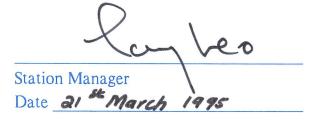


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#### Dear friend,

This is probably not the first time you have heard personally from Radio St. Helena, but in writing to you just weeks after the seventh anniversary of our annual worldwide transmission, I must first of all thank you for your reception report, which I am happy to verify as correct, and I hope the special card which I have enclosed will enhance your collection.

A reply to your SWL Report has been deliberately delayed in order that we could give you an idea of what sort of response we have had following the transmission, and I am glad to say that already reports have reached several hundred, including many who have entered our very simple competition and our CD Lottery. For the very first time we are offering an award for those who have heard our transmission on no less than three occasions and have had their reports confirmed. If you are one of those who qualify, and you have applied for this free award, let me say that it will be forthcoming; they are delayed, but only so that we can have a good idea of numbers before we go to print.

We have also had entries for our CD lottery and we thank you for your support. We will be drawing the winners of the competition and the lottery in June 1998. (Keep your fingers crossed).

This being the first time I have had the opportunity to present this special programme, I am very honoured that so many of you took the opportunity to have a chat "live" on the air, sent E-Mails, faxes, or just called our office to let us know you were listening. Not only was this our sixth broadcast to the world, but it also marked the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Radio St. Helena. It was therefore fitting that for the first time, we had very good propagation to the South East and far Indian and Pacific Ocean areas. Being a Dxer myself (ZD7CTO), I do sympathise with our European listeners who suffered QRM, but it was really great to know that those who woke up during the early hours of the morning to hear the transmission were lucky to have a clear signal.

Special T-shirts have now been printed to mark the 1997 transmissions and our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and already some orders have been received and shirts dispatched. If you haven't ordered yet, but would like to do so, then all you have to do is send cash, a cheque or international money order for the sum of 25 US Dollars or £15 Sterling made payable to Radio St. Helena, stating the size you require, and marking clearly a return address, to Radio St. Helena, Island of St. Helena, South Atlantic Ocean. The same arrangement applies if you are interested in purchasing a Radio St. Helena Day CD. This CD costing 25 US Dollars or £15 Sterling makes a great gift for a DX friend who has not had the pleasure of listening to a worldwide transmission, for your posterity or if you have missed Radio St. Helena day in the past, then this CD contains excerpts from all previous broadcasts it's just great!!!

Our worldwide transmission this year, as in the past, carried an enormous amount of information about the island, its people, its connections and for the first time a link was made with our sister island of Tristan da Cunha, which I know you all appreciated and there are thoughts of getting them more involved in a worldwide transmission, which of course we will let you know about if there are developments.

We do read each of your letters very closely and already we have noted some of the points you have made about the transmission. If there are ideas you have and would like to see them in incorporated in future broadcasts, do not hesitate to write to me at the above address.

Of course, we at Radio St. Helena are all indebted to those persons who made this transmission possible. Thanks are due to those Radio stations and DX magazines who gave us publicity prior to the event, all who contributed to the programme, Cable And Wireless Plc., who provided the short-wave transmitter, the local ham operators, Chris (ZD7H1), Sylvia (ZD7OK), Gilbert (ZD7BG) and Barrie (ZD7MY) who all took part in a Ham Rally prior to the event to promote it with the callsign ZD7RSD (Radio St. Helena Day) and of course grateful thanks to our Swedish connection Jan Tuner, John Ekwall and Lennart Diemert, who have promoted us on the Internet and gone out of their way to keep Radio St. Helena Day a much looked forward to event in the DX world.

Because 1997 was a very special year for Radio St. Helena, John Ekwall and Jan Tuner took the opportunity to visit us to help celebrate 30 years on the 25th of December and before they left, they too were honoured just to say hello

#### Dear DX Friends

Just a short message from the beautiful island of St. Helena from Jan Tuner and John Ekwall visiting the island and the Radio Station for the second time. The 30th year's anniversary was great; have a look at our web page <a href="www.sthelena.se">www.sthelena.se</a> for details. Do have a look at the communications to the island as well – you would love to visit it. People here on the island do appreciate the great interest in the transmission and everybody, including the Governor, is looking forward to the 1998 broadcast. The future of the event is in the hands of the old maritime transmitter of Cable and Wireless. Let us hope it will be alive and kicking for several years yet.

