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## Flashback: Unveiling the Coat of Arms

By Lindsey Turnbull

A significant moment of Caymanian history was made on Monday when Captain Owen Farrington, one of only a handful of surviving JPs who served in government in the late 1950s, unveiled a copy of the Royal Warrant that assigned Cayman's Coat of Arms at a special ceremony held in the grounds of the Glass House. The original Royal Warrant was lost in a fire at the old Government administration building in 1972, so the acquiring and unveiling of a copy of the original Royal Warrant was an important moment for people in Cayman, because it underscored the significance of the Coat of Arms as the first symbol of Cayman Islands identity.

The unveiling of the Royal Warrant was part of a special celebration that included an inspection of the RCIPS by Governor Anwar Choudhury and a presentation by Premier Alden McLaughlin on the history and general importance of Cayman's Coat of Arms.



► Premier McLaughlin addresses the crowd

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## Police continue to prosecute for road offences

The RCIPS is reminding the public of the dangers of driving under the influence of alcohol and driving without due care and attention after already twenty-three motor vehicle collisions last week so far, between Sunday 16 June and Thursday 20 June. Three people have been arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence.

On Tuesday 18 June, a 21-year-old-woman was arrested on suspicion of driving whilst under the influence of alcohol, possession of ganja, consumption of ganja, dangerous driving, driving without being licensed, driving without insurance and other traffic related offences.

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## CAYMAN ISLANDS INITIATE JOINT OTs TRADE PUSH



By Mike Jarvis  
UK Correspondent

A planned inaugural trade summit amongst the British Overseas Territories (BOTs) this week in the Cayman Islands is a welcome initiative and deserves applause.

The event is scheduled for the June 26 - 29 annual United Kingdom Overseas Territories Association (UKOTA) Pre-Joint Ministerial Council (JMC) meeting.

It will be jointly hosted by the Cayman and UK governments and coordinated by the local government's new Ministry of International Trade, Investment Aviation and Maritime Affairs (MITIAMA).

Premier Alden McLaughlin has described it as "an opportunity to showcase what the OTs have to offer but to also discuss trade opportunities with and for all OTs as we all look for ways to diversify our economies and take advantage of the opportunities that will be afforded after Brexit."

He is on point and ahead of the curve on that.

It is time overdue for these territories to identify, exploit and develop their common causes beyond the issues impacting their individual - and collective - relationships with the UK.

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EDITORIAL

Tips to live by

Motivational Tip

The door to your future may be stuck and hard to open. Do not be distracted and discouraged. Keep pushing. Eventually the elements that prevented you from opening your door will wear away, the door will swing open and you will have unlimited access to your future and your destiny



- g) Qualifications
- h) Working Conditions

Financial Tip - Business Job Description

A detailed job description for each role increases the success level of your business. It prevents misunderstandings and gives the employee a clear summary of their duties and responsibilities. A job description should include the following:

- a) Position Title
- b) Reporting Relationships
- c) Position Purpose
- d) Essential Functions and Basic Duties
- e) Performance Factors and Measurements
- f) Signing Authority and privileges

Financial Tip - Personal Expense Reduction - Tracking your Expenses

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COMMUNITY NOTICE

DVDL Visitor Permits Clarification

The Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing would like to clarify that visitors to the Cayman Islands are no longer required to pay CI \$16 for a permit in order to drive legally on the roads.

It has come to the attention of the DVDL that some insurance companies suggest the visitor must obtain a Visitor Permit, before they are legally covered by insurance.

As per Section 29 (2) of the Traffic Law, 2011 and expanded to cover "new residents" as well as visitors under Sections 18 and 19 of the recent Traffic (Amendment) Law, 2018, persons from countries stated under the Geneva Convention are allowed to drive in other listed countries, on a current valid foreign driver's licence of the same vehicle group. That is: a visitor to the Cayman Islands can drive on their foreign licence without purchasing a separate permit, as long as their licence is valid and they are qualified to drive the same vehicle type at home.

Visitors who do not have a domestic licence from a Convention country - or an international driver's permit - must pass a written and road test before they are allowed to drive in the Islands.



In addition, the Vehicle Insurance (Third Party Risks) Law (2012 Revision) does not require persons to have a Cayman Islands' driver's licence, in order to qualify for insurance coverage, since there is no requirement by Law for a visitor permit to be issued, in order to drive.

In the past, the DVDL has issued Visitor Permits under the Traffic Law and The Traffic (International Circulation) Regulations, as per the Conventions on Road Traffic of 1926, 1949 and 1968. But this is no longer required.

