

# The Brida Journal

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## Saving is Life

*Steven Revelian, CEO of the Karudeca NGO spoke with Frank Peters.*

Many people know that October 31, is World Savings Day. It was started almost 100 years ago during the 1st. International Savings Bank Congress in Milan. The purpose was, and still is, to inform that saving money, and in banks, might be a better alternative than hiding it under the mattress.

A lot has happened since 1924: hyperinflation in Germany, the great Depression of 1929 / 1930, many wars both hot and cold, credit cards, easy loans, a financial crisis in 2008 and now, a pandemic with far reaching economic consequences. One could be forgiven that perhaps banks and banking are viewed a little critically. But it is not the concept of a bank which is problematic, it is the people who misuse this concept who are at fault. So, it is refreshing that with all the negativity around us, we can learn how should be done. The human side of financial management.

Steven Revelian, CEO of the Karudeca NGO in Tanzania, and I had a refreshing conversation earlier this week. As Steven said, "We are not really a poor country, it's just learning to manage the resources." Managing requires education. Education starts at home and continues in schools and learning never stops. Here is what Steven's NGO did in 2017.

A proper project management structure was set up. There were three goals: increasing financial knowledge, promoting financial inclusion and strengthening partner institutions. In the first phase of the project, during mid-September, ideas were gathered, budgets and partnerships organized, and an action plan written.

Four weeks later, in the second half of October, the plan was rolled out, raising public awareness, and increasing knowledge about how money works and creating a so-called "peak event".

Finally, two weeks after that, the project was evaluated, and a final report was written to close the project.

An NGO needs support. It came from Germany, in the form of the "Sparkassenstiftung für Internationale Kooperation" and the "TBP Bank", Tanzania's Postal Bank. Together they visited 11 schools to inform children, teachers, and parents on the importance of saving. They went to the local community radio station in Karagwe.

The highlight was the "peak event" at the Kayanga Football Ground. A large event was staged, the children performing, a local well-known musician came.

The event was a success. The "international" project team consisted of 12 people. These twelve people reached out to 11 schools. Thirty-three teachers participated and around 1000 people attended the event. Some 60 students used their creativity to inform about saving. Some 1100 exercise books, 1000 pencils, 400 notebooks were distributed along with 400 T-Shirts and 50 Polo shirts and 155 people opened bank accounts.

All that will have been used now, but something remains. It created the foundation on which to build. Continue increasing public awareness, more media coverage, perhaps founding a Financial Education Academy. And the optimism, that with managing financial resources responsibly, poverty will eventually be overcome.

Observing and pragmatic planning, on a local scale can produce far reaching results. In Tanzania, in Europe after a pandemic, anywhere anytime.

There are many projects that Steven is involved in. No doubt, our conversations will continue.

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# Research Chemist

We recently had an opening for entry level position for Quality Chemist/Research Chemist/Technician.

## **Minimum Requirements**

Experience

- Lab work as Chemist

## **Training/Education**

- Bachelor's or master's degree in chemistry
- Must have working-level knowledge of the English language, including reading, writing and speaking

## **Knowledge of**

- Profound knowledge of chemistry, laboratory operations and methods of analysis.
- Operation and/or technical knowledge of major chemical instruments, including. HPLC, GC, MS, FTIR, etc.
- Basic knowledge of quality control regulated operations (Optional)

## **Skills**

- Communication skill
- Organizing skills and attention to detail
- Being able to work under supervision and independently.
- Being punctual and accurate.
- Computer literacy in Word, Excel, Access.

This is a Full or Part Time position with possible Full Time.  
Contact Brida Job Centre, Reference 06/4596

# Mowing your lawn



By Farmer Giles

At this time of year, the lawn is actively growing and requires feeding, moss-killing, weeding and regular mowing. Spring is also a suitable time to over-seed sparse areas.

All lawns need feeding in order to maintain vigour. When feeding, look out for signs of pest or disease and apply moss killer if required. Regular maintenance is the best way to approach a lawn and may avoid the need for renovation later on.

Over winter, the lawn does not grow much, but once the weather warms up in early spring, you can start mowing, and this is also a good time to over-seed any areas damaged over winter.

## **Mowing**

This is the most obvious (and one of the most important) maintenance task over spring and summer. Mowing regularly keeps the lawn in good health.

## **Killing moss**

Moss is a problem in damp, poorly drained lawns. Spring is a good time to remedy moss problems.

## **Feeding**

In mid-spring (often late March to April), use a proprietary spring or summer lawn fertiliser at the manufacturer's recommended rates. Feeding the lawn will increase vigour and help prevent weeds and moss from establishing. Apply fertilisers when the soil is moist, or when rain is expected.

## **Watering**

Even if lawns turn brown and dry over summer, they usually recover well when rains return. Watering is usually not necessary over summer.

If you do have to water the lawn and maintain a green sward, water when the soil becomes dry, but before the grass turns yellow or brown. If the ground is very hard, aerate it by spiking with a garden fork before watering, to aid water penetration.

