler landscape of lush pastures, dales and winding river valleys.

Both areas are ideal for walking, cycling and other outdoor activities, including horse riding, climbing, caving, and water sports, for people of all ages and abilities. There are lots of safe, traffic-free cycling trails on former railway lines.

## KEY BEAUTY SPOTS

### Mam Tor (The Shivering Mountain)

Mam Tor, meaning 'Mother Hill', is a 517-metre-high hill near Castleton in the High Peak area of Derbyshire and is one of the most famous walks in the Peak District. From the Tor you can enjoy fantastic views of the limestone parts of the National Park, such as the dry gorge of Winnats Pass (take your camera).

It is the main link between the eastern end of Rushup Edge and the western end of the Great Ridge, making this one of the most-loved

ridge walks in the Peak District National Park. On a clear day you can even see Manchester! Being located near Castleton, Mam Tor has a number of caverns just below it, including: Treak Cliff Cavern, Blue John Cavern, Speedwell Cavern and Peak Cavern.

At Speedwell Cavern, you can take a boat ride through the workings of a 200-year-old lead mine, culminating in a magnificent cathedral-like cavern containing the awe-inspiring Bottomless Pit, a huge subterranean lake.

### Kinder Scout

Kinder Scout is the highest point in the Peak District, boasting unforgettable views and a waterfall. Accessible from the villages of Edale (where there's a well-linked train station) and Hayfield in the High Peak, walks around Kinder offer a journey through many different landscapes, illustrating the diversity of the Peak District.

Start your walk in Edale and you can scramble up the rocky yet rewarding Grindsbrook Clough route, or climb to the top via the picturesque, stepped path of Jacob's Ladder, crossing an old packhorse bridge. From

Hayfield head up William Clough, working your way to Sandy Heys and Kinder Downfall – the tallest waterfall in the National Park.

Points of interest include a serene Mermaid's Pool and interesting rock formations such as Pym's Chair and the Boxing Gloves.

### Ladybower Reservoir

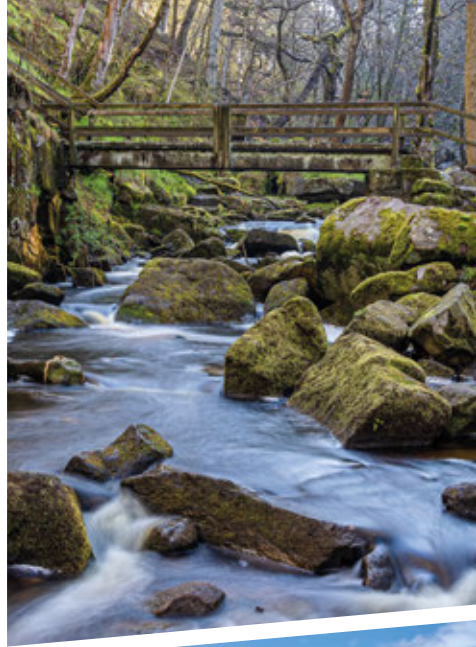
The reservoir is a large Y-shaped reservoir in the Upper Derwent Valley. Built between 1935 and 1943, it was officially opened by King George VI in 1945. During the 1990s, the wall of the dam was raised and strengthened to reduce the risk of 'over-topping' in a major flood.

There are many circular walking and cycle routes nearby, a picnic site, and dogs are accepted. Parking available with charge.

### The Roaches

Suitable for children, a circular, 5.5km walk is ideal for all the family. There are also plenty of boulders for kids who love to climb but the terrain can be rocky and uneven, so wear appropriate footwear.

*Tip: As this is a Peak District tourist hot spot, aim to arrive by 9am to park (parking in designated areas only).*



ABOVE LEFT: BAMFORD EDGE. ABOVE: MILLENNIUM WALKWAY, TORRS GORGE.  
RIGHT TOP TO BOTTOM: PADLEY GORGE; LADYBOWER RESEVOIR; CASTLETON;  
DOVEDALE. ALL IMAGES ©ISTOCKPHOTO



## Dovedale

Known for the River Dove and its impressive limestone ravines, the most iconic part of a trip to Dovedale must be the picturesque steppingstones. This is another popular tourist spot, so head there early. *Tip: Take cash for the car park and the toilets.*

## HISTORIC HOMES

There is a wealth of historic houses in the area, including Chatsworth and Haddon Hall.

Both have been made famous in recent times as have been featured in films including *Pride and Prejudice*, *The Other Boleyn Girl*, *Jane Eyre*, and *Elizabeth*.

But their history goes back much further.

**Haddon Hall** is one of England's best-kept medieval homes. It houses a remarkable tapestry collection; an early English furniture collection reputed to be the best of its kind in England; and stunning Elizabethan walled gardens, recently redesigned by Arne Maynard.

See [haddonhall.co.uk](http://haddonhall.co.uk) for information about the property, its restaurant, parking, plus how to purchase tickets.

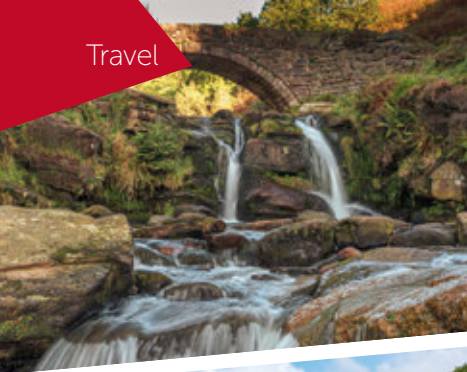
**Chatsworth** is the ancestral home of the Dukes of Devonshire. It comprises a Grade I listed house and stables, a 105-acre garden, a 1,822-acre park, a farmyard and adventure playground, and one of Europe's most significant private art collections. There are more than 25 rooms in the stately home to explore, including the Painted Hall, State Rooms, and Sculpture Gallery. Full information can be found at [chatsworth.org](http://chatsworth.org)

There are also several National Trust properties in the area, including Hardwick Hall, Sudbury Hall, Calke Abbey, Kedleston Hall, and Lyme Park. The National Trust website has full information about each one [nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/peak-district-derbyshire/houses-buildings](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/peak-district-derbyshire/houses-buildings)

## QUINTESENTIALLY ENGLISH VILLAGES

Villages such as Ashford in the Water, Hartington, Eyam, and Edensor are pretty, picturesque places worth exploring. During the summer many villages play host to the ancient art of Well Dressings, which are works of art created by hand using natural materials such as petals and seeds by groups of dedicated volunteers.





TOP: THREE SHIRE HEADS WATERFALL AND PACKHORSE STONE BRIDGE;  
ABOVE: CHATSWORTH ESTATE BRIDGE.  
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Mystery surrounds the exact source of this ancient tradition, but it is believed to have been brought to the area by the Romans or the Celts, to give thanks for the county's freshwater springs.

Well Dressing is unique to the Peak District and Derbyshire area, and more than 80 towns and villages proudly display their floral masterpieces next to wells and water features throughout the spring and summer.

Check out [visitpeakdistrict.com/events/category/well-dressings](https://visitpeakdistrict.com/events/category/well-dressings) for a list of what's on where.

**Derwent Valley Mills** World Heritage Site is the birthplace of the modern factory.

Each mill has its own story to tell, with stories of pioneering engineers and entrepreneurs who set off a chain of events that changed how we live and work forever. Starting at Matlock in the North, with Cromford Mills ending in the heart of Derby with arguably the world's first factory - Derby's Silk Mill which is home to the brand new Museum of Making.

[derwentvalleymills.org](https://derwentvalleymills.org) has all the information on where to go and what to see.

*Thanks to [visitpeakdistrict.com](https://visitpeakdistrict.com) for their help in compiling this article and the use of images.*



## DO YOU KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A BAKEWELL TART AND A BAKEWELL PUDDING?

You may instantly recognise the Bakewell Tart with its smooth, white, fondant icing and glace cherry on top. But did you know that the tart was developed as a variant of the pudding in the 20th century?

The Bakewell Pudding can trace its origins back to the 1800s, when a Mrs Wilson (who lived in the building where the Old Original Bakewell Pudding Shop is now housed) became aware of a new pudding creation that had been made by accident at a local inn, then called The White Horse. The pudding was the result of a misunderstanding between the inn's mistress, Mrs Greaves, and her cook; visiting noblemen had ordered a strawberry tart, but instead of stirring the egg mixture into the pastry, the cook spread it on top of a layer of jam.

The result was so successful that Mrs Wilson recognised the possibility of producing the puddings to sell and acquired the original recipe in order to commence a business of her own.

The Bakewell Pudding comprises a buttery puff pastry case, topped with a layer of seedless strawberry jam and finished with a soft set custard

of eggs, sugar and almonds. The Tart, on the other hand, is made from sweet shortcrust pastry, which is then layered with seedless strawberry jam and finished with a pale, fluffy frangipane sponge filling of eggs, almonds and sugar.

*Thanks to the Old Original Bakewell Pudding Shop for sharing the history and images. If you're in the area, then drop in and try one. Or you can order them online from [bakewellpuddingshop.co.uk](https://bakewellpuddingshop.co.uk).*





# COMPETITION TIME

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5. Travel must be booked and completed before the expiry of the validity date and may be subject to certain date and time exclusions.

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5. Blackout Dates – over Download Festival June 2024

### \*\*\* CHATSWORTH HOUSE T&Cs

1. Ticket is valid during the open season (check website for details) until 27 October 2024, excluding 30 Oct 2023 – 7 January 2024

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## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS CONFIRMED FOR CONFERENCE



Two important figures in sustainable finance have been confirmed as keynote speakers for this year's Sustainable Finance Week in Guernsey.

Ben Goldsmith and Dr Gemma Cranston will address the conference on Wednesday 20 and Thursday 21 September respectively.

'We are thrilled to have two incredibly well-respected figures as keynote speakers at this year's event. Gemma and Ben are leaders in their fields, both working to develop climate and nature positive pathways, and will bring fascinating insights to the conference,' said Stephanie Glover, head of sustainability at Guernsey Finance.

'Sustainable Finance Week offers a wonderful opportunity for anyone working in the finance sector to come and meet and learn from international experts in sustainable finance and see first-hand why Guernsey is a global leader in sustainable finance.'

Mr Goldsmith is the chief executive officer of London-listed investment trust Menhaden Resource Efficiency, which backs businesses at the forefront of energy and resource efficiency. He had co-founded Whet Asset Management, one of Europe's leading sustainability-focused fund management businesses.

He also chairs the UK Conservative Environment Network, the Conservation Collective and is a trustee of UK climate foundation the Children's Investment Fund Foundation.

He was a non-executive director of the UK's Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs from 2018 to last year.

Dr Cranston is executive director of Pollination, a specialist climate change investment and advisory firm, accelerating the transition to a net zero, nature positive future.

She has a strong track record in an international environment of leading the development and deployment of company engagements to identify strategic and commercially-relevant approaches to protect and restore nature.

She was previously director of business and nature at the University of Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership where she spearheaded their thought-leadership on what business leadership looks like in the face of the nature crisis.

Registration for Guernsey Finance Sustainable Finance Week, in association with media partner, the Financial Times, is now open at [weareguernsey.com](http://weareguernsey.com).

## TISE PARTNERS SHIELDPAY FOR NEW PLATFORM

The International Stock Exchange has partnered with Shieldpay, a market leader in high-value B2B payments, for its new private market platform.

The platform aims to offer a viable alternative to traditional market infrastructure providers, offering trading, settlement and registry management services.

'Our collaboration with Shieldpay represents a significant milestone in our delivery of TISE Private Markets. Together, we will transform the private market landscape, empowering SMEs and their investors with a more efficient and secure platform for trading and settlement. We're excited to see our partnership evolve and expand its reach, empowering businesses and investors across borders,' said Cees Vermaas, CEO of TISE.



## APPLEBY ACHIEVES PLANET MARK CERTIFICATION

Appleby has achieved Planet Mark Business Certification, underlining the Group's commitment to environmental sustainability and responsible business practices.

The Planet Mark Business Certification is a recognised symbol of sustainability progress. It demonstrates an organisation's commitment to measuring and reducing their carbon emissions, ultimately contributing to Appleby's environmental, social and governance capability.

Appleby Group managing partner Malcolm Moller said: 'We are delighted to have obtained the Planet Mark Business Certification, which represents a

significant milestone in our sustainability journey. At Appleby, we recognise the importance of integrating sustainability into our business practices and, by achieving this certification, we have demonstrated our dedication to implementing sustainable initiatives and reducing our environmental impact in alignment with international standards.'



