

Fra Brettel Reaps a Rich Harvest



August has once again been a busy month at the Fra Brettel Vineyard. The dedication displayed by farmer Joseph Camilleri this year has been boosted by frequent strong winds, which kept diseases away. As a result, the yield has been a good one indeed, characterised by firm colourful grapes attached to green and flexible stems: proof that they have been picked at their best.

From grape-picking to bottling

Despite the surge in the use of technology, at Fra Brettel, grapes are still handpicked. This method ensures gentle harvesting and an intelligent differentiation between good and bad bunches. This is the right practice to spare the vine any unnecessary harm that automated harvesters cause when dropping the bunches on to the conveyor belt. All the bottles of wine produced from the harvested grapes will be carrying the Protected Designation of Origin label, commonly known in Malta as the Denominazzjoni ta' Orignini Kontrollata (D.O.K). This label obliges all those involved to ensure that the wine truly derives from Malta and has a particular standard quality influenced by the climate of our country. Fra Brettel is once again proud to have successfully abided by the regulations as set out in the scheme.



Famalco Welcomes another Member to its Family



FACTUM
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Launched in July 2016, Factum Advisory offers professional advice and consultancy services to individuals wishing to take advantage of the Residency and Citizenship by Investment Schemes.

Factum Advisory also offers property management services, corporate solutions and European Union Affairs consultancy. By maintaining close relations with various local and foreign businesses, Factum Advisory keeps on diversifying and widening its method of operation. Through tapping into its knowledge in entrepreneurship, it manages to take its service to a higher level, especially by providing professional, personal and exclusive recommendations to all its customers.

Factum Advisory has obtained all the accreditations necessary to carry out such procedures; it is authorised by Identity Malta to assist individuals in the application procedure under the



Malta Individual Investor Programme (IIP) and the Malta Residence and Visa Programme (MRVP).

Factum Advisory forms part of the Famalco Group of Companies, which since its incorporation in 1994 has been continuously in pursuit of expanding its services. Factum Advisory is Famalco's innovative opportunity to provide premium consultancy service to a worldwide audience.

Keeping in Touch is the monthly newsletter of Famalco Group

Human Resources Notice Board

Birthdays in September

Reuben Attard	2nd
Christopher Cuschieri	4th
Shirley Costigan	7th
Josianne Galea	7th
Simon Darmanin	10th
Clayton Bellia	10th
Dragan Slijepcevic	10th
Melissa Micallef	11th
Adrian Galea	14th
Russell Schembri	16th
Martin Schembri	17th
Shawn Micallef	17th
Robert Busuttill	17th
Patrick Charles Falzon	21st
Emanuel Coleiro	24th
Joseph Borg	26th
Michael Agius	29th

Harley Owners Ride in Aid of Puttinu Cares



On August 6th H.O.G.® Malta participated in *Maġġija Sajf*, an event for the whole family filled with crafts, rides, and entertainment organised by the Kalkara Local Council. All proceeds went to Puttinu Cares.

Following the invite from Puttinu Cares itself, H.O.G.® Malta gladly included *Maġġija Sajf* in its event calendar. Together with other Maltese Motor Clubs it took part in a motorcycle ride and showcase. Following the Ride in Aid of Hospice Malta, the one in Aid of Puttinu Cares demonstrates how H.O.G.® Malta embraces philanthropy. The event was promoted among all members of the organisation and a Facebook Event was set up specifically for the purpose.

At Smart City all motorcyclists spontaneously took a group photo all together as a symbol of solidarity. They collected the sum of €300 which was later presented by the directors of each group. Afterwards, all the bikers rode together to Kalkara centre with H.O.G.® Malta's Director Julian Calleja leading the whole group of bikers. Whilst the motorcycles were parked in one of the major roads, contestants for the Miss Universe Malta 2016 joined the bikers and enjoyed some spontaneous photography with the bikes.



Quote of the Month

"Defeat is not the worst of failures. Not to have tried is the true failure."