Watering once a week to every 10 days is normally sufficient. Ensure that the water reaches a depth of 10cm after each watering. In the middle of summer 1 sq. m (1 sq. yd) needs about 20-litres (5 gallons) every seven days

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## Bacon, pea and goat's cheese salad

### Ingredients

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12 rashers goat bacon</li> <li>• 200g sugar snap peas</li> <li>• 250g fresh (or frozen) shelled peas</li> <li>• 4 big handfuls pea shoots</li> <li>• 125g fresh goat's cheese or goat's curd</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 tsp dijon mustard</li> <li>• Finely grated zest and juice 1 lemon</li> <li>• 100ml extra-virgin olive oil, plus an extra splash</li> <li>• 25g fresh goat's cheese or goat's curd</li> <li>• 1 small banana shallot, peeled and finely sliced</li> <li>• 30 fresh mint leaves, finely shredded, plus a few extra for sprinkling</li> <li>• 4 bushy fresh tarragon sprigs, leaves picked and roughly chopped</li> </ul>
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1. Arrange the bacon rashers in a single layer in a roasting tray, put in a cold oven and set the heat to 200°C/180°C fan/gas 6. Cook for 15-20 minutes until crisp and golden. Remove and drain on kitchen paper (alternatively, fry slowly in a large frying pan).
2. Bring a pan of salted water to the boil and cook the sugar snaps and peas for about 2 minutes until just tender. Drain and tip into a bowl of cold water to cool, then drain again.
3. For the dressing, put the mustard in a small mixing bowl with the lemon zest and juice. Slowly whisk in the olive oil until the mixture thickens and emulsifies. Finally, whisk in the 25g goat's cheese/curd to make a creamy dressing. Season well with salt and pepper, then stir in the sliced shallot and herbs.
4. Lightly toss the drained sugar snaps and peas with the pea shoots and pile onto a serving platter (or divide among 4 plates). Pour over a little of the dressing.
5. Dot the 125g goat's cheese/curd over the top, then tear each rasher of bacon into a few pieces and scatter over the salad. Add a few mint leaves, a splash of olive oil and serve with the remaining dressing.

# Brida Local



## 1 €uro =

145.10	Algerian Dinars (DZD)
1.636	Australian dollars (AUD)
1.904	Azerbaijan Manats (AZN)
6.024	Brazilian Real (BRL)
1.524	Canadian dollars (CAD)
655.95	CFA (Senegal)
119.82	Japanese yen, (JPY)
0.902	Pounds Sterling (GBP)
574.94	Syrian Pounds (SYP)
1.065	Swiss francs (CHF)
7.688	Turkish Lire (TRY)
2594.47	Tanzanian Shillings (TZS)
4.115	UAE Dirhams (AED)
1.120	US Dollars (USD)

**June 22, 2019:** Lamb, Harissa and Feta burgers

**June 23, 2019:** Pork and ricotta meatballs with tagliatelle

**June 24, 2020:** Sweet potato, chickpea and feta salad with tahini..

**June 25, 2020:** Crisp -skinned chicken breast with salsa verde.

**June 26, 2020:** Salmon with spring vegetables

Only €9.50 - €11.50

Our 3-course set lunch menu is €13.50.