And whilst Jan and John are headed back to Sweden via Tristan da Cunha to make plans for Radio St. Helena Day 1998, we are hoping that you found the last so interesting, that you cannot wait to join us on Saturday the 24th of October 1998 for another special programme from 1900 hrs to 2300 hrs.

Please do look out for us visit our web page at sthelena.se which is loaded with information and watch out for news of Radio St. Helena in those DX magazines. On behalf of the manager and staff of Radio St. Helena, we wish you the very best for 1998.

Our very good wishes.

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Derek Richards

Producer/Presenter, Radio St. Helena Day 1997





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November 1992

Dear Friend

Thank you very much for your reception report of our special "Radio St Helena Day" shortwave transmission of 23rd October 1992. I am happy to verify your report as being correct and enclose our official QSL card, which I hope will take pride of place in your collection.

As predicted, we are having tremendous response to the transmission and since it is not possible to communicate with you all personally, we have put together this newsletter which we hope will answer all the many queries concerning Radio St Helena and our Island in general.

As you already know, we are celebrating 25 years of broadcasting this year - our anniversary actually falls on 25th December 1992 (Christmas Day)! The station is owned and operated by the St Helena Government and transmits in the medium wave band on 1548 KHz, 194 metres. But of course, you heard us on 110925 MHz on 23rd October 1992 and this would not have been possible without the co-operation of our local branch of Cable & Wireless, which received our medium wave broadcasts and retransmitted it to you on shortwave using 1.5 KW. We have a full-time staff of four, including myself, plus a number of voluntary helpers. From 9 am to 5.15 pm Mondays to Fridays, we broadcast a direct relay of programmes from the BBC World Service with our local programmes aired from 5.15 to 10.30 pm and on Saturdays and Sundays our transmission is from 7 to 10.30 pm only. We broadcast a great variety of programmes, catering for all ages and the majority of our programming is compiled locally. However, we also purchase some programmes such as dramas etc from the BBC Transcription Services and receive other material from various other organisations overseas. The station has two fully-equipped studios which can accommodate almost every type of recording and presentation and our transmitter is a Marconi 214 series ex-communications model, built in 1944-45, which was modified for our broadcast use in 1967. The output from this transmitter is 450 watts and this allows our transmission to be heard all over the Island.

Our aim is and has always been, to inform, educate and entertain and we feel that we are doing just that with the small staff, limited funds and resources at our disposal. However, we hope to gradually increase our local output as and when more funds are available and more staff employed.

St Helena, together with the islands of Ascension and Tristan da Cunha form one of the oldest British colonies and whilst Ascension has an airport, the only means of access to St Helena and Tristan is by sea. St Helena is served by the one ship, the RMS St Helena, which operates between Cardiff in England to Cape Town in South Africa calling at Tenerife, Ascension and St Helena enroute and also once a year, calling at our very remote sister island of Tristan da Cunha. We are completely dependent on the RMS St Helena for bringing in foodstuffs, medical supplies, machinery and equipment and just about everything, plus passengers and mail. The Island is in no way self sufficient and all commodities have to be imported. We have no major industries and the only exports are small quantities of fish, coffee, honey and local handicrafts. We therefore depend almost entirely on funding from the British Government.

Our Island however, does have a very interesting history and is probably known most for being the place of Napoleon Bonaparte's final exile in 1815 and his subsequent death here in 1821. The houses in which he lived and his original grave are owned and maintained by the French Government and attract much interest.

You may be interested to know that a total of seventeen people currently hold Amateur Radio Licences on the Island, but of this number only about six of them are active. They are Brian Fowler - ZD7BJ, Patsy Fowler - ZD7XY, Bruce Salt - ZD7VC, Desmond Peters - ZD7DP, Margaret Peters - ZD7EM and Pastor Charles Chalmers - ZD7CRC.

If you are a stamp collector, then the St Helena Post Office (address: Main Street, Jamestown, St Helena), offers some real gems for your collection. Their Philatelic Bureau operates a Standing Order Deposit Account for overseas collectors and at intervals publishes a Stamp Information Leaflet to let you know what is available. You can contact them direct on tel no (290) 2652 or fax no (290) 2242. As a matter of interest, Radio St Helena features on a stamp which is part of an anniversary issue to be released in early December this year.

The Post Office also has on sale a variety of Island maps. These include a land use map for £4.00, a tourist map for £5.00, a large and a small monochrome map which cost £1.00 each, a small (foolscap size) coloured map for £2.00 and an even smaller one of Ascension Island which costs 50p.