George Edward Woodberry

Recruits in August 2016



Mario Psaila-Savona
Fulani Properties Ltd.
General Manager for C21



Vanessa Bugeja
Administration Clerk
Finance



Luke Mallia
Cashier / Accounts Clerk
Finance



Ayrton Psaila
Administration Clerk
Famalco Group



Christian Roger Marlin
Local Trailer Driver
Fahrenheit Freight
Forwarders Co. Ltd.



Ronald Cutajar
Excavator Operator
Faceworks Ltd.



Gary Muscat
Warehouse & Delivery Person
Fruitland Co. Ltd.



Bettina Galea
Company Receptionist
Famalco Group



Lee Bromidge
Distribution & Delivery Person
Fahrenheit Freight
Forwarders Co. Ltd.



Jan Azzopardi
Excavator Operator
Faceworks Ltd.



Clifford Jo Zahra
Copywriter, Content
Manager & Editor
Focused Knowledge Ltd.

Health Tip...

Look Away – sounds like a very simple thing to do, doesn't it? Did you know that looking away from your screen every few minutes can do wonders for your eyesight? Our eyes need a break from the screen from time to time, so make sure to lay your gaze on something else sometimes.



Famalco Goes To Sea

As summer hits a high point, the Directors at Famalco Group treat the staff to a day out on the water. With a fleet of motor yacht, speed boat and jet skis, the team of Famalco were guaranteed to have an excellent day on the water. With calm seas and clear skies the employees were treated to a day to remember.



From the Famalco Family

I joined the Famalco Group after I found myself stagnant in my previous job. I had decided that I needed something a bit more challenging, and then I found Famalco.

My first job was in banking as a bank clerk; I mainly worked in the foreign exchange department but I also handled lending advances for both personal and corporate matters.

The best part of my job is the satisfaction I get when a target is reached and a job well done is achieved thanks to a great team that goes out of its way to make your day easier.

The worst part of my job is definitely the frustration that accompanies unexpected problems; our job depends on others, so such matters are likely to arise.

When I was a child I wanted to grow up to be a Mechanical Engineer, but due to the curve balls that life throws at you, I had to put that dream aside.

If I were to join another Famalco company it would be a new one that has yet to establish itself in the industry; I love project planning and managing operations.

When I am not at work I relax by cooking- any time, the more unusual the ingredients, the more fun I will have.

A perfect day for me is one where everything goes according to plan; one where you are acknowledged and feel appreciated for what you are doing.

My ultimate dream is to retire in an exotic location, somewhere relaxing where summer never leaves its shores.

I am happy when I feel I have achieved something or that I have successfully done something new.

If I knew I was dying tomorrow I would fly to the nearest exotic destination and enjoy my last day relaxing on some sandy beach, sipping nice cocktails and enjoying good food.

3 items on my bucket list are finding a better home, get my MBA and visit Antarctica.

If I could have a coffee with anyone, dead or alive it would be Richard Branson; he built his empire from nothing and has an insight into business that I would be lucky to get a tiny glimpse of.



Maryrose Baldacchino
Assistant Financial Controller
Accounts Department

My favourite food is steak with roast potatoes.

Something that many people don't know about me is that I was not always as outgoing as I am today; I had to do lots of work on myself but now I am confident with who I am and what I know.

If I had a superpower it would be to eliminate all hate; I truly believe that hate is the root of all evil.

If I could go anywhere in the world I would either go to the far south or to the far north; my aim is to visit all four corners of the world. Two down. Two to go.

Famalco Website Gets a Makeover

Famalco Group has recently launched its new website, a showcase of the Group's impressive vast and ever-growing portfolio of companies on a digital platform.

The website had a total makeover, with content completely rewritten, photographs taken specifically for its purpose and all necessary updates made.

The website features sections with detailed service biography of all the companies within the Group, as well as a regularly updated section entirely dedicated to the press releases about the Group. The landing page is made up of company members' photographs; this choice was made with the goal of giving each company a familiar face. Updates will be regularly made to the website to ensure that the Company keeps up to date with all current changes occurring in the industry, throughout all possible platforms.

Website can be accessed through - www.Famalco.Net

