



STATES OF ALDERNEY

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From the President's Office

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Alderney Week Team 2020
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Dear Ronnie, Ilona, Lee, Nigel, Donald and Sam,

On behalf of the States of Alderney, may I extend our deep gratitude to you all for delivering a truly “home grown” Alderney Week.

Little did we think in those dark days of March and April that we would be congregating on the Butes on Cavalcade Day, to enjoy an event that rivalled any previous offering. In saying that I intend no disrespect to all those committed folk who have delivered an amazing event annually over the years.

Never before can organizing and delivering an Alderney Week have presented such a level of challenge. It would have been only too easy to sit back and say that it was all too much to contemplate. That is not and never will be the Alderney way.

What we have demonstrated to the outside world in responding to the Covid crisis, is that we are a tightly knit group of very special people who put the good of the Island before our personal lives.

We should have never have doubted the success of the project. With Ronnie at the helm it was never going to fail. Whilst huge credit goes to Ronnie and his team, we also salute each and every one of our community who rose to the challenge, made a contribution of their time and energy and made the event such a stellar success. The fact that everything was provided from and in the community only went to strengthen the bonds that bind us together.

Inviting Dr Brink to be the guest of Honourable was inspired. Not only did it provide an opportunity for us to express our gratitude to her and all her team, but hopefully reassured the members of the community that were understandably anxious, that she was satisfied that Alderney Week could go ahead.

Hopefully the efforts of the “old timers”, with one young Member who helped to bring down the average age (in the nicest possible way) will inspire a new generation to step up to the plate and continue to provide what is the apex of our tourist season.

Finally thank you for providing the entertainment for our countless new friends from within the Bailiwick. A very important investment which I am sure will provide dividends in the future.

When in years to come we look back on the events of the last 6 months, what will shine through is the “Alderney Spirit” that we are all so proud to be a part of. It will never dim.

Hats off to you all,

Kind regards,

William Tate
President