The DVDL wishes to thank the vehicle rental agencies and insurance industry for their services over the years.

COMMUNITY NOTICE

Lobster Pot donates AED to Montessori By the Sea

Lobster Pot owner, Marcus Cumber recently purchased and donated a HeartSine 360P AED from the Cayman Heart Fund. The AED was purchased for Montessori by the Sea School. Mr. Cumber expressed concern that cardiac arrest is one of Cayman's worst life-threatening medical emergencies and wanted the school to be prepared in a cardiac event.

The Owner/Principal of Montessori By the Sea, Clare Thorpe, said, "they are so grateful for the support of Marcus Cumber and Lobster Pot restaurant for donating an AED in their school. Although they hope never to have to use it, it is comforting to know that it is available for the staff to use as they are crucial in an emergency."

Coordinator for the Cayman Heart Fund, Angelique Bodden, applauded Mr. Cumber for donating the AED to the school but also expressed the importance of learning CPR and first aid training. She welcomes the community to contact her for CPR and First Aid Training information.

The Cayman Heart Fund (CHF) is a non-profit, non-government organization dedicated to the reduction of heart and circulatory disease in the Cayman Islands. Heart and circulatory disease, known as cardiovascular disease (CVD), is the number one health problem in the Cayman Islands. For more information contact: 345-916-6324 or info@caymanheartfund.com.



► Cayman Heart Fund Project Coordinator, Angelique Bodden (left) and Lobster Pot Owner, Marcus Cumber (right) and Cayman Heart Fund Founder, Suzy Soto (center) present Montessori By The Sea, Clare O'Keefe Thorpe (Center) with one automated external defibrillators purchased and be installed at Montessori By The Sea

POLICE NEWS

Police continue to prosecute for road offences

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The arrest took place sometime after 7:30PM, when an officer saw what appeared to be an illegal motorbike - a bike being ridden without lights or license plates -- on the Esterley Tibbetts Highway heading into West Bay. The rider lost control and fell off the motorcycle in the vicinity of Peninsula Drive and was subsequently arrested and taken into custody.

The woman refused to provide a breath test and was further arrested for refusing to provide a breath/urine/blood sample without reasonable cause. She has been bailed while investigations continue.

Today, 20 June, a 38-year-old-man was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol after officers

responded to a single vehicle collision at the Yacht Drive roundabout. Officers suspected that the man had consumed alcohol. He was taken into custody where a breath test was administered with a result of .226%, over double the legal limit. He was later bailed while investigations continue.

"The level of inebriation we sometimes encounter when conducting enforcement operations or responding to accidents continues to be a concern," observed Robert Graham, Superintendent of Uniform Operations. "Drunk driving is a danger for all of us. If you see someone getting behind the wheel who shouldn't be driving, alert someone or call the police. We all have a part to play to reduce dangers on our roads."

Water related death on Seven Mile Beach

Just aft 3:30pm on Friday 21st June, police and other emergency services were dispatched to a report of a possible drowning incident at a resort along the Seven Mile Beach.

First aid was rendered to the victim at the location where he was found and he was later transported to the hospital

where he was later pronounced dead. The victim is a 77-year-old-man visiting the Cayman Islands from Massachusetts, USA.

The matter is currently under investigation.

The RCIPS extends condolences to his family.

Two-Car Collision on North Sound Road

On Friday, 21st June, just before 1:30PM the 9-1-1 Communications Centre dispatched police and emergency services to the scene of a two-vehicle collision on North Sound Road near Compass Drive. The collision occurred between a BMW heading northbound and a Subaru heading southbound, when the driver of the Subaru was making a right-hand turn onto Compass

Drive. The Subaru subsequently overturned.

The drivers of each vehicle were taken to hospital with non-life threatening injuries; there were no passengers in either car. The left NB lane of North Sound Road had been blocked since the accident but was expected to be clear by 3:15PM. There were delays as northbound traffic merged into one lane.

Man Charged with Burglary and Six Other Offenses Following Investigation into Recovered Jewelry

On Wednesday, 19 June, RCIPS detectives arrested a man, age 32 of George Town, following an investigation into recovered jewelry. A subsequent search of the man's address also led to the recovery of 25 ganja plants.

The man has been formally charged with seven offences: Burglary, Theft, Handling Stolen Goods, Damage to Property, Cultivating Ganja, Possession of Ganja with Intent to Supply, and Refusing to Provide a Sample of Urine.