## SIR TREVOR MCDONALD OBE CONFIRMED AS SPEAKER

Broadcasting legend Sir Trevor McDonald has confirmed his appearance at Guernsey Finance's Private Wealth Forum in November.

Sir Trevor, who has worked for the BBC, ITN and Channel Four News, will take part in a fireside chat with Guernsey Finance chief executive Rupert Pleasant at the forum, which is the flagship event for Guernsey's Private Wealth sector.

'Like a lot of people, I grew up watching Sir Trevor present the news every night, so to have him at our event is a huge honour,' said Mr Pleasant. 'Sir Trevor has interviewed global statesmen such as Nelson Mandela and Bill Clinton, so to have the opportunity to interview him is something that I am really looking forward to.'

Titled Changing Families in a Changing World, this year's forum will explore the nature of change and explore changing cultural dynamics, examine the non-nuclear

family, and discuss the importance of the next generation. It will take place in a new venue, London's Leadenhall building on 2 November and will be of interest to private client advisors, up-and-coming advisors, family office employees, and private client services lawyers.

The first panel will focus on increased mobility and generational handover, and the second will discuss changing market trends and their impact.

Registration will open soon, and additional speaker announcements will follow in due course.



## TWO SAFFERY CHAMPNESS PROFESSIONALS RECOGNISED BY STEP GUERNSEY

Two Saffery Champness professionals have been recognised for their achievements by STEP Guernsey.

Associate director, Matthew Gilligan, has been appointed as deputy chair of the STEP committee and senior trust officer, Lily Simmons, was named as the Highest Scoring Individual in Guernsey for the STEP Professional Postgraduate Diploma in Private Wealth Advice.

Mr Gilligan, who also holds the position of student liaison officer for STEP Guernsey, has been involved

with the committee for 14 years. In his role as deputy chair, he will have multiple responsibilities in his remit, including overseeing the development of the industry's next generation.



## PLATINUM COMPLIANCE INTEGRATES WITH NEWGATE COMPLIANCE

Guernsey compliance company Platinum Compliance, which is part of Ocorian, is integrating with UK firm Newgate Compliance.

Platinum Compliance was acquired by Ocorian in 2021, the year after the group bought the London-based Newgate Compliance. It provides compliance consultancy services and a proprietary regulatory software solution, Gateway.

## 'ONE-OF-A-KIND' CHATGPT COURSES OFFERED FOR STARTUPS

Building a start-up business from scratch to launch with the use of AI tools is the feature of a new course being offered to entrepreneurs via the Digital Greenhouse.

The start-up lab is working with Duforest AI to offer the 'one of a kind' day-long course in ChatGPT. It will teach prompt design and how to get the most from AI tools. No previous business experience or pre-research market is needed.

'Innovation is fuelled by knowledge and access to the right tools. By partnering with Digital Greenhouse, we aim to deliver a unique course where AI and entrepreneurship intersect, empowering Guernsey's next generation of businesses,' said Simon Kirkpatrick, founder of Duforest AI and an entrepreneur himself.

Digital Greenhouse director Lucy Ann Kirby added: 'This is such an exciting course for Guernsey and an amazing opportunity to work with leaders Duforest AI. Our ambition is to fuel entrepreneurship and innovation in the island and this programme gives people the tools and skills to be at the forefront of venture-building.'

The course costs £399 and two dates are scheduled – Saturday 23 September or Saturday 21 October. Completion of the course enables access to the ChatGPT 'The Shark Tank' event taking place on 4 November, where participants will continue to use AI tools to build decks and then pitch to the panel of expert judges. Bookings can be made at [www.digitalgreenhouse.gg/ChatGPT](http://www.digitalgreenhouse.gg/ChatGPT)

'The integration of Platinum Compliance into Newgate Compliance is a great opportunity for us to offer an increased suite of solutions to clients delivered by experienced compliance professionals, many of whom are ex-regulators, to our existing clients, said Aron Brown, Ocorian's global head of regulatory and compliance. Cilla Torode remains the Guernsey contact for local clients.



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# UNLOCKING THE POWER OF HYBRID CLOUD

JASON CONOLLY - CHIEF COMMERCIAL OFFICER, CLARITY

Cloud computing has revolutionised the business landscape, offering adaptable and scalable solutions to meet ever-evolving needs.

While the public cloud (e.g., Azure, AWS) has been widely successful due to its flexibility and access to cutting-edge technologies, some businesses are transitioning back to private clouds. The reason behind this shift is the private cloud's ability to provide better performance, cost-effectiveness, local data jurisdiction, and cost predictability. However, the hybrid cloud approach offers a unique set of advantages that drive business growth, enhance agility, and ensure optimal cost-efficiency. In this article, we will explore the benefits of adopting a hybrid cloud strategy over private or public cloud solutions.

## FLEXIBILITY AND SCALABILITY

The standout benefit of the hybrid cloud is its unmatched flexibility and scalability. By combining private and public cloud resources, organisations can allocate workloads according to their specific needs. This seamless movement of applications and data between on-premises infrastructure and public cloud platforms allows for dynamic scalability and improved resource utilisation. Businesses can leverage locally provided private clouds for cost-effective access to core business applications, while utilising the flexibility of public clouds to adapt quickly to fluctuating demands, scale up or down as needed, and avoid resource over-provisioning or underutilisation.

## ENHANCED SECURITY AND COMPLIANCE

While public clouds have made significant strides in security, certain industries and organisations, like the local finance industry, must comply with strict regulatory, privacy, or data jurisdiction requirements. For them, a hybrid cloud approach maintains better control over sensitive data. By using a private cloud for critical operations and sensitive information, businesses can ensure compliance with industry regulations, client requirements, and internal policies. Meanwhile, non-sensitive services like email or collaboration can still benefit from the agility and cost-effectiveness of the public cloud. Hybrid cloud solutions provide the best of both worlds, allowing organisations to strike a balance between security and flexibility.

## OPTIMAL COST EFFICIENCY

Cost efficiency is a top priority for businesses of all sizes. Hybrid cloud models enable organisations to place workloads in the most cost-effective location, leveraging the cost advantages of private cloud

platforms with the flexibility of public cloud for those with fluctuating demands. By utilising pay-as-you-go pricing and the ability to scale resources up or down, businesses can optimise their infrastructure costs. Simultaneously, critical workloads and sensitive data can be hosted on a private cloud, reducing the risk of data breaches and potential costly downtime.

## DISASTER RECOVERY AND BUSINESS CONTINUITY

Maintaining seamless business operations in the face of unforeseen events is crucial. Hybrid cloud solutions provide robust disaster recovery and business continuity capabilities. By replicating critical applications and data to both private and public clouds, businesses can ensure high availability and data redundancy. In case of a failure or outage in one cloud environment, workloads can be quickly shifted to the other environment, minimising downtime and ensuring business continuity.

## INCREASED AGILITY AND INNOVATION

The hybrid cloud model empowers businesses to be more agile and innovative. Access to the public cloud's vast array of services, including artificial intelligence, machine learning, and big data analytics, enables faster experimentation, development, and deployment of new applications and services. The hybrid cloud's seamless integration with existing on-premise infrastructure and legacy systems further facilitates innovation without disrupting existing operations.

## CONCLUSION

The hybrid cloud approach emerges as the optimal choice for organisations seeking to leverage the benefits of both private and public cloud models. By combining flexibility, scalability, enhanced security, optimal cost efficiency, disaster recovery capabilities, and increased agility, businesses can unlock the true potential of their cloud infrastructure. As technology continues to evolve, the hybrid cloud will undoubtedly remain a key enabler for organisations to thrive in an ever-changing digital landscape.

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# ROYAL COURT CALLS FOR REFORM TO FINANCIAL SERVICES REGULATION



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In a further development in an important area of law, the Disputes & Risk team at Babbé LLP successfully obtained a declaration that their clients' funds and other assets held with Credit Suisse were 'not, nor do they represent, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, any person's proceeds of criminal conduct for the purposes of the Criminal Justice (Proceeds of Crime) (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law 1999' and an order that the funds could be unfrozen in the very recent judgment of the Royal Court of Guernsey in *L & others v Credit Suisse AG* (Guernsey Branch).

The pertinent facts were as follows:

- The plaintiffs held accounts with Credit Suisse in a collective sum of approximately \$USD 90m. The source of these funds was an inheritance from the father of three of the plaintiffs, who was the husband of the fourth plaintiff. The deceased was the founder and shareholder of a significant multi-national corporation (defined in the judgment as Company X);
- Unbeknownst to the plaintiffs, their accounts were frozen by Credit Suisse following their filing of a Suspicious Activity Report under the Disclosure (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2007 due to foreign proceedings against the deceased in which criminal conduct is alleged;
- The plaintiffs became aware of difficulties with their accounts when they instructed Credit Suisse to transfer funds out of one of their accounts and the bank declined to comply with said instructions. Credit Suisse requested consent from Guernsey's Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) but this was not forthcoming;
- The plaintiffs thereafter commenced proceedings against Credit Suisse to prove, on the balance of probabilities, that the funds on the accounts were not the proceeds of criminal conduct and therefore could be released to them or to their order. Credit Suisse adopted a neutral position at the trial of the proceedings.

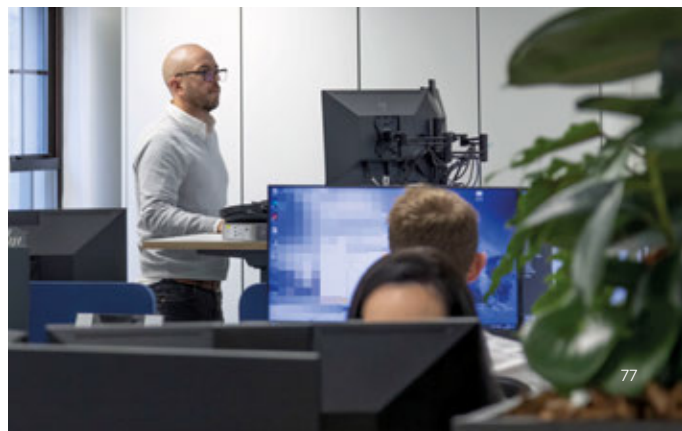
The plaintiffs' primary submission at trial was that as Company X is a very large multinational corporation, even if the alleged criminal conduct was proven, it would not automatically cause all payments made by Company X (such as employee salaries, bonuses, dividends etc) to be the 'proceeds' of such conduct.

The Royal Court agreed, stating that 'having regard to the size of Company X's enterprise relative to the possible proceeds, the length of time elapsed and the way in which, in the interim, any such proceeds were inevitably dealt with by being mixed into the funds of an enormous, active, worldwide commodity trading company, there is no sufficient (or even any) connection of identity which can be established between the moneys... and the original proceeds of the alleged assumed criminal conduct in Company X's hands'. The Court went further stating: 'the mere fact that there is assumed to have been criminal activity which produced some proceeds does not also require it to be assumed that such proceeds must later always be capable of being identified and characterised as such'.

The Disputes & Risk team exhaustively compiled evidence as to the source of the funds on which the Court commented that 'the evidence had been comprehensively and meticulously prepared, and I am satisfied that it shows that all the funds now present in the relevant accounts, constituting the approximately \$90m. in question can be considered to have originated from the four original sources described above'.

The Court was critical of the situation the plaintiffs found themselves in and called on the States of Guernsey to enact urgent reforms in this area, such as imposing time limits on the duration of a 'no consent' decision or the period in which the FIU must act when consent is refused.

The judgment is further evidence of the continued safeguarding of private rights by the Royal Court in response to the ever-increasing level of financial regulation being imposed on offshore financial centres.