**Reservations strictly mandatory. Covid-19 hygiene requirements apply.**

## *This week's weather in Brida*

**Monday, 22 June 2020.** Sunny and a fresh breeze. Highs 29° and Lows 18°.

**Tuesday, 23 June 2020.** Sunny and a gentle breeze. Highs 30° and Lows 16°.

**Wednesday, 24 June 2020.** Sunny and a gentle breeze. Highs 29° and Lows 17°.

**Thursday, 25 June 2020.** Sunny and a gentle breeze. Highs 29° and Lows 14°.

**Friday, 26 June 2020.** Sunny and a gentle breeze. Highs 30° & Lows 18°.

**Saturday, 27 June 2020.** Sunny and a gentle breeze Highs 29° & Lows 18°.

**Sunday, 28 June 2020.** Sunny and a moderate breeze Highs 30° & Lows 18°.



## Our special offers for this week.

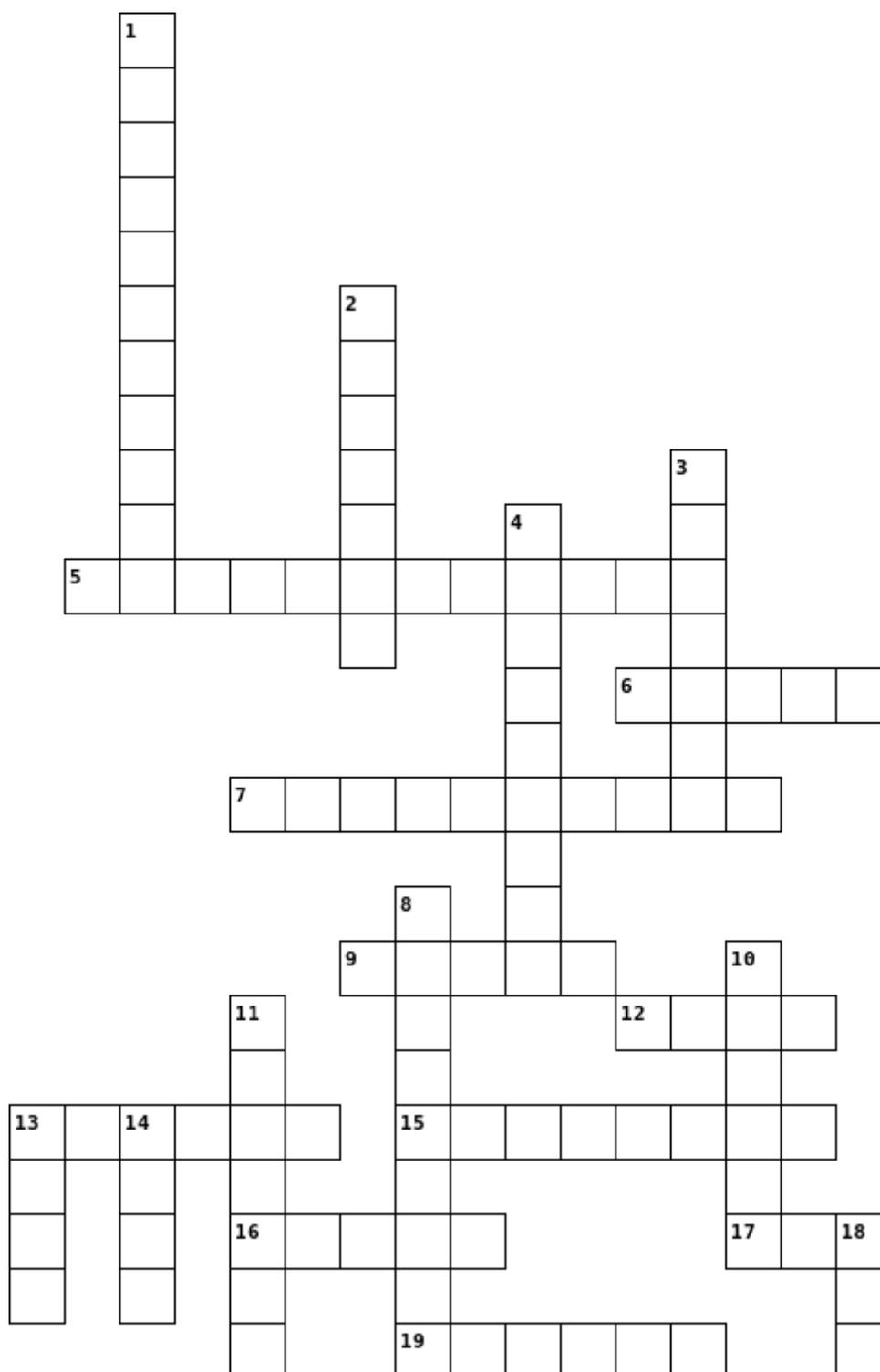
Swim Noodles, Per piece, €2.75	Ready salted crisps 150 gr. €1.25	Lemonade, 500 ml. €1.79
Terra Cotta Plant Saucer 12cm diameter. €2.95	Gravy Mix, Brown 25 grams €0.45	Fresh Pineapple 1 piece €1.49
Sidewalk Chalk 8 colours. €3.75	Fresh Strawberries 250 gr. €1.95	Mini Peanut Butter Fudge Cookies 300 gr, €4.25
Cucumbers 1 piece, €0.49	Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough 500 gr. €3.99	Double Gloucester 400 gr. €4.95
Onion Powder 100 gr. €1.20	Spinach Artichoke Cream Cheese Spread 300 gr, €3.50	White Rum with coconut flavour 75 cl. €13.79

**Offers while stocks last. Valid from June 22, 2020 to June 27, 2020.**

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# *Brida Gymnastics - Vocabulary*

## Weekly Vocabulary Crossword 26.20



**Across**

5. necessity before you can do something
6. solid flour, butter and other ingredients to make cakes
7. tool for secretaries before computers
9. to mix liquid ingredients together
12. to become bigger or taller
13. an American measurement of liquid quantity
15. refreshing citrus drink in summer
16. a large gathering
17. alcohol made from sugar cane
19. not deliberately spending money

**Down**

1. wide strips of pasta
2. to help
3. to transform something back into a good condition
4. limited supplies, often natural.
8. Currency of Tanzania
10. tiny granules
11. a complex business process
13. not a cow, but still produces milk
14. the field in your garden
18. to reduce the size of grass

*The solution will be published in the next issue.*

### Solution Crossword Brida Journal 25.20

**Across**

4. dressing
11. unfair
12. apple
14. ingredients
17. time
18. pass
19. distance
20. feminism

**Down**

1. engine
2. forklift
3. Alsace
5. source
6. crisps
7. liquid
8. hike
9. warehouse
10. altitude
13. figs
15. grated
16. speech

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Chez Brigitte: [olivemagazin.com](http://olivemagazin.com).  
The garden: Wenia Field's Gardening, published 1973 by Octopus Books.