For more information about the Island, I suggest you contact Jan Tuner or John Eckwall, who were responsible for setting up our 1990 shortwave transmission and became so interested in the Island, that they made a visit in March of this year and upon their return to Sweden, set up South Atlantic Travel and Trade (SATT), which offers information about St Helena and how to get there, if you're interested. They can be contacted at Box 6014, S-600 06, Norrkoping, Sweden. Jan Tuner's fax no is 64-240-23037 and John Eckwall's number if 46-11-170207. Of course we are also very grateful to Jan and John whose idea it was to have a Radio St Helena Day, thus the broadcast of 23rd October and hopefully again next year!

Before ending, I'd just like to advise all of you who have requested a commemorative T-shirt and who have sent your money, that your shirt will be forwarded to you directly from Sweden - again we are grateful to Jan and John for organising this. For those of you who are interested, but have not ordered one, the T-shirt can be purchased for £12.00 sterling or \$US 22 and is available in sizes XL, L, M or S. Payment can be made by cheque or International Money Order made payable to Radio St Helena and this offer is open only until 31st December 1992. In addition, we/ve been advised by Jan and John that there is also a sweatshirt available which costs \$US 50, £31.00 sterling and if you would like to have one of these, please send the correct money either in cash, cheque or money order as for the T-shirt, printing your name clearly and also indicating the size you require to Radio St Helena and like the T-shirt, the sweatshirt will be despatched to you direct from Sweden.

Finally, let me thank you for participating in our shortwave transmission. It was a really exciting evening for listeners on the Island as well as from all accounts, for listeners in other parts of the world. Being isolated as we are, it was a real thrill to have calls from so many of you, backed up by faxes and letters, stating, so genuinely, how happy you were to have received our broadcast. If radio is the means by which to make so many new friends, then long live radio and long live Radio St Helena.

With all good wishes and happy listening.

Yours very sincerely

Tony Leo

Station Manager





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February 1995

#### Dear Friend,

Thank you for making contact with us following our 1994 Radio St Helena Day worldwide transmission of 14th October. Many months have since passed during which time we have received many reception reports. We are now in the process of checking and verifying these and, of course, those people whose reports coincide with our transmission details are being sent a QSL card. If you're one of those people who also heard our previous transmissions, then the QSL will be another to add to your collection.

For the benefit of first time contacts, here is some information regarding the history of Radio St Helena. The station, which is owned and operated by the St Helena Government, was officially opened on 25th December 1967. In a few years time we will be celebrating our 30th birthday! We operate on a frequency of 1548 KHz, 194 metres in the medium wave band. Our staff consists of four full-time people including myself, plus a number of voluntary producers of programmes. From 9 am to 3 pm, Mondays to Fridays, we relay the BBC World Service programmes; our own local programmes take the air from 3 pm to 10.30 pm. On Saturdays and Sundays our transmission is from 7 to 10.30 pm only. Unfortunately we don't have enough staff to cope with all day broadcasting at weekends as well.

We cater for all ages with a great variety of programmes; the majority of which are compiled locally. However, we also purchase quite a lot of material from the BBC Topical Tapes and Transcription Service. This depends on availability of funds since we have only a small budget allocated to us for this purpose. Any material received from overseas is always welcome, we do pay royalties.

We have two fully equipped studios which can accommodate almost every type of recording and presentation and our transmitter is a "Harris Gates One" with an output of one thousand watts.

Incidentally we have two transmitters which are now collectors items. They are two Marconi 214's Excommunications models built in 1944-1945 and they are still in working order.

There is only one Radio Station operating on the Island, but very soon we should be receiving television via satellite. What effect this will have on radio remains to be seen, but we maintain that there is always a place for radio.

Our aim is to inform, educate and entertain, this has always been our policy and it will always remain. As Station Manager, I honestly believe that our dedicated small staff operating a station on St Helena with very limited funds and resources available at our disposal can match any station in any other part of the world, from its output of programme point of view, which we are proud of.

When you heard us on 14th October 1994, the programme was transmitted on 11.092.5 MHz using a transmitter owned and operated by Cable and Wireless Plc. This is a "REDIFON" transmitter with an output of 1.5 KW. It was manufactured in 1969 and is used approximately four times per month on HF for ship to shore transmissions. Cable and Wireless can also transmit on 10.135 KHz, 6.885 KHz and 3.162 KHz, these frequencies are seldom used. For our special 'round the world' broadcast Cable and Wireless received our medium wave transmission on 1548 KHz and rebroadcast this on 11.092.5 MHz. We have been asked why was the transmission reception in Europe so bad this time. I have no answer to this and can only suggest that it was due to propagation conditions.