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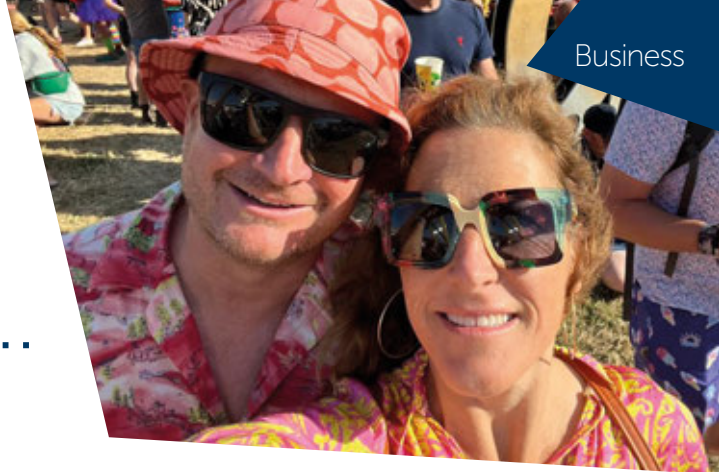
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I HAVE TO CELEBRATE YOU, BABY  
I HAVE TO PRAISE YOU, LIKE I SHOULD'**

**Praise You, FatBoy Slim, 1998**

This year, at the tender age of 52, I ventured to Glastonbury for the first time. Admittedly, it wasn't the full, immersive, welly-boot Glasto experience for my wife Jules and I, but a rather more comfortable 'glamping' version, including: yurts; beds; clean lavatories and showers; and, naturally, a stonking cocktail bar. One of the first things we noticed – which might have had something to do with life behind the private security-enforced cordon – is that 52, in Glasto years, is, like, 35! Not quite in the first flush of youth but still far enough down with the kids in celebrating the septuagenarian multi-millionaire performers on their last, last, final, goodbye tour. Amusing to realise, yet great fun. Primal Scream, Blondie, Guns n Roses, Fat Boy Slim, Cat Stevens and, of course, the huge finale with Elton playing to 200,000 people in a field. Which may possibly have required the odd cocktail to help stay hydrated, given the long days. Fantastic!

One thing I hadn't been expecting to hear while deciding which band was on next and the classic moans about 'wishing they'd play some of their old numbers' (that might have been me) was a discussion about inflation and its impact on prices at Glastonbury. So I decided to have a look to see if festival inflation chimed with the broader effect now being felt by consumers up and down the land. Fortunately for me, Pattern Data Science had already provided some comparisons, as shown below. However, first some headline numbers. Ticket prices rose by 19%, due to a couple of reasons: first, the general cost of putting on the event (approx. £40m!); and, second, the event organizers trying to make good the negative financial impact represented by the two years lost to Covid.

## INFLATION AND DISINFLATION OF GLASTONBURY ESSENTIALS

### Inflation:

- The cost of deodorant rose by 44.25% from Q2 2022 – Q2 2023
- Sun cream +35.73%
- Toilet roll +11.66%
- Toothpaste +11.04%
- Waterproof mac +8.42%
- Dry shampoo +7.89%

### Disinflation:

- The price of sleeping bags decreased by 7.23% from Q2 2022 – Q2 2023
- Inflatable mattresses -7.06%
- Hand sanitiser -4.45%
- Camping stoves -4.10%
- Camping chairs -3.98%

Source: Pattern Data Science

Interestingly, this is a reasonable reflection of inflation in the UK; one of the major areas of consistent inflation has been felt in the personal care sector. There has been a well-documented trend across the UK of households shopping differently; for example, many households are now juggling a combination of, say, Waitrose, Lidl and Aldi to reduce running costs. One area, however, where people haven't skimped, is personal care, which includes everything from cosmetics to deodorant and skin care.

From an investment perspective, this is also interesting because it recognises the resilience of leading companies in this sector. Of course, when input costs rise swiftly there will be an impact on earnings. But, over time, good brands clearly retain the ability to pass on rising costs to a loyal consumer base. Furthermore, since input costs have started to fall – while prices of goods have already risen – profit margins should begin to look increasingly healthy. At the same time, after many years of investment in the consumer-staple sector, institutional investors have reduced their exposure largely due to inflationary concerns and, as mentioned above, the initial knock-on effect on margins. Will they turn buyers again on this outlook? Global consumption has been a stalwart of our long-term investment themes for the last 15 years, so it is pleasing to see how these fantastic businesses have managed to weather the inflationary storm – in many cases emerging stronger than they went in.

At a broader level, inflation appears to be stubbornly sticky in the UK – a problem that the Bank of England has been addressing, albeit rather belatedly, through interest-rate hikes over the last year or so. Nevertheless, while we really don't know in which direction inflation will travel over the coming months, we really do know that the Bank of England's forecasting record has been pretty poor for many years.

Accordingly, and in our continuing quest for better inflationary insight, we now think that Glastonbury needs to become an annual pilgrimage. All in the vital interests of research, you understand...

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# EMPOWERING THE SUCCESS OF UK INTERMEDIARIES



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So, how can intermediaries master this diverse world?

## COLLABORATIVE APPROACH

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# IT'S A (WO)MAN'S WORLD!

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**'THIS IS A MAN'S WORLD, THIS IS A MAN'S WORLD. BUT IT WOULD BE NOTHING, NOTHING WITHOUT A WOMAN OR A GIRL'. - JAMES BROWN 1966**

Now that the above song is in your head, I will proceed to the matter in hand, which is actually the world of financial advice (I know, not quite as catchy)!

It may surprise readers to hear that even in 2023, the financial advice industry is still very much a male-dominated industry. Despite this, it's a great profession for women, too, and the diverse skills we bring can be an advantage in this game.

Firstly, let's look at the statistics. In Guernsey, there are almost 150 authorised financial advisers, and over 80% of them are male, with 122 authorised male advisers, and just 26 authorised female advisers<sup>1</sup>. Growing up with two brothers, I've always been more of a tomboy and not one to feel intimidated around males in a business setting. Despite that, I do have to mentally prepare myself before entering a room largely filled with men in suits.

This male prevalence in the finance industry started long ago, but things are now (thankfully) changing. I attended an all-girls' school (in the UK), and while I left more than 15 years ago, at the time, the boys'

school offered economics A-level, whereas the girls were only offered business studies or home economics. Now, both are very valid exams (and I would have done both if allowed), but economics was viewed more favourably by universities and firms if you wanted to pursue a career or degree leading to finance. I was therefore insistent that I wanted to study economics and ended up having to do so at the boys' school. I was the first girl to do so, but others joined me, and followed in subsequent years.

Luckily, it seems this educational disparity is no longer ubiquitous, and indeed a quick perusal of my old school's website confirms that economics is now offered to the girls as standard, which is excellent news. Naturally, it does take time for such changes to impact the industry and careers for present day students, but perhaps in the future, the scales will be more equalised.

At the moment though, it is still an unbalanced industry, and I have on occasion felt the pre-conception that finance remains a male area. I have attended two meetings with providers trying to sell their products to us where they aimed the entire meeting at my male colleague, and I was largely ignored. When it came to the key question in the meeting (whether we would be interested in their product), and it was I who answered, they nearly fell off their chairs. I quite enjoyed it actually, but it's still a sad reminder that the default view is often that the man is in charge.

Due to this, I have latterly been trying to put myself out there in the financial advice industry and I have been lucky to meet a number of other strong females in the sector who I very much enjoy working with. In some ways, being a woman may be helping me stand out, which is a nice twist. And what I really want to do now, is to try and encourage more females to join the industry, and a career for which I would argue women have a strong natural gift.

It's worth considering that times are changing. Women are expected to inherit 70% of the wealth passed down over the next two generations, to control two-thirds



of household wealth by 2030 and make up ~ 53% of UK millionaires by 2025<sup>2</sup>.

This means the amount of female clients seeking advisers are increasing and ultimately, financial advice comes down to trust and business relationships. This involves listening, empathising, and asking questions – skills that women generally hold. And 70% of women who work with financial advisers have confirmed they prefer a woman adviser, so it seems like a good idea to have a few more available!

I have experienced first-hand that it is often easier for a woman to form a bond with another woman. This bond then encourages an honest relationship, and ultimately leads to good financial advice, as the high level of engagement means that the adviser has the clearest possible understanding of their financial circumstances and their objectives.

So, what I'm trying to say (without offending 80% of my own industry!) is that, despite women advisers being in the minority, we can be just as good at it (I dare not say better, but I'll always aim to be!). And to any females considering starting or changing their career, perhaps consider financial advice, because we need you!

### FINANCIAL ADVICE IS A WOMAN'S WORLD!

Should you or anyone you know have an interest in a career in finance and have any questions, please feel free to email me at [bex@network.gg](mailto:bex@network.gg) and I'd be happy to have a chat.

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<sup>1</sup> Confirmed by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission 31st January 2023.

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# GUERNSEY TAX INCENTIVES

The last two years or so have seen an influx of new residents to the Island, attracted by the outstanding natural beauty of the Island coupled perhaps with no capital gains or inheritance tax and a single rate of 20% 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 as they give 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 new resident 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 certain 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 new resident 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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# THE EVOLUTION OF THE COMPANY SECRETARY

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Accountability and transparency have never been more important than in today's increasingly stringent regulatory environment. The most successful organisations understand that strong corporate governance is the core of their business, and the company secretary sits at its heart. Gwen Norman, Senior Manager at Redwood Co Sec, highlights how the role has evolved, its vital function and how the company secretary can add value to businesses.

## CARETAKERS OF YOUR BUSINESS

Historically, the term 'secretary' was associated with light administrative duties that supported the broader aims of a business, but much has changed. Today's company secretaries fulfil a wider and more strategic remit. Sitting at the operational core, they act as the conduit between an organisation's Board and key stakeholders, operating as its eyes and ears to simultaneously protect the business and help it achieve its strategic goals.

Keeping pace with corporate obligations is an ongoing process, requiring the continuous monitoring of the latest regulations and statutory obligations set out by each jurisdiction against the company's current operations. This is why the best company secretaries will have an in-depth technical knowledge of corporate governance best practice and how this impacts an organisation. A company with strong processes and procedures in place, and a skilled company secretary at the helm, reduces the chances of issues arising that could drastically impact its reputation.

## A SAFE PAIR OF HANDS

Assigning company secretarial duties to a senior staff member as a 'secondary role' may be tempting, but it can prove costly. In addition to becoming a distraction from their primary role, few employees have the time needed for rigorous corporate governance, which can lead to mistakes being made. For example, Board minutes are considered critical, legal documents, evidencing decisions and motivations for undertaking a particular strategy in the business and shareholders' best interests. The GFSC has highlighted the importance of maintaining accurate and appropriately detailed minutes in its public statements.

In a sector where communication is critical, an experienced company secretary will provide a unique 360-degree view of the business, ensuring a clear and concise information flow between all stakeholders. In some sectors, however, their duties are far wider reaching. In the funds space, for example, regular

company secretarial activities include corporate actions, satisfying listing requirements, and overseeing the collation and review of launch documentation, including the fund prospectus. Company secretaries also ensure the fund's corporate governance policies align with regulatory requirements and communication between the Board and shareholders remains regular, transparent and adequate.

## ADDING VALUE THROUGH EXPERTISE

Recruiting corporate secretarial specialists is an ongoing challenge that costs time and money, which is why many organisations invest in outsourced expertise. A leading corporate service provider understands that organisations require a tailored approach that meets their individual needs, either on a long-term or project basis, so they can flex accordingly. Outsourcing a company secretary is often more cost-efficient than a permanent hire, and it can deliver multiple other benefits.

The best professionals continuously invest in their expertise, upskilling while ensuring they stay abreast of all regulatory and legal changes to deliver a premium service to their clients. In addition to providing a professional, objective view, they are adept at supporting multiple organisations, from small businesses to multi-jurisdictional financial services firms and listed companies, so have a unique and in-depth sector knowledge that can actively improve operations and boost productivity.

While a company secretary is vital to ensuring that organisations implement and maintain good corporate governance, the role delivers unparalleled support for companies committed to driving their business forward.

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## THE RESOLUTION IT DESIGN CHALLENGE

RESOLUTION IT'S JOE WILKINSON SPEAKS ABOUT THE COMPANY'S ANNUAL DESIGN CHALLENGE.

Early in 2022, my colleague Tove Barnes and I were trying to think of unique and exciting ways that we could get Resolution IT involved in Guernsey's community. With a combined love of the creative arts (Tove being an experienced multi-media artist and me a fairly average PlayDoh! sculptor), we were set on hosting an arty competition with no boundaries.

That April, the Resolution IT Design a Gadget competition was born, and a call-to-colouring pencil was sent to the primary schools across the Bailiwick of Guernsey. The brief was simple – invent a crazy gadget, sketch it out, colour it in and tell us a little bit about what it does. No boundaries – just pure imagination. We wanted every student taking part to have complete freedom in letting their creativity run wild.

We were amazed to receive so many entries for our Design a Gadget competition, but the level of innovation and a drive to design something to better our community and boost sustainability was truly admirable. Our 2022 winning entry was a mobile 'Well on Wheels', designed to provide clean, fresh water to those in need in remote areas. This, and so many others, blew us away.

Resolution IT awarded a Nintendo Switch Lite to first place, with other exciting prizes awarded to runners-up, and to encourage as many entries as possible from schools around the island, offered a £500 donation to the school who sent in the highest percentage of entries in relation to their size.