# INTERNATIONAL ALL-STAR FOOTBALL MATCH

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 Ricardo Gardener (Jamaica)  
 Darren Moore (Jamaica)  
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**FLASHBACK**

*As we prepare to celebrate Constitution day on Monday we decided to publish a few memories from Celebrate Cayman 2018*

# First Celebrate Cayman event unveils Coat of Arms Royal Warrant

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“When we examine the story line that bridges the gap between Cayman’s early settlement and rapid ascendance to becoming a world class leader in financial services and tourism, the issuance of the Coat of Arms represents the seminal moment that arguable triggered the chain of events that places the Cayman Islands on the path to modernity,” he said, adding that the Coat of Arms was Cayman’s first internationally recognised symbol of identity, its rich imagery telling the story of who Caymanian’s are, their history, culture, earliest industries, constitutional relationship and faith.

Premier McLaughlin credited former Commissioner (equivalent of Governor today) Major Alan Hilliard Donald with initiating the Cayman Islands Coat of Arms in the late 1950s. The Royal Warrant assigning ‘Armorial Ensigns for the Cayman Islands’ was eventually approved by the Queen’s command on 14 May, 1958.

Having lost the original signed warrant in the fire, government felt it was essential that a copy be produced that would help Caymanians understand their history.

As a result of the loss of the Royal Warrant, Premier McLaughlin said: “Almost two generations of Caymanians have known nothing about how our Coat of Arms came to exist. Until now the story, along with the Coat of Arms, had been lost. Today we celebrate the return of a facsimile of the Coat of Arms which has been prepared by the Garta King of Arms at the request of the Cayman Islands Government.”

MLA Ezzard Miller then read a list of the JPs and Vestrymen who ran Cayman’s government at the time of the development of the Coat of Arms and the audience, which included government representatives and other dignitaries, was then treated to a rendition of ‘Come back home to our Island’ by Cayman Folk Singers. Captain Owen Farrington then took the important step of unveiling the Royal Warrant and Coat of Arms and Governor Choudhury read the original Royal Warrant. Musical interludes were also performed by Jubilate, a collection of musicians from Cayman’s primary schools. A brand new recording of Cayman’s National Song was then played, produced by Lisa Scott, the granddaughter of the song’s original author, and her husband Dan. Refreshments were then served to the attendees who were thankful that the rain had held off for this momentous occasion.



► Former Governor Choudhury inspected the RCIPS



► Cayman Folk Singers performed Come back to our Island



► Unveiling the Coat of Arms



# MEET THE 2019 GOVERNOR'S CONSERVATION AWARDS WINNERS

## CONSERVATIONIST OF THE YEAR

**Bill LaMonte** – Bill LaMonte is a secondary science teacher at the Cayman International School (CIS) and has been instrumental in the coming together of the youth activist group Protect Our Future Cayman. During his tenure with CIS, Bill has implemented compost bins within the staff lounge, started a recycling programme on the school compound, launched a Green Team among the student body and is a leading member of the Plastic Free Cayman community group.

**Cruise Port Referendum Cayman** – The Cruise Port Referendum (CPR) Cayman advocacy group was formed in response to the Cayman Islands Government's (CIG) decision to pursue a Cruise Berthing Facility (CBF) in the George Town harbour, which threatens the livelihood of coral reef and aquatic life in the area and will forever change the underwater landscape. Since August 2018, CPR has taken steps to engage the public, raise awareness of environmental concerns and challenge the Environmental Impact Assessment and statements by the CIG in relation to the proposed CBF.

**Dwayne Frederick** – Dwayne Frederick a native Cayman Bracker and a licenced volunteer with the Department of Environment in turtle conservation on Cayman Brac and Little Cayman. His consistent patrolling of the beaches is believed to be a major factor in the prevention of turtle nest poaching activity in the Sister Islands. Dwayne is also involved in the Sister Island Rock Iguana research and is a founding member of the Cayman Brac Wildlife Rescue, providing support for injured indigenous wildlife on Cayman Brac.

**Joseph Avary** – Joseph Avary was an active member of the two-year-long Cayman Magic Reef Recovery project following the damage of Hog Sty Bay's coral reef caused by Carnival Magic's anchor in 2014; he also extensively documented volunteers' efforts and progress of the project. In 2015, he became involved in the Cayman United Lionfish League, making significant contributions to the fight against the invasive lionfish in Cayman's waters; today he is an active board member of the non-profit organisation and is responsible for its overall public communications. Throughout his career as a journalist, Joseph has consistently been known to cover important environmen-

tal and conservation topics and is often described as being "the watchdog of the environment".

