

NORTH, David, MBIM

Personal details

B 22 March 1942, Bradford; *s* of Jack and Irene North of Glen Vine; *m* (1964) Julia Helen (nee Plumpton) of Bury St Edmunds; *2 s*.

Education and qualifications

Marown and Murray's Road Junior, Douglas High School for Boys.

Career

British Commonwealth Shipping Co, Junior Navigating Officer - Clan Line, Deputy Purser - Union Castle Line 1958-64, Sani-Pass Hotel, S Africa A/Manager 1964-66; Chrysler International (South Africa) - Communications and Internal Affairs Officer/Editor "Pentastar" Monthly 1966-68, Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Co, (JCI) - Group Public Relations & Advertising Manager 1968-73; returned Isle of Man 1973; John North Ltd - Managing Director 1973-79, J Smylie & Sons Managing Director 1975-79, founded House & Home Ltd - *Chairman* 1979-98; "Financial Times" Isle of Man correspondent 1973-79.



Local Authorities, Public Bodies, charities etc

Member Noble's Hospital Administration Committee 1980-87, Medical Practices Committee 1982-89, Tourist Advisory Panel 1987-88. *Chairman* Manx Foundation for Physically Disabled 1975-79, Salvation Army, Isle of Man Community Services Committee 1979-84, Marown Parish Community Care 1984-date, Kevin Gray Memorial Trust (Hyperbaric Chamber) 1987-94; *Chairman* Salvation Army Isle of Man Advisory Council 1979-date, Council Isle of Man Chamber of Commerce 1986-96.

Member Steering Group, Alliance of Maritime Interests in Europe (AMRIE) 1993-01; *Chairman* Specialist Working Group on Shipping Quality 1993-2001; *Chairman* Warsash Maritime Centre Research Project on Recruitment, Selection and Retention of Seafarers 1999-2001.

Parliamentary Career

MHK (*Middle*) by-election 1988-2001 (*Ind*).

Government posts: *Minister* for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry 1989-91, Highways, Ports and Properties 1991-94, Transport 1995-96, Trade and Industry 1996-2001; *Member* Department of Highways, Ports & Properties 1988-89, Department of Education 1988-89, Chronically Sick & Disabled Persons Committee 1988-91; Whitley Council 1997-2001.

Committees of Tynwald: Tynwald Management Committee 1992-96.

Executive Council Committees: Economic 1989-90, Social Issues 1991-96.

Council of Ministers' Committees: Shipping 1992-2001. Economic 1997-2001, MNEDC 1996-2001, Tax Benefits, E-Commerce Committee 2000-01.

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

Attended CPA Plenary Conference Zimbabwe 1990.

Interests

Music, guitar, bowls.