This year, with the launch of our new office in Jersey, we decided to evolve the competition and open it up to both islands. Having seen such a drive towards sustainability in our 2022 entries, we asked for entries in three categories; Health & Wellbeing, Community and Environment. We also provided a new design focus; Design a Robot.

Among the remarkable entries, we had a robot specifically designed to help individuals with autism navigate unfamiliar environments, a travelling organic garden that ensures everyone has access to healthy food, a companion robot for residential homes that serves endless cups of tea, biscuits, and good company, and a machine that harnessed the power of cyanobacteria to convert carbon dioxide into energy, helping keep Guernsey clean. One of our Jersey entrants even managed to create a real, working robot based on their design!

In recognition of their outstanding efforts, we presented Sark School with a £500 reward for securing entries from 100% of their students. And as for prizes, Guernsey and Jersey winners received Xbox Series S consoles courtesy of Clicksmith, while PlainSail Technology provided an Amazon Fire Pro tablet for the second-place winner. The PlainSail Innovation Award came with a £150 cash prize, and additional prizes were generously contributed by Blue Islands, Oaty & Joey's, Aztech Soccer, Aladdin's Cave, and Resolution IT. The Guernsey leg of the competition was hosted in partnership with Digital Greenhouse, and we extend our heartfelt thanks to all who supported and participated in this competition!

The success of this competition has reminded us of the importance of nurturing creativity in individuals of all ages. After all, the progress we've achieved in technology is the direct result of people's ideas. When we give people the freedom to unleash their imaginations, great things happen!

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However, the recent surge in mortgage rates, as many fixed-rate deals approach their expiry date, has set a new benchmark for him. Here, Neil reviews the causes and potential strategies to help homeowners successfully steer through these rough financial waters.

## THE HEADLINES

The Bank of England's base rate has risen from just 0.1% p.a. all the way up to 5% p.a. (as at 30/06/23) in under two years. This spike means that fixed rates, which were readily available at less than 2% p.a. in the very recent past, are now at a staggering 6% -7% p.a. Based on these figures, homeowners with a typical Guernsey mortgage of £350,000, could see their re-payments climb by a staggering £800 to £1000 per month.

## THE PROPELLING FORCES

The current upturn in mortgage rates can be attributed to several global economic factors. Perhaps the most significant is inflation, which refers to the general increase in prices of goods and services over time. Inflation erodes the purchasing power of money, leading to a decrease in its value. To counteract its effects, central banks have employed specific policies, such as raising interest rates which have led directly to the sharp increase in mortgage rates.

The low interest rate environment that prevailed for over a decade saw many homeowners securing cheap fixed-rate deals. The imminent expiry of these contracts in an era of higher rates is, understandably, triggering alarm bells. The prospect of a substantial monthly payment hike is causing concern for many.

## SPEAK TO A BROKER

As the mortgage landscape continues to shift at a staggering pace, lenders too are evolving their

offerings, adding complexity and giving borrowers even more information to digest. This makes the independent advice of a mortgage broker more important than ever.

At Gower, we are continuously monitoring the market shifts and can help you make sense of the available options. Should you re-fix? How long should you re-fix for? Would a tracker rate be more appropriate? Every individual's circumstances will differ and no two cases will be the same.

As independent mortgage brokers, our job is to clearly explain the options so that you can make a decision that feels right for you. Because Gower is independent and offers an unbiased perspective, we can monitor what is available from the whole market rather than just what your current lender is willing to offer. If you are concerned that your current mortgage rate is about to expire, we would be happy to discuss any potential alternatives and bring you up-to-speed with the latest offers.

## LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

While the recent headlines may seem daunting, it's important to remember that economies and markets are generally cyclical. While it is impossible to forecast whether this current upswing in rates is a blip in the long-term trend, or whether they're to stay, it is essential that borrowers make the most informed decision about what rate to choose, when they need to. It is always prudent to prepare for any situation, and Gower is here to guide you every step of the way.

If you're concerned about your existing fixed rate deal nearing its end, please contact us and our mortgage team would be happy to help. In the meantime, here's hoping for less turbulence and more stability in the years to come.

# THANK YOU GUERNSEY

We couldn't have reached our 50-year milestone without the support of the Guernsey community. Therefore, we are pledging to accomplish 50 acts of kindness within the community this year.

We hope that this, in turn, inspires others to spread compassion, goodwill, and generosity, and make a positive impact in their local communities.

Here are some of the causes we've helped so far.



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## **Hedgehog Helpers**

Over a period of a few Sundays, a dedicated team of staff members have come together to restore and enhance the facilities at The Hedgehog Sanctuaries.

## **Guernsey Community Savings Paint Donation**

We donated £198 worth of paint to Guernsey Community Savings to help with their new site renovation.

## **Guernsey Fire Brigade Voucher Donation**

We donated a £50 voucher to the Fire Brigade for their charity raffle. Raising money for a number of charities on the island.

## **Herm Charity Camping Pitch**

We created a Herm tent pitch for families in need.

## **Wet Wheels Trips**

We funded two Wet Wheels trips in Guernsey, allowing people with disabilities to enjoy the open sea.

## **Guernsey Youth Commission Plywood Donation**

We cut and donated 8 sheets of plywood to the Guernsey Youth Commission.

## **Guernsey Rowing Club Voucher Donation**

We donated a £50 voucher and drinks to the Guernsey Rowing Club's 50th anniversary day.

## **Sleepers Donated to Vale Primary School**

We donated 6 sleepers to help Vale Primary School re-build their sand pit.

## **Paint for The Guernsey Badminton Association**

We donated paint to the Guernsey Badminton Association to repaint their courts for the Island Games.

## **Priaultx Premature Baby Foundation Voucher Donation**

We donated a £50 voucher to the Priaultx Premature Baby Foundation for their raffle.

## **Charity Day**

We donated 5p in every £1 for the entire day on the 30th of June!

**Look out for more on our 50th Anniversary website:**  
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# A BUSINESS IS NOTHING WITHOUT ITS PEOPLE

BY JOHN BAMPKIN, GROUP CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, NORMAN PIETTE

JW Marriott said, 'If you look after your employees, they will take care of your customers and your business will take care of itself.' Well, he should know. He founded the Marriott Corporation, the world's largest hospitality and hotel chain. The company rose from a small root beer stand in 1927 to 1,400 restaurants, 143 hotels and resorts worldwide with 154,600 employees.

At the NP Group, our management team work hard to put staff at the centre of our operation. We see ourselves as more than 'an employer'. Understanding people as individuals and caring about the things that are important to them is key. As JW would have said, 'If you don't get the staff experience right, you won't get the customer experience right!'

If we learnt anything from Covid it was about the value of the people in our lives – not just friends and family but the others we interact with regularly. We all know that businesses from all sectors are struggling to employ people as demand for goods and services outstrips supply. Whether it's hospitality, retail or construction, businesses are unable to operate at full capacity and rebuild, especially to recoup the losses suffered during lockdown.

A key word is 'trust'. You can't make the right decisions in a business unless you trust each other. Your people won't trust you unless you demonstrate that you care about them. It's important to tell staff what the business is doing and why it's doing it. Transparency and good 'internal comms' are essential.



One of the biggest natural positive changes in my working life has been the cultural shift in the relationships between bosses and their workers. In my first job, health & safety was almost non-existent, the staff canteen was filthy, we had no uniforms and woe betide anyone who turned up five minutes late. Thankfully, we're a more caring, transparent and open society now.

Construction is a technical business and we need people who are knowledgeable but this only comes with experience on the job. My favourite part of leading a team is developing people's skills. It's great to see someone who's new to the job turning into a trusted and respected professional with genuine expertise.

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 we attract school and university leavers and give them a clear career path along which they can see tangible development in their chosen profession.

As a family-owned business it is no accident that our staff retention is high. We have an environment of continuous improvement right across the board, invest heavily in training and like to instil a positive community spirit in our team. After all, as our motto says, we are helping to build a better Guernsey.

I want people to come to work, enjoy their time in a great environment with the right tools and want to give the company something back. I want them to go the extra mile for our customers because the business is going the extra mile for them.

Finally, I want to return to the wise words of JW Marriott. He said:

**'YOU'VE GOT TO MAKE YOUR EMPLOYEES HAPPY. IF THE EMPLOYEES ARE HAPPY, THEY ARE GOING TO MAKE THE CUSTOMERS HAPPY.'**

So, the next time you do something constructive for your staff, remember you will also be having a positive impact on your bottom line and your reputation for great customer service... and we all want that don't we?

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# AIR SOURCE HEAT PUMPS AREN'T FOR EVERYONE. BUT THEY COULD BE FOR YOU.

The UK government wants to reduce its dependence on fossil-fuels and meet climate targets. One way they're doing this is by helping householders install air source heat pumps (ASHPs) in their properties.

Here in Guernsey, ASHPs will also help lower energy bills and reduce carbon emissions thanks to their superior efficiency. The unit cost to run an ASHP is the same as an electric boiler, meaning it could be around three times cheaper to enjoy a cosy home in winter with an ASHP.

Already on electric heating? Check your heating bill and divide the unit cost by three for an idea of how much you could save.

## WHAT IS AN AIR SOURCE HEAT PUMP?

It's the cheapest and cleanest way to heat a home in Guernsey.

Working like a fridge in reverse, ASHPs transfer heat from outside air to inside your home for radiators, underfloor heating, and hot water.

They're also super-efficient, producing three times as much heat as the electricity used to power them.\*

Where water boils at 100°C, the refrigerant in the ASHP's outdoor unit can boil at around -48°C. This means your system can produce the warmth needed for your home even in wintery temperatures as low as -20°C.

This is why they're so cost-effective to run. In fact, they're the cheapest heating system to use in Guernsey. Running cost is around 66% less than electric boilers, 50% less than oil, and over 70% less than gas boilers.

## THE CLEANER ALTERNATIVE

All electric heating produces zero carbon emissions around your outdoor living space and is powered with renewable energy\*\*. An ASHP will produce over 90% less carbon emissions over its lifecycle than gas or oil heating systems.

However, ASHPs may not work as effectively in poorly insulated properties. They're also generally more expensive to purchase and install than traditional heating systems. It's best to do some research and contact a qualified installer to find out if an ASHP is right for your property.

## WHERE DO ASHPs WORK BEST?

Heat pumps are a must for new builds, perfect for pools, and ideal for well-insulated homes and commercial buildings, such as offices, shops and schools.

Generally older, draughty properties and those made of granite are less suitable as they're less able to retain heat.

## DO YOU NEED PLANNING PERMISSION?

In early 2023, the new Planning Law Exemptions Ordinance came into force which states that installing an ASHP in Guernsey does not require planning permission – but will have certain caveats.

To learn more, visit [www.electrictliving.gg/heatpumps](http://www.electrictliving.gg/heatpumps)

Choose sustainability, choose affordability, and embrace a cleaner future with air source heat pumps.

\* ASHPs can have an efficiency rate of 300% or higher. Efficiency can vary depending on the installation, cost, design, and outdoor temperature conditions.

\*\* Guernsey's annual electricity supply is made up of over 90% renewable energy including hydro, wind and solar imported from Europe via a subsea cable. The rest of the island's demand is topped up using diesel-generators at the Power Station.

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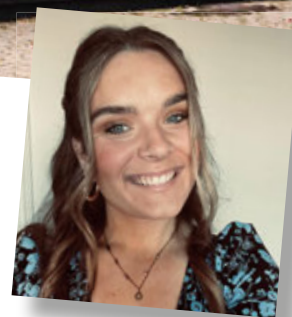


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# A FAMILY BUSINESS BUILT ON CUSTOMER SERVICE

BY MILLIE FORINO, SALES & SHOWROOM MANAGER AT GFF



ADVERTORIAL

GFF is what could be described as a traditional family business. My father, Greg Forino, set up the business in 1997 and now three generations of the family work for the company.

I mention this because I believe that family values within a business are very important. This dictates how you treat your staff and, of course, your customers. We place customer service and satisfaction at the heart of everything we do.

When you enter our showroom at Ville au Roi the first person you are likely to meet will be me, but you may also see Greg and our Contracts Manager Ray Queripel, with whom I work very closely. Ray has over 20 years' experience in the installation of all types of flooring and in customer service as part of the senior management team.

He will visit your home, measure up, discuss the fitting, prepare the quotes and look after quality control. He has seven full-time fitters plus three sub-contractors who do all the work. It's a busy team who are experts in all aspects of the job.

Many of our customers have a firm idea of the type of flooring they are looking for and will bring

images from Pinterest or from a house magazine, one of their cupboard doors or a sofa cushion. Some will have a vague concept but are unsure of what colour or finish to choose, while a few will have no preconceived plan and are looking for inspiration.

It is my job to make sure you leave the showroom having chosen the most practical, stylish and affordable flooring available.

Many people rightly associate GFF with hard flooring but don't realise we have a huge range of carpets, too. We also have a new addition to the showroom which is decorative plaster and micro cement floors and we've lots of samples for you to view. It's very easy for customers to be overwhelmed with so much choice which is where I come in. By asking a few questions I can take the pressure off and make the decision-making process much easier. Think of me as your tour guide!

In this role, Ray and I notice how fashions come and go. Neutral or grey was the carpet colour of choice for a few years but we're seeing that less and less now as homeowners make bolder decisions.

In entrance halls and stairwells, we are seeing striking striped patterns becoming very popular. It seems that many people want to make a statement to visitors when they walk through the front door, and we can supply and fit some amazing products by manufacturers such as Roger Oates.

In hard flooring, herringbone patterns are back in vogue after years of long, wide boards. This is also very popular in entrance halls, adding a touch of class to properties.

Most people choose Luxury Vinyl Tiles or LVTs as they are more cost-effective, and no one would know the difference between that and wood. For the cost of a wood floor, you can get an LVT version and have it fitted too. It makes sense in this current economic climate and the choices are fantastic from brands such as Amtico, Karndean, Kahrs, Matrix, Westex, Jacaranda, Alternative Flooring, Crucial Trading, Ted Todd and many more!

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# LET'S GET DIGITAL

BY ANDY FOTHERGILL, JOINT MANAGING DIRECTOR, PRINTED IN GUERNSEY

ADVERTORIAL

Technology has revolutionised the printing world. Printed In Guernsey has set aside the old, non-sustainable printing practices and has embraced the future. New techniques now ensure that there is minimal paper waste, the print quality is better, it's more cost-effective for the printer, delivers more value to the customer and is kinder to the planet.

The rise of the internet created a misconception – the paperless office! But printing is not dead! Far from it. We have made significant investments in training and the very latest digital printing technologies. This benefits businesses in the islands and the UK in a way that would not have been possible using traditional printing techniques.

Personalisation of products and bespoke printed communications are already a big thing that savvy businesses employ to market to their customers. Take brochures for example. Forget the 'blunderbus' approach where every customer gets every piece of information on all products landing on their doormats. Clever use of data allows for businesses to target their client's requirements and only communicate the specific marketing information they want and need.

In effect, every brochure that comes off the press is bespoke, designed and printed especially for that client. It is far less likely to be binned (or recycled) immediately, improving the chances of that all-important sale.

Back in the day, if your business required 100 copies of a simple A4 leaflet with some text and one colour photograph this process would have taken around three weeks. The original artwork would need to have been photographed, separations made, films planned and metal printing plates built. Setting the printing machine up would probably have taken around two hours and lots of paper and ink would have been wasted.

Those simple brochures could have cost around £1,000. So, businesses used to order 1000 instead of 100 to bring the unit cost down. 900 brochures would then sit in a storeroom somewhere waiting for the day they were superseded and were thrown away.

But today, if you want 100 colour leaflets, each one could have a different photo and you would probably get the completed items in three days, and it could be done for a fraction of the cost.

This year Guernsey was honoured to be hosting the Island Games. Printed In Guernsey produced 3,500 accreditations for the Island Games sportsmen and women, journalists, volunteers, coaches, and medical staff on to synthetic paper. Each contained a unique photograph of the pass holder, their name, and their island flag, all printed in one day. I have no idea how we would have done this job back in the 80s! Investment in the very best technology allows us to achieve it.

During the pandemic Printed In Guernsey took on a large number of tasks for businesses and organisations under NDA and GDPR compliance. Digital techniques have greatly increased the security that can be built into a document. We can add microtext which can only be read using magnification, invisible ink which is only legible under ultraviolet light or watermarking patterns that are difficult to replicate. Your document may also benefit from a selection of clever barcoding techniques.

**CLEVER USE OF DATA ALLOWS FOR BUSINESSES TO TARGET THEIR CLIENT'S REQUIREMENTS AND ONLY COMMUNICATE THE SPECIFIC MARKETING INFORMATION THEY WANT AND NEED.**

The accuracy and quality of digital printing compared to older technologies is off the scale. Colour matching is perfect as our machines have cameras that check several parameters on every sheet. If it isn't right, it is automatically removed and replaced.

Digital printing requires no set up time, no cleaning of rollers or changing of inks. There are far fewer stages in the process such as folding, collating and binding so takes a fraction of the time. There are fewer moving parts so far less that can go wrong. This increases trust between the printer and the client.

Digital printing allows businesses to use each hour of the working day more productively as you can have a constant stream of documents printing. Because the digital process has fewer steps than older techniques this improves the turnaround time and helps your profitability. As technology improves, options for paper stock, finishes, or other features will also continue to increase.

Modern digital printing techniques tread lightly on our finite resources compared to the old, power-greedy systems. People imagine that printers have great big machines that use lots of electricity but, the cost is

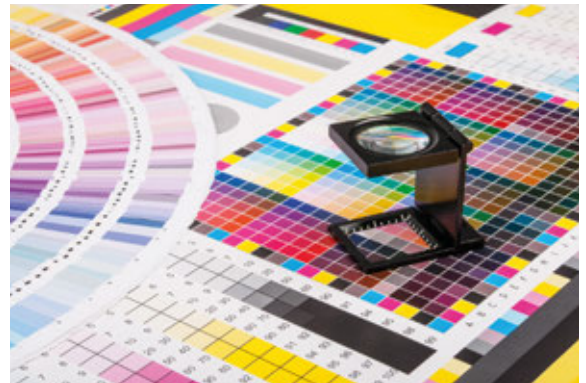
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now just a tiny percentage of the overall cost of a print job. Our new machines don't use anywhere near as much electricity as the old ones... and we all go home with clean hands.

So, that's a brief overview of how the digital revolution has ensured printing is far from dead. It's alive and kicking and doing very well thanks. What's more it has an exciting future as the development of new technologies accelerates.

All of the processes described here are available in Guernsey. The machinery, the skilled staff and the answers to your questions are at the far end of a small industrial estate just off Rue a Chien at Garenne Park in St Sampsons.

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# GUERNSEY'S OPEN MARKET



## A HAVEN FOR BRITISH PASSPORT HOLDERS SEEKING A SAFER, LESS TAXING LIFESTYLE.

As the political landscape in the United Kingdom undergoes a potential shift with the Labour Party gaining momentum, many individuals and families are exploring alternative options for a safer and less taxing lifestyle. Guernsey continues to be a desirable destination for UK residents seeking a fresh start. Swoffers Managing Director, Craig Whitman, delves into our thriving Open Market and highlights the key advantages Guernsey has to offer.

At Swoffers we have an unmatched track record with a reputation for excellence and expertise in both our Open and Local Markets. We continue to work hard to cement our position as the island's leading estate agency. And I am proud to be able to say that so far this year Swoffers has been responsible for 60% of all Open Market sales. This exceptional achievement showcases our commitment to assisting buyers and sellers in finding their perfect homes on the island.

One of our latest properties, that we are thrilled to have been appointed the sole agency of, is Domaine De La Roche, a magnificent cliff top home. This exquisite property epitomises the luxurious and tranquil lifestyle that Guernsey has to offer. With panoramic sea views and unrivalled privacy, this truly is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to purchase a very special home.

Beyond Guernsey's striking natural beauty, the island continues to entice prospective buyers with its attractive taxation system. Even as individuals and families prioritise safety and security, low taxes also remain a factor in their decision-making process. Our island stands out from our competitors by offering a range of appealing tax benefits, including no capital gains taxes, no inheritance taxes, a flat rate of 20% income tax, and, no Value Added Tax (VAT). The

benefits of these low tax financial advantages and individual tax caps, combined with the island's idyllic setting, makes Guernsey an irresistible option for those seeking a less burdensome financial environment.

Guernsey's appeal extends beyond UK residents, as we welcome individuals and families from various corners of the globe. Expats from Hong Kong, Dubai, and Singapore have found solace in Guernsey's stability and inviting lifestyle. Additionally, those hailing from South Africa, New Zealand, and Australia have also recognised the island's allure as a destination for a fresh start. Our Open Market offers a diverse selection of properties to cater to the unique preferences of all global citizens.

Another key advantage of relocating to Guernsey is the ease of entry. The process of moving to the island is straightforward and hassle-free. Part of the entry requirements is a British Passport or UK Entry Visa. Guernsey welcomes individuals and families alike with open arms, ensuring a smooth transition to their new home and way of life.

Our beautiful island stands out as an ideal choice for many considering an alternative option. Swoffers is pleased to offer a wide selection of properties available for sale and rental from stunning coastal homes to beautiful, charming town houses, low maintenance lock up and leaves. Guernsey's tax advantages and streamlined entry process, presents an enticing reason for those looking to embrace a new chapter in their lives.

*To learn more about the relocation process, we encourage you to reach out to our experienced Open Market team at [sales@swoffers.co.uk](mailto:sales@swoffers.co.uk) or visit our website [www.swoffers.co.uk](http://www.swoffers.co.uk).*



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# THE IMPORTANCE OF PROPERLY AMENDING A WILL

BY HENRY WICKHAM, HEAD OF ESTATE PLANNING, WILLS AND PROBATE, OGIER, JERSEY; NATHALIE LE CUIROT, ASSOCIATE, OGIER, JERSEY; AND MARTYN BAUDAINS, PARTNER, OGIER, GUERNSEY

Executing a will is important to ensure that, upon your death, your assets are allocated according to your wishes. If you die without a valid will in place, you die 'intestate', and your estate may be dealt with differently from what would have been the case if you had made a will.

This can lead to issues, as the intestacy rules in the Channel Islands often do not take into account the intricacies of a modern family including second marriages, stepchildren and unmarried partners.

You can amend your will as often as you wish. Often, they are amended when your circumstances change, for example when you buy a property, get married or have children. It is also important to revisit your will upon divorce due to the implications under the law.

When amending a will, it is essential that you revoke (or cancel) the previous will. This can be carried out by an act evidencing an intention to revoke, for example the destruction of a will with the intention of revoking it, a simple declaration that the will is revoked, and the making of a subsequent testamentary instrument, the provisions of which are wholly or in part inconsistent with the provisions of the earlier instrument.

In the recent Jersey case *Representation of Anthony Paul Del Amo* [2022] JRC 190 the deceased had arranged for new wills to be prepared but died before he executed them. It was questioned whether the earlier wills had been revoked so that he died intestate or whether the earlier wills remained valid. The Court said it could not conclude that the deceased had revoked his wills and intended to die intestate and therefore ruled that the earlier wills remained valid.

While this was a Jersey case, it is likely that the Guernsey Court would reach the same conclusion in similar circumstances.

This recent case is a salutary reminder that a will might not be considered revoked without there being a clear act on the part of the testator, so if you are not sure your current will still reflects your wishes you should seek legal advice without delay. In some cases, it may be preferable to destroy your old will while your new will is being prepared.

**IF YOU DIE WITHOUT A VALID WILL IN PLACE, YOU DIE 'INTESTATE', AND YOUR ESTATE MAY BE DEALT WITH DIFFERENTLY FROM WHAT WOULD HAVE BEEN THE CASE IF YOU HAD MADE A WILL.**



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## GUERNSEY FINANCE APPOINTS NEW DEPUTY CHAIRMAN



Kevin Boscher, chief investment officer at Ravenscroft, has taken on the role of deputy chairman at Guernsey Finance which will provide additional support to the board of the island's promotional agency for financial services. He joins Paul Sykes, Kate Storey, Deputy Steve Falla, Guernsey Finance chief executive Rupert Pleasant and current chairman Deputy Lyndon Trott.

He brings more than 35 years' experience in financial services and investments and has spent most of his career in the areas of investment management and strategy. He will continue in his role at Ravenscroft with the Guernsey Finance position being a voluntary one.

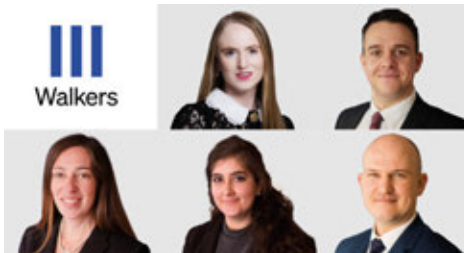
Mr Boscher, who describes himself as 'passionate about Guernsey plc', is a regular speaker at investment conferences and seminars and is a frequent commentator for CNBC, Bloomberg and Sky.

Educated at Elizabeth College, he holds the Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment Chartered Wealth Manager qualification and is a Chartered Fellow of the CISI.

'I am delighted and honoured to be appointed to this role,' he said. 'Having worked in the finance industry in Guernsey all my career, I have seen first-hand how the breadth and depth of experience within the industry together with many other positive attributes have enabled us to 'punch well above our weight' and become a global leader in many sectors of international finance. This is something we should celebrate and continue to promote for our future economic success.

'I have also worked with Guernsey Finance on a number of occasions and have been impressed with how they represent and promote the industry in a competent and effective way. I look forward to working with the board and the team to continue the good work.'

## FIVE NEW SENIOR ASSOCIATES AT WALKERS



Walkers has promoted five new senior associates in its annual promotions. The promotions of Rebecca Hale, Jarrad Knoetze, Kathryn Macken, Angela Proctor and Marcel

Treurnicht have been welcomed by Walkers' Guernsey managing partner Matt Sanders, who said that the firm was continuing its ambitious growth plans in the Channel Islands.

'We are delighted to celebrate the success of our colleagues and to continue to be building and developing our Guernsey practice, with 19 new starters in the past year at all levels and across all practice groups,' he said. 'Having moved to new, expanded offices at the end of last year, we continue to invest in the business here. 'Developing the talent within the group is a critical part of our growth strategy and these promotions are thoroughly deserved.'

## SENIOR COMPLIANCE APPOINTMENT AT STONEHAGE FLEMING



Candice Price has been appointed as the new head of risk and compliance at Stonehage Fleming in Guernsey.

She has more than 31 years' experience in risk and compliance, working across Guernsey, the UK, South Africa, Switzerland and Mauritius. She will work with the

Family Office team in Guernsey and risk and compliance teams across the Stonehage Fleming Group.

She will also, later in 2023, assume prescribed officer responsibilities in relation to the Compliance Officer, MLRO and MLCO for Stonehage Fleming's operational entities in Guernsey, reporting to Paul Le Bihan.

## PEREGRINE WEALTH APPOINTS FUND OPERATIONS MANAGER



James Cook has been appointed to the role of fund operations manager. In his new role, Mr Cook – who has worked in financial services since 2005 – will be responsible for the day-to-day operational management of Peregrine Wealth's 15 Guernsey-domiciled investment funds.

'I look forward to this fantastic opportunity and getting stuck into a new challenge,' he said. 'It's clear that Peregrine Wealth continues to activate its growth plans with more in the pipeline. I'm thrilled to join the team and assist with implementing those plans over the coming months.'

## VEGA TECHNOLOGY APPOINTS HEAD OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT



Nick Mahy has been appointed head of business development at financial software company Vega Technology. This is a new role created to further grow the business as it develops additional products and increases its presence in new markets.

Managing & technical director of Vega Technology, David Collings, said: 'We are entering a new phase of growth, where we will be building on our established suite of financial and regulatory software and taking it to more offshore jurisdictions. Nick has come from the client-side of our business so is perfectly positioned to be able to identify needs and, with his IT experience, can help guide the development of our new products and client centric solutions.'

## HR EXPERT JOINS ASPIDA

Aspida Group has appointed Matt Roland as head of people and culture. Mr Roland has experience in HR gained in a variety of organisations ranging from large, multi-jurisdictional business to smaller, management-owned companies.

Kevin Gilligan, head of business advisory said: 'We are delighted Matt has joined the group in this new and important role. At the heart of our strategic objectives is "People and Technology" but with the emphasis on our people. Matt will play a key role as we continue to grow our current operation but he will also support us with our ambitions to enter new markets.'

## PROMOTIONS AT CAREY OLSEN



Carey Olsen has appointed Tom Carey as managing partner in its Guernsey office. He joined Carey Olsen in Guernsey in 2004 and is an established member of the firm's Executive Board and Strategy Committee. He takes over from incumbent managing partner Russell Clark who, after 17 successful years on the local management team, will continue to be a partner and active member of several of the firm's management committees.



Meanwhile, Patricia Montgomery has been promoted to the partnership.

Her promotion is one of four lawyers becoming partners across Carey Olsen's BVI, Guernsey and Jersey offices. Advocate Montgomery, who is part of the Guernsey trusts and private wealth team, joined the firm in 2001 and was admitted as an advocate of the Royal Court in 2003.

## PROMOTIONS AT INVICTA



Chris Le Garff, left & Brent Marquand, right.

Invicta Wealth Solutions has promoted Brent Marquand to assistant client relationship director and Chris Le Garff to manager.

'Brent and Chris' promotions are well deserved and testament to their hard work and dedication within our client team,' said Invicta CEO Jim Elliott. 'Our client relationships are at the heart of what we do at Invicta and Brent has shown exceptional commitment to delivering solutions for our clients.'





# SKETCHING A GREENER FUTURE: WHERE ART AND SUSTAINABLE FINANCE INTERSECT

The lush emerald greenery at Moulin Huet, the picturesque Pleinmont cliffs, the spray of a wave ricocheting off a rock, all of these classic Guernsey views were inspiration for renowned artist Pierre-Auguste Renoir when he visited the island in 1883. And since then, those views have remained unchanged thanks to the preservation of Guernsey's wildlife and biodiversity.

To continue protecting our exquisite natural environment, Guernsey is working to encourage natural capital investment through its Natural Capital Fund regime and Green Fund regime.

Illustrating the intersection between art, finance, and sustainability, Art for Guernsey is staging a world-class gallery of nature-based art at this year's Sustainable Finance Week, hosted by Guernsey Finance.

Guernsey Finance's fourth annual Sustainable Finance Week will feature engaging discussions around the issues at hand in the sustainable finance space and how Guernsey, as a jurisdiction strongly committed to the sustainable finance agenda, is tackling these issues.

Art for Guernsey will be exhibiting local photographer Paul Chambers' 19th century photography response to the challenge set by Renoir, that 'Photographers cannot capture the movement of the light'.

David Ummels, Founder of Art for

Guernsey, said: 'Artists are very inspired by science and they have a way to represent what science has found. In this particular project in sustainable finance, artists have a role to represent sustainability and ecology.'

Sustainable Finance Week will explore how high net worth families are investing in the environment, the innovative solutions achieved by private equity funds investing in nature, and whether the transition to net zero can take place without suitable and specific insurance.

David added: 'I believe the finance industry is very creative because it is for the most part about finding a solution under immense pressure with immense constraint. As a finance professional I feel that we need to have creativity.'

This creativity will be explored throughout the week via informative panel sessions, where topical discussions will cover natural capital, ensuring a just transition to net zero, sustainable innovation and the implementation of global disclosures and frameworks.

As well as our rich natural environment, Guernsey has a local community abundant with culture. The event will give attendees the chance to get to know our beautiful island at a drinks reception at the Rocquette Cider Farm.

Outside of the conference, educational Fringe Events will be hosted by organisations such

as the Guernsey International Insurance Association, PwC, RBSi, the Guernsey Financial Services Commission, Philanthropy Impact, The Guernsey Association of Trustees, and The International Sustainability Institute.

The full list of Fringe Events is available on Guernsey Finance's website, <https://www.weareguernsey.com/finance-events/2023/sustainable-finance-week-2023/fringe-events/>.

These events will range from talks on the reasons behind the growing popularity of impact investing, to an open 'meet the regulator' event, to a discussion on balancing the 'social' aspect of ESG underwriting.

Stephanie Glover, Head of Sustainability at Guernsey Finance said: 'I'm really looking forward to hearing from leading market experts at the fringe events for this year's Sustainable Finance Week.'

'We are delighted that the speakers and attendees of the event will get the opportunity to hear from Guernsey finance and environmental groups over the course of the week.'

The conference is kindly sponsored by RBS International, PwC, Cazenove Capital, TISE, KPMG, Ogier and The Fort Group.

*You can register for the event by visiting [www.weareguernsey.com/finance-events/2023/sustainable-finance-week-2023/registration/](https://www.weareguernsey.com/finance-events/2023/sustainable-finance-week-2023/registration/)*

## SUSTAINABILITY TITANS CONFIRMED AT 2023 SUSTAINABLE FINANCE WEEK

Sustainability titans Ben Goldsmith and Dr Gemma Cranston will address the conference as keynote speakers on Wednesday 20 and Thursday 21 September respectively.

Ben is the Chief Executive Officer of London-listed investment trust Menhaden Resource Efficiency Plc, which invests in businesses at the forefront of energy and resource efficiency. He co-founded the UK Environmental Funders' Network and was a non-executive director of the U.K. Government's Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs from 2018 to 2022.

Gemma is the Executive Director of Pollination, a specialist climate change investment and advisory firm accelerating the transition to a net zero, nature positive future. She has a strong track record of leading the development and deployment of company engagements to identify strategic and commercially relevant approaches to protect and restore nature.

Guernsey Finance Head of Sustainability Stephanie Glover said: 'We are thrilled to have two incredibly well-respected figures as keynote speakers at this year's event. Gemma and Ben are leaders in their fields, both working to develop climate and nature positive pathways, and will bring fascinating insights to the conference.'

### HOW DOES GUERNSEY DIFFER FROM OTHER JURISDICTIONS AND SUSTAINABLE FINANCE INITIATIVES?

It's easy to talk the talk on sustainable finance, but can Guernsey walk the walk? We hear from Guernsey's financial experts.

William Mason, Director General of the Guernsey Financial Services Commission (GFSC) said: 'In the past year, we launched the Natural Capital Fund framework to create a regulatory designation for funds to help channel investment into biodiversity and natural capital projects.'

The commission also enhanced protection for investors from the potential risk of 'greenwashing' by

developing guidance to ensure that adequate disclosures are made in respect of environmental sustainability claims. Further action was taken by the commission with the publication of an amended Finance Sector Code of Corporate Governance, which came into effect in October 2021.

The updated Code asks boards to consider the impact of climate change on their strategy and risk profile and, where appropriate, make climate change related disclosures.



## TRUST

Rhona Humphreys, Chair of the Guernsey Association of Trustees (GAT), said GAT is supportive of the fact that clients' minds are increasingly focused on the responsibility that comes with wealth.

She said: 'Integrating sustainable investments into a trust investment strategy has become a fundamental part of our fiduciary duties. We are committed to take into consideration the balance of long-term concerns around sustainability alongside our more immediate responsibilities to beneficiaries in order to move towards a more sustainable economy, and a viable and prosperous world for all.'

## FUNDS

Guernsey's funds industry recognises that by aligning financial goals with environmental and social objectives, it plays a pivotal role in driving positive change and supporting the transition towards a more sustainable and resilient future, said Chair of the Guernsey

Investment and Funds Association (GIFA) Haley Camp.

An example of this comes in the form of Guernsey Green Funds, which are designed specifically to support environmentally friendly investments.

Haley said: 'They follow international best practices and standards to ensure transparency and credibility to ensure that the funds are genuinely contributing to a more sustainable future and that their investments have a positive impact on various environmental and climate change mitigation aspects.'

## INSURANCE

John Rowson, Chair of the Guernsey International Insurance Association (GIIA)'s ESG Committee said:

'GIIA recognises that for the directors of insurance licensed entities, domiciled in Guernsey, travelling for board meetings is essential to appropriately discharge their fiduciary responsibilities. GIIA has therefore purchased carbon offsets in June 2023 from the Gold

Standard Foundation to offset 100 tonnes of CO2, equivalent to our members estimated impact from this essential travel, through the BaumInvest Mixed Reforestation in Costa Rica and The Nicaforest High Impact Reforestation Program.'

## PENSIONS

Guernsey Association of Pension Providers (GAPP) have recently adopted an ESG framework, following in the footsteps of GIIA's 2021 framework, further strengthening Guernsey's growing suite of ESG-focused guidance. GAPP Chair Stephen Ainsworth said: 'GAPP has recognised the importance of sustainable investment through its recent adoption of the ESG Framework for Pensions. ESG is no longer marginal and is increasingly being regarded as a core issue for international pension schemes.'



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## DESIGN: THE NEW GENERATION

With a move to additional new premises, Sandra Robinson Kitchens & Bedrooms has expanded its team. Amanda Eulenkamp caught up with design consultants Ella Sexton and Ben Perry, and kitchen fitter Ethan Hollingsworth.

Established kitchen and bedroom designer Sandra Robinson has taken on a young team to drive the business forward, following the move to a second showroom on South Esplanade earlier this year. 'I believe in investing in the younger generation and passing on valuable knowledge, years of experience and expertise,' she said.

Both Ella and Ben have previous experience as kitchen designers but when the opportunity to join Sandra came up, they both grabbed it.

'Sandra saw the potential and had faith in both of us, so took the two of us on,' said Ben. 'It's a really exciting time to have joined as we are in a phase of expansion.'

The new showroom is the perfect place for the team to showcase their skills. Downstairs there are display kitchens, while upstairs is the design studio and a welcoming presentation area for clients to sit and see their designs come to life.

Sandra, known as the 'Queen of CAD', is still at the helm of the business. She has used computer aided design since the beginning but it has since come on in leaps and bounds with the advent of 3D software. As well as using 2D visuals,

the team can now show clients exactly how their new kitchen or bedroom will look with photorealistic computer-generated images.

The starting point with clients is, quite simply, getting to know them, said Ella. 'We ask clients what styles they like, how they want to use the space – for example, they may have a large family, pets or need a dining area or an entertaining space.'

Popular items to include in modern kitchens include a breakfast station, integrated recycling and rubbish bins (important in Guernsey where there is a high rate of recycling), a counter-top venting hob and a 'Quooker' boiling water tap. Delivering hot, cold, and boiling water, the Quooker Cube also provides chilled, filtered, still, and sparkling water. It's environmentally-friendly, safe and cost effective, and is one less thing on the worktop.

Ethan, the apprentice kitchen fitter,

works closely with the design team to ensure that everything is in the correct place. 'It's great working alongside our very experienced kitchen fitters and being part of a team,' he said. 'It's hugely satisfying to see the end result.'

Asked whether it was easier to work to a brief or be given a completely free hand, Ella and Ben said that they enjoyed both equally. 'Most people, though, do have an idea of what they want when they come in for an appointment so that we can show them brochures and look at materials for work tops, door styles and so on,' said Ella.

Both agreed that a small kitchen is often more challenging than a large empty space as it's our job to make it work as efficiently as possible.

'What we really like about working with Sandra is that we look after the clients all the way through the project, from design to completion.





LOCATE GUERNSEY REFLECTS  
ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE THE BAILIWICK OFFERS

# RELOCATE TO A SPECIAL PLACE

Locate Guernsey is hosting the inaugural 'Relocate to Guernsey Show' in London, and shares the many reasons why moving to the island is desirable.

Guernsey has long been a destination chosen by those wanting a safe, hospitable, and stunningly beautiful environment in which to make a home. As one recent relocater remarked, 'if we'd have known how special it was, we'd have come sooner!'

Guernsey is well known as a global finance centre with an attractive tax regime. Income tax is levied at a flat rate of 20%, and residents are not subject to inheritance tax or capital gains tax. However, while the island might initially be considered by people who are about to sell a business, or make a

significant capital gain, the warmer climate, a home by the sea in a British environment along with the superb quality of life that the island offers, is a big draw. One of Guernsey's big selling points is the ease with which it is possible to make a home here. The creation of the island's Open Market category of housing, in the post-war years, was seen as a means of enabling people who did not have familial connections to make a home here and this system continues to offer opportunities for new residents and businesses today.

Locate Guernsey is a government-funded agency and has the great honour of promoting our special island as a destination of choice for both personal and business relocation. The team deals with

many enquiries, providing free and impartial guidance to clients throughout the relocation process and as they settle into island life.

To help potential new residents understand how relatively straightforward it can be to establish themselves in Guernsey, Locate Guernsey will be hosting the inaugural Relocate to Guernsey Show in London on Tuesday 3 October 2023. This one-day event will bring together experts and professionals to help you discover why you should, and how you can, move to the island of Guernsey.

Attendees will be able to meet with exhibitors, listen to seminar sessions led by subject specialists, and speak with recent relocators in our dedicated Ambassador Lounge.

The seminars will include an



LEFT: ST PETER PORT HARBOUR.  
 ABOVE: ENJOYING GOOD FOOD AND FAMILY.  
 RIGHT: RELAXING AT PORT SOIF. ©LOCATE GUERNSEY.

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 AND TRULY MAKE THE MOST OF GUERNSEY'S  
 SUPERB NATURAL BEAUTY, CLEAN FRESH AIR  
 AND PEACEFUL ENVIRONMENT.

introduction to life in Guernsey, provide information about the tax benefits of relocating, along with offering some useful information about our housing market and insights from property experts about what to expect when buying and/or renovating a home.

For those involved in business, there will also be a session in the early afternoon about relocating with a business or establishing a new business in Guernsey – with speakers who have undertaken the move themselves.

The event is designed to be a relaxing and informative occasion for attendees who can drop in at any time throughout the day according to their availability. A light lunch will be served along with refreshments throughout

the day. The day will end with a networking drinks reception.

To find out more about the Relocate to Guernsey Show, and register for your free ticket\*, please go to our dedicated website [www.locateguernsey.com/relocatetoguernseyshow](http://www.locateguernsey.com/relocatetoguernseyshow).

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# A CENTURY OF ART

Sarnia Arts & Crafts Club is celebrating its 100th year with the 'One Brushstroke' digital art community project, as Amanda Eulenkamp found out from its president, Liz Potter.

When the founders of the island's longest-running arts society, Sarnia Arts & Crafts Club, first met, little could they have envisaged how art and design would develop over the next 100 years. The club was founded by then-Bailiff Sir Havilland de Sausmarez and two sisters, Alice and Lillie Von Berg. It held its first exhibition in 1924 at 15, High Street (now part of Creasey's department store), courtesy of club member and talented amateur artist, Victor Creasey.

Fast forward 99 years to 2023, and the launch of the year-long celebration of the club is a community project called 'One Brushstroke'. The project looks back at its beginnings and taking it into the future, which Liz described as 'a kind of digital Guernsey Tapestry'. Fittingly, the project will culminate in an unveiling event at Creasey's department store on 3 June 2024 – the exact location of the very first SA&CC exhibition held 100 years previously.

'It is a huge community project whereby every islander will have the opportunity to add their "one brushstroke" to a digital canvas to make up a piece of artwork which has been created for and by the people of Guernsey,' said Liz. 'It is

a fantastic way to give something back to our island community, commemorate the amazing achievement of having reached 100 years and also to celebrate our long connection with the Creasey family.

'Creasey's have been fantastically supportive of the project – even buying a brand new iPad for us to use for the duration of the project.' Indeed, members of the Creasey family were the first to make their digital brushstrokes.

When Liz and I met, she had fortunately brought the iPad with her so that I could add my digital brushstrokes. I chose a window at Creasey's and a window at Elizabeth College, as both had a personal link. It was great fun and something that I'm pleased to be part of.

The project, which launched in June this year, will run for 12 months, with the club planning to take it all around the island to all the events they attend throughout the summer months. It will then be taken to schools and community groups in order to give as many people as possible the opportunity to take part.

On forming the club, Sir Havilland declared that its purpose would be to 'discover artistic talent in Guernsey which was perhaps hiding its light under a bushel and also to promote fellowship among those of similar tastes'... 100 years on this mission statement remains at the heart of the club.

ABOVE L-R: LADY NEAME AND MRS AJ SHERWILL, WITH MISS LEONIE TROUTEAUD, LOOKING AT THE PICTURES IN THE SARNIA ARTS & CRAFTS EXHIBITION; CREASEYS IN 1922; LIZ POTTER, PRESIDENT OF THE SARNIA ARTS & CRAFTS CLUB.

## ABOUT SARNIA ARTS & CRAFTS CLUB

Formed in 1924, the club is very active, organising a full programme of events each year, many of which are available to non-members as well as members. Local and visiting artists give talks, demonstrations and workshops.

Regular competitions and popular 'have a go workshops' across a variety of mediums are held. The club organises exhibitions of members' work, providing opportunities for sales. There is a weekly painting group where members can get together to paint or craft together, plus monthly club nights.

Further information can be found at [arts.gg/talent/sarnia-arts-crafts-club/](https://arts.gg/talent/sarnia-arts-crafts-club/)





ABOVE: FUKKU'S PORK SHOYU RAMEN.  
RIGHT: SAM WITH THE HOOK TEAM, ABOVE, AND THE FUKKU TEAM, BELOW.

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## HOW JAPANESE CULTURE INFLUENCED THE HOOK & FUKKU

Kaizen is a Japanese concept meaning to seek continual improvement. It's part of their culture to aim to transform any task into an art form and to do each step in the most skilled way possible. This is the methodology local restaurant owner Sam Jarrold infuses into every aspect of the The Hook and Fukku experience.

And it's why the restaurants have become two of Guernsey's most sought after places to eat and drink. The 10-year anniversary of The Hook and one year of Fukku is the ideal opportunity to look back over the years and learn more from Sam about his pursuit for perfection.

### IN THE BEGINNING...

Sam first got into hospitality when he was 14 years old living in Devon. 'I remember I was saving up to buy a pool table so took on a job as a kitchen porter and really enjoyed the liveliness of the kitchen,' he said. A couple years later he moved to Guernsey and continued his passion for working in restaurants.

Along the way, Sam picked up many skills from learning what key components go into a great restaurant to how to manage a team in a busy, high-pressure environment.

It wasn't until he worked in the famous lounge bar at The Farinet Hotel, while on a ski season in Switzerland, that he really got the taste of the global hospitality scene. 'The clientele was much more multicultural, and my colleague and friend hosted a sushi night once a week at the bar. This was when I first discovered my love for sushi.'

These sushi nights sparked inspiration for Sam to explore this food style. He went on trips to New York, San Francisco, and London to experience how Japanese food has been interpreted overseas and learnt a lot about Japanese food and culture. 'The Japanese are very respectful in every aspect of life and take great pride in what they do. Pure sushi is one of the simplest forms of foods, but they master each step, only use the very best ingredients, and consider all senses. I felt really inspired by this and realised Japanese food was something missing in Guernsey.'

### HOOKED ON HOOK

At the time, Sam was concerned that it would be too niche to set up a restaurant serving exclusively sushi in Guernsey. But he was still determined to diversify Guernsey's food offering and so The Hook

was launched - a seafood, sushi, steak, and cocktail restaurant. 'We incorporated sushi with a European style menu, and the option to mix and match the two cuisines became very popular.'

It didn't take long for word to spread about the new restaurant in town, offering stunning views over St Peter Port Harbour, a chilled vibe, yet buzzing with atmosphere and an array of mouth-watering dishes, unique to Guernsey.

However, it's not just about the great tasting food, the drinks needed to match the same quality. Sam has been all over the world tasting wine and he wanted to bring back the very best to the island. 'I have a passion for good wine, so it was key to have a diverse and interesting wine list, offering rare grape varieties. Working with local suppliers and wine merchants we'd met on trips overseas, we developed a wine list to offer great pairings for our cuisine. Grapes like Riesling, a wine that I love, had rarely been seen on Guernsey lists, but the dry styles complemented our food beautifully.'

### OVERCOMING CHALLENGES

'Running any business is a challenge but add to the mix Brexit, Covid and

the cost-of-living crisis and you have no choice but to quickly adapt to keep your business afloat.'

Dining frequency dropped, people worked from home more often, meetings were held virtually, the cost of goods increased, consumers became more aware of their spending habits, and recruitment got a lot more complicated.

'It was important to us to ensure we kept everyone employed during Covid. However, the uncertainty of the pandemic caused many of our workers to go back to their home countries. This coupled with the knock-on effect of Brexit, led to the hospitality industry in Guernsey employing a lot more people from further afield.' Now around 50% of those that work in the hospitality industry in Guernsey are Asian and African, compared to nearly 90% being European just five years ago.

Throughout adapting to these big industry changes, Sam kept his kaizen methodology and never sacrificed quality. They reintroduced the set price lunch menu, created lockdown recipes, launched a takeaway app, and turned challenges into opportunities. And it was while on a trip to Japan that Sam was inspired to launch Fukku.

### FIXED ON FUKKU

With consumer habits changing and Guernsey becoming a much more multicultural place to live, Fukku was launched in 2022 to offer a broader range of Japanese dishes. Fukku, which means 'hooked on' in Japanese, is a bow to the humble Izakayas. Nestled into the Commercial Arcade in town, it aims to offer a more casual and everyday Japanese experience. And it doesn't disappoint; the dishes, which include octopus balls, poke bowls, sushi, tempura and more, are healthy, fresh, fast, zingy, salty, spicy, crunchy, and play on all the senses.