Those of you who did not hear the transmission very well can purchase a recording of our 1994 programme from SATT (i.e. South Atlantic Travel and Trade), Box 6014, s-600-06, NORRKÖPING, Sweden. (Fax: 46-11-170207). The recording will cost you \$10 US dollars or £7 pounds sterling.

We are also offering a commemorative T-shirt to anyone who actually heard our transmission. All you need to do is to send us US \$24 or £15 by cheque or money order and SATT will forward your T-shirt on to you.

Please give your name and address clearly. Our address is: Radio St Helena, Jamestown, Island of St Helena, South Atlantic Ocean. (Note our fax no is: 290 4542 and not 290 2598).

For your information, Radio St Helena Day will not be celebrated in 1995. Hopefully we will be on the air in 1996 on 25th October, but confirmation of this will be done through DX magazines and SATT in Sweden.

By all accounts, our worldwide transmission has been appreciated throughout the world regardless of the poor reception in some areas. We have received 1,025 correct reports for 1993 and all reports have been acknowledged. We shall have to wait and see what our mailbag brings forth as a result of our 1994 transmission.

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These two people became so interested in the Island after the first shortwave broadcast in 1990, that they just could not resist visiting the Island a year later in 1991. As a result they returned to Sweden and set up SATT, which offers information about St Helena and what you need to do if you also would like to pay us a visit. Jan Tuner's fax no is: 46 240 23037 and John Eckwall's fax no is: 46 11 170207. In conclusion, I would like to thank you all for your participation in the 1994 event and if you have heard us in previous years then I congratulate you. It was simply rewarding reading your letters and reports. It was also a thrill broadcasting to the world, and have the world call you by phone on the actual radio show.

I am sorry it is not possible to answer each individual letter or comply with each request, but I hope this news letter will suffice.

Don't forget if you require a T-shirt please state size and also send a cheque or international money order, made payable to Radio St Helena. I must also express my gratitude to those of you who entered the lottery, by sending a CD. Within a few months the draw will take place, and you will be notified by letter if you are the winner, so keep your fingers crossed. Good Luck.

From all the staff at Radio St Helena we send you our good wishes. I would like to repeat what I wrote last year: "If radio is the means by which to make so many new friends, then long live radio and long live Radio St Helena".

Happy listening across the miles.

Yours sincerely,

Tony Leo Station Manager





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1 October 1998

Mr Carl Mann 6711 South 139th Avenue Circle

Dear Carl

Having drawn the 1997 Radio Quiz, for which there were 175 correct entries, I am pleased to advise that you have won the first prize in the competition, which is a video on the Island of St Helena.

Because the video is presented in a PAL format, I felt it would be useless to send you it, and I have taken the liberty to have it transferred to the NTSC format which suits the american standard videos. This will be forwarded to you by the transfer company "Capricorn Videos".

We trust that you will enjoy this video which has been recently made by a St Helenian, and we look forward to hearing from you following this years transmission which will take place on the 24 October 1998.

Congratulations and best regards

Derek Richards

Producer and Presenter Radio St Helena Day



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17<sup>th</sup> September 1999

#### My Dear Radio Friend

Time moves on and you were lucky to receive our World Wide transmission in October 1998, as many short-wave listeners tried their utmost to tune in but to no avail.

As producer of that transmission I thoroughly enjoyed making contact with a lot of you who took the opportunity of phoning me.

I must apologise for the delay in acknowledging your report and there is a possibility that the 1999 World-Wide Transmission will be over by the time you receive this letter and card.

For your information, we can confirm that just over 300 correct reports were received for last year's broadcast which is a drop in number to the previous year. This could mean that lots of short wave listeners have already received previous transmissions and have received a QSL, or conditions were such that they could not receive Radio St. Helena.

All staff involved in this transmission sincerely appreciate your comments on the programme and as a result we have made many friends throughout the world. Since 1990, the start of our world-wide Transmission, we have collected many hundreds of post cards and other items which are on display throughout the Station. However the sad news is that the 1999 Transmission could well be the last one for a while. We are told that the Transmitter used for this purpose, which is owned and operated by Cable & Wireless PLC is so old that it is now obsolete and they must dispose of it. This transmitter is seldom used, and for the past few years they have kept it in service mainly for these World-Wide Transmissions but like everything else, there is a time for upgrading and Cable & Wireless are doing just that.