## CORPORATE CONSERVATION AWARD

**Caribbean Utilities Company** – Environmental commitment is one of eight core business values at Caribbean Utilities Company (CUC). The company's environmental initiatives include the ongoing segregation of scrap metals consisting mainly of aluminum conductor and damaged transformers for recycling overseas and recycling used oil and batteries. In 2009, CUC launched the Consumer Owned Renewable Energy (CORE) programme, which allows residents of Grand Cayman to connect renewable energy systems – such as small-scale solar systems or wind turbines – to CUC's distribution system, thereby generating their own power and reducing their monthly energy bill.

**High Rock Landing** – Before construction at High Rock Landing - the home of Health City Cayman Islands - commenced, the developers took steps to survey its four-acre property in search of native flora which could be conserved. With the assistance of a local horticulturist who specialises in native flora, several indigenous plants were found; however, it was the discovery of a rare and endemic plant once thought to be extinct that led to the developers taking significant steps to reconsider its development plans and previously planned buildings were moved to accommodate the natural habitat of this extraordinary plant. The gardens of High Rock Landing were also carefully curated to preserve existing trees, relocating them on-site, and to retain as much mature and natural vegetation as possible, reducing the need for irrigation.

**Hurley's Marketplace** – In 2019, Hurley's Marketplace became the first grocery store in the Cayman Islands to eliminate the distribution of single-use plastic shopping bags, marking a momentous occasion in reducing single-use plastics in the Cayman Islands; in its place, reusable, recyclable and biodegradable paper bags will be available for its customers. Prior to taking this step, Hurley's Marketplace was distributing some 800,000 plastic bags per annum. In addition to discontinuing single-use plastic bags, the grocery store has also replaced plastic straws, Styrofoam containers and plastic containers with recy-



► His Excellency The Governor Martyn Roper (centre) stands with National Trust Executive Director Nadia Hardie (left) and the 2019 winners of the Governor's Conservation Awards, Hurley's Marketplace (Corporate Conservation Award), Ann Stafford (Heritage Preservation Award), Dwayne Frederick (Conservationist of the Year Award), Jean-Michel Cousteau's Ambassadors of the Environment (Tourism Industry Conservation Award) and Protect Our Future (Lois Blumenthal Youth Conservation Award) at last night's award ceremony held at the Government House

clable, environmentally-friendly alternatives.

## TOURISM INDUSTRY CONSERVATION AWARD

**Jean-Michel Cousteau's Ambassadors of the Environment Programme** – The Jean-Michel Cousteau Ambassadors of the Environment programme offers immersive eco-tour experiences of Grand Cayman. Developed by the legendary environmentalist Jean-Michel Cousteau, the programme uses family-friendly activities to introduce guests to the natural wonders and cultural traditions of the Cayman Islands, as well as living responsibly and respecting nature. The programme is based in the Ritz-Carlton, Grand Cayman's Heritage House, a traditional Cayman cottage with cultural exhibits.

**Cayman Turtle Centre** – The Cayman Turtle Centre's efforts to conserve turtle species began more than 50 years ago; to-date, the Centre has released over 32,000 sea turtles into the wild, including its first turtle release in the Sister Islands in 2018. Throughout the years, the Cayman Turtle Centre has educated residents and visitors alike of the history and legacy of turtling in the Cayman Islands. As part of its attraction, the Cay-

man Turtle Centre includes a historic and cultural tour through its Blue Hole Nature Trail and Cayman Street, the latter of which features replications of authentic Caymanian architecture.

## HERITAGE PRESERVATION AWARD

**Ann Stafford** – Ann Stafford's contribution to preserving a historic and cultural legacy for future generations is wide ranging and has been ongoing for decades. Her work is most recently evident in her co-curation of the exhibit '1938 – Oxford University Biological Expedition to the Cayman Islands – 2018', commemorating the 80th anniversary of the Expedition. The exhibit blended extraordinary scientific achievements with an exposition of the daily life and culture of the Cayman Islands following the 1932 hurricane but poised on the brink of a giant step into 20th Century development. Over the years, Ann has also amassed a wide collection of historic documents and photos, penned blogs on Cayman's history, authored 'Butterflies of the Cayman Islands' and contributed to 'Flora of the Cayman Islands'.

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# CHAMBER PENSION'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES WELCOMES FLOW FINANCE DIRECTOR

Chamber Pension Plan's board of trustees welcomes FLOW Finance Director Giosino Colaicovo, who was appointed earlier this month following the term fulfillment of previous trustee, Derek Jones.

Mr Colaicovo is one of two trustees appointed by the Chamber of Commerce under the terms of the