This year Fast Fukku was also introduced, so you can get your Fukku fix even quicker. It's the super convenient way to enjoy the fresh taste of Tokyo on the go, with no pre-ordering required - perfect for busy days or eating out and about.

'It's a dream come true for us to open Fukku. It's the place to

go to treat yourself to authentic Japanese-inspired food and drink.'

### FINEST INGREDIENTS

The ingredients that go into creating the delicious flavours are mostly sourced locally. 'We work with some fantastic local suppliers - Grow, KTea Kombucha, Surf & Turf, Forest Stores Butchers, Hilary and David Curtis in Sark and directly with Guernsey fisherman.'

The Soil Farm, a new local organisation, is another supplier they have recently started working with. All their produce is organic and grown using biodiverse farming techniques.

'While we buy locally where we can, we do get some specific authentic Japanese products from London and some of our beef is from the highly renowned artisan butchers Macduff in Scotland. They deal directly with farmers, so we know exactly where our beef comes from.'

The breads and sauces are also freshly made on site, all from scratch, by their highly trained chefs.

### THE BEST IN THE BUSINESS

Behind the delicious dishes is years of training and dedication from The Hook and Fukku chefs.

'It's fantastic to have such talented chefs at our restaurants. Our food has never tasted better thanks to their enthusiasm and skills.'

Every aspect of the restaurants have been carefully thought through and it shows. But don't just take our word for it, book your next meal at The Hook or Fukku, whether it's dining in or takeaway, and see for yourself.



#### JOSH - À LA CARTE HEAD CHEF, THE HOOK

**Length of service:** Three years

**Favourite dish:** A proper chicken kebab

**Fact:** He combines his culinary expertise and passion for local produce to present a unique offering.



#### KHALED - HEAD SUSHI CHEF, THE HOOK

**Length of service:** 10 years

**Favourite dish:** Chicken liver yakitori

**Fact:** He trained at the Four Seasons under a Japanese sushi master in Cairo, Egypt where he learnt exceptional knife skills.



#### PIOTR - FUKKU HEAD CHEF

**Length of service:** One year at Fukku (previously 18 months at The Hook)

**Favourite dish:** Pasta

**Fact:** Pasta enthusiast and ramen pro. Piotr has 15 years' experience under his belt.



THE HOOK'S OMAKASE  
(CHEF'S SELECTION) PLATTER

A photograph of a young couple with dark skin and curly hair, laughing heartily while sitting on a light blue sofa. The woman is in the foreground, wearing a white t-shirt, and the man is behind her, wearing a dark blue t-shirt. A modern desk lamp is visible in the background, casting a warm glow.

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# ROUND UP

The NatWest International Island Games 2023, held in Guernsey over a week in July, was the perfect opportunity for teams from other islands to come over and compete in the friendly games. Competition was fierce and the atmosphere was electric, from the opening ceremony right through to the closing one. On competition days, crowds flocked to all the sporting venues to cheer on the Guernsey athletes. After a wonderful sporting week, Guernsey topped the medals table. The next Island Games will take place in Orkney in 2025.

Guernsey Press photographers were out and about snapping some of the most memorable moments of the week...

IMAGES CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT:

SHOOTING AT CHOUET; WOMEN'S CYCLING ROAD RACE AROUND ST PETERS; MENS BASKETBALL ACTION AT BEAU SEJOUR, GUERNSEY VS CAYMAN; TABLE TENNIS ACTION, ALICE EDWARDS (GUERNSEY); INDOOR BOWLS, ALISON MERRIEN (GUERNSEY); MEN'S MOUNTAIN BIKE CROSS COUNTRY AT L'ANCRESSE; ATHLETICS 4X400M RELAY. L-R- CAMERON CHALMERS, PETER CURTIS, JOSH DUKE AND ALASTAIR CHALMERS; LADIES TENNIS SINGLES FINAL. GUERNSEY (LAUREN WATSON-STEELE); THE TRIATHLON AT L'EREE. MEN'S RACE WINNER JOSH LEWIS (GUERNSEY); OPENING CEREMONY AT NORTH BEACH.

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SYLVANS PLAYERS ENJOYING FRUIT SKEWERS FROM THE CLUB'S CANTEEN.

# FOOD4SPORT: SUPPORTING SPORTS CLUBS TO MAKE HEALTHIER CHOICES

THE HEALTH IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION'S LATEST CAMPAIGN IS DESIGNED TO PROMOTE HEALTH AND WELLBEING AMONG GUERNSEY'S THRIVING SPORTING COMMUNITY.

Encouraging children to eat healthily is something that all parents no doubt aim for.

However, day-to-day life can be busy and there is often the temptation to provide less nutritious food than we should. The same applies to adults, too – after all, who hasn't reached for a sugary snack when a fruit kebab would deliver so much more?

Enter the Health Improvement Commission, whose mission is to empower, enable and encourage healthy living in Guernsey and Alderney. This it does through its four pillars: Eat Well, Healthier Weight, Be Active and Substance Use.

Its latest campaign – launched in the run up to the 2023 Island Games – is targeted directly at sports clubs, providing guidance and advice for healthier eating. All clubs, big or small, can get involved, whether they have a small tuck shop run by volunteers, a vending machine, or a full-service restaurant and bar.

'Sports clubs play a fantastic role in helping people to be active and feel connected to their local

community,' said Tanya Dorrity, the Health Improvement Commission's Eat Well Specialist, who has also taken the campaign out to primary schools. 'As well as being places to share a passion for sport, grassroots clubs play an influential role in their members' health and wellbeing – both on and off the field.

'We know that for some people, food is a big part of the sport experience, so our aim is not to lose this tradition, but rather help clubs make subtle changes to improve the nutritional value of their offering – for example, 50/50 wholemeal rolls, high-quality lean meat, and low salt and sugar ketchup.'

Tanya said that the Commission had looked to Australia for much of its guidance, and had adapted work done there into its toolkit, the Healthy Clubs Canteen Toolkit, which is packed with resources and information to kick-start sports clubs' Food4Sport journey. Many of the resources in the toolkit are based on the latest evidence and have been trialled by global experts.

One club that has started its journey to healthier eating is football club

Sylvans. With guidance from the Food4Sport toolkit, the Club has made small changes to its clubhouse canteen to help its members stay fit and well, including the introduction of homemade soup and fruit skewers for the players and spectators.

Di Simon, club volunteer at Sylvans said, 'We appreciate the support the Commission has given us; it has been really helpful in making positive changes to our offering. Our members are enjoying the new food choices. I would encourage all other clubs to get involved in this great initiative.'

*For further information about Food 4 Sport, see the Commission's website, or contact Tanya directly at [Tanya.Dorrity@healthimprovement.gg](mailto:Tanya.Dorrity@healthimprovement.gg).*





## SEEING THE WORLD IN A DIFFERENT LIGHT

Joni Nettleship, Development Officer at the Association of Guernsey Charities, chats to Amanda Eulenkamp about how volunteering can help to make Guernsey a better place

The recent Island Games saw more than 1,300 people volunteer for various duties. On the back of this, it is the perfect time to highlight why volunteering is important not only for Guernsey but for what it gives back to the person doing the volunteering.

Part of Joni's role is to raise awareness of the role of volunteering. She is getting out and about talking to corporates to help them with their CSR ESG projects, something she describes as 'exciting'.

'Our big push this Autumn is about engaging the community with volunteering and explaining the possibilities that are out there,' she said. Volunteers' Week, an annual celebration of the contribution millions of people make through volunteering in their communities, highlighted the many ways that people could get involved with charities, including volunteering as a career pathway.

'There was one young person who started off doing work experience at a charity and they were subsequently offered a job,' said Joni. 'It's really benefitted them in terms of skills and also the way that they have seen the world

in a different light. Post-Covid, people are seeing that the world is a different place and people are rethinking their lives. I'm really interested in trying to engage the new generation of volunteers.'

Aimed at all members, including young people who may not think they have the experience required, the AGC is putting on free training and information sessions, including what it means to be a board director. Training has also been offered in social media, for which there was a full house. Held at the Digital Greenhouse, who donated their space for free, even the sandwiches were sponsored.

'It's really magical when the community pulls together to make sure that these charitable organisations are strengthened by becoming more skilled in areas that they wouldn't be able to be otherwise. It's great to be able to facilitate that,' said Joni.

Conscious that some people are put off volunteering not only because of the demands on their time as well as recent legislation around charities, Joni suggested that businesses could become service providers to charities.

'Instead of each charity needing its own chair, treasurer, secretary etc, these key roles could be provided by businesses which would help with fulfilling their CSR pledges,' she said. The charity would still have its committee of volunteers who would contribute in other ways.

The Association of Guernsey Charities is itself a charity. Joni – who is the first paid-for member of staff at the AGC – has her salary funded by the Guernsey Community Foundation, while the Social Investment Fund provides funding for a part-time administrator, rent and other core costs.

The role of the AGC is primarily to represent its members. 'We've sent out questionnaires asking the charities what their priorities are,' said Joni. Responses received included more communication with the States on the third sector. The AGC is also arranging regular meetings where the charities can get together and share skills.

Asked how she is enjoying her job, Joni said: 'It's a very exciting new chapter, to really listen to what the members are saying and to drive volunteering forward with the ultimate aim of helping to make Guernsey a better place.'

*The Association of Guernsey Charities is holding a conference in October, with the theme of strengthening our voluntary sector. Alex Farrow, Director of Influencing and Engagement at the NCVO (National Council for Voluntary Organisations) will be speaking. Further details can be found at [charity.org.gg](http://charity.org.gg)*



## CYCLE RIDE FOR SMILE FOR GEORGIE FOUNDATION

A group of about 50 cyclists are embarking on a charity cycle ride across France at the beginning of September, raising money for the Smile for Georgie Foundation. Set up following the death of local woman Georgie Le Prevost, who died in a tragic road traffic accident in the summer of 2017, the purpose of the charity is to make a difference and bring smiles to the people of Guernsey through small acts of kindness.

Over 10 days, the cyclists will cover more than 1,700kms of beautiful



French countryside and up to 16,000m elevation, with options to ascend some of the most iconic French mountains, including Col de L'Isere, Col de Pré, and the legendary Mont Ventoux.

One of the designers of En Voyage, Peter Wilson, is taking part – good luck from all the team!

To find out more and to donate, see [smileforgeorgie.org.gg](http://smileforgeorgie.org.gg)



## EY VOLUNTEERS SUPPORT LOCAL CHARITIES THROUGH CONSERVATION DAYS

More than 50 volunteers from EY took part in conservation days in Guernsey and Jersey to support local not-for-profit, Grow Jersey and charity Société Guernesiaise, with their efforts to protect and preserve the local biodiversity.

The EY team in Guernsey supported Société Guernesiaise by undertaking a seashore survey project. The project's purpose was to assess and record the population of various sea life, monitor non-native species and observe the condition of Guernsey's marine environment. The team also collected rubbish from the beach to help improve the coastal and ocean ecosystem.

Becky Ogier, Education and Conservation Leader at Société Guernesiaise, said: 'Le Société is extremely grateful to EY for donating volunteer hours to carry out a crab survey and beach clean. Crabs are an important

marker of the health of the marine environment and by regularly surveying the population in certain areas we can monitor their health, breeding patterns and the distribution of the various species. Guernsey's sea and shore is a huge part of island life, so beach cleans and shoreline surveys are a great way to benefit our community, as well as our environment.'

Ove Svejstrup, an Assurance Partner at EY in Guernsey, who took part in the Guernsey volunteering day, said: 'Building a better working world and becoming more sustainable is at the forefront of everything we do as a firm. We're delighted to have the opportunity to give back to our local community by supporting Société Guernesiaise with the vital work they are doing to preserve our local natural environment, and to ultimately help drive a more sustainable future across the island.'



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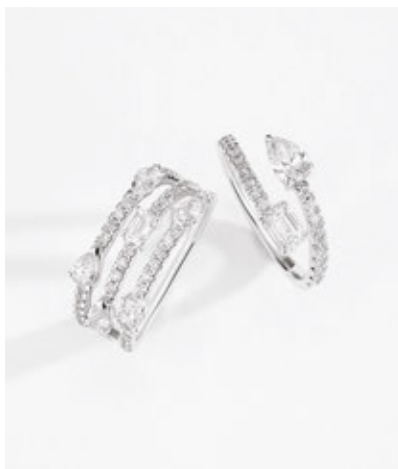
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