As there is no replacement that will do the job, and Radio St. Helena is not in a position to install this old transmitter, Cable & Wireless will dispose of this as soon as the 1999 transmission from Radio St. Helena is completed. This is very sad, but the good news is that the St. Helena Government is about to seek a replacement from somewhere.

Once again, let me thank those of you who phoned me during the transmission, for all your good wishes, photographs and postcards and Radio St. Helena hope that you will remember to join us on 11.092.5 kHz at 1900 hrs GMT on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

You might be interested to learn that the winners of the Competition are: Mickey Delmage of Canada who won First prize, Michael Eno's of USA won Second prize and Joe Pugitt of Florida was the third winner. For the Lottery which we received 26 Compact Discs, Josef Zimmermann of Germany was the first prize winner, Rudolf Krumm from Germany was the second and the third winner is Michael Menx of Germany. Their prizes are now being posted.

If you wish to catch up on the latest details concerning the 1999 world-wide Transmission, then you can check our Web page www.sthelena.se

You might notice that this letter is written generally as I find it impossible to answer your reports individually although some of you have asked questions that really deserves individual answers, please forgive me.

All being well, I hope you will have good reception for October's transmission.

The very best of luck from all of us at Radio St. Helena.

Yours sincerely

Ralph Peters

Presenter, Worldwide Transmission 1998.

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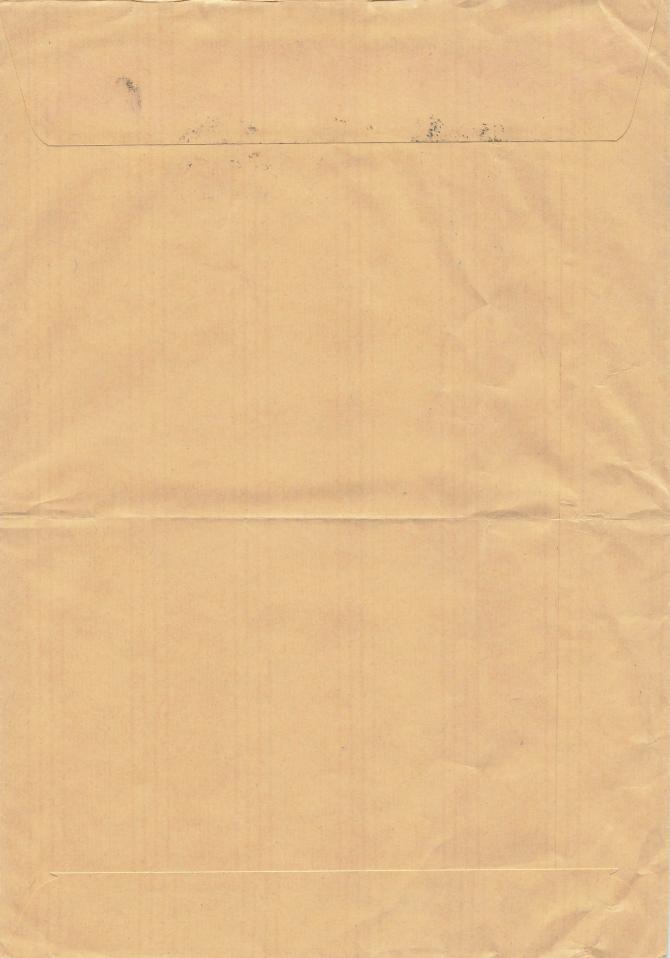
This may be the last time I write a piece concerning our Worldwide Transmission for the Radio St. Helena Web Page.

It is rather sad but true that on 23rd October 1999 Radio St. Helena will broadcast to the world for the last time. The story behind this is that the company who owns the Transmitter that is used for our shortwave broadcasts, Cable & Wireless PLC, stationed at the Briars, St. Helena, has decided to dispose of this particular piece of equipment because of its age and the unavailability of spare parts. It is being replaced by a small transceiver to operate at a short distance and cannot be used for the same purpose of transmitting to the world.



All of us are deeply sorry that these transmissions have come to an end so soon, but it just had to happen. We have heard screams from regular listeners who have testified that they will drum up support to purchase a new Transmitter and have it placed on St. Helena especially for the purpose of transmitting once per year. If this is the case then I wish them the very best of luck.

As Station Manager I can truthfully say that I have thoroughly enjoyed broadcasting, speaking to you in person on the telephone during the phone-ins and generally giving a hand where its needed on the busy nights of past transmissions. Since the start of these broadcasts, we have always celebrated at the end of the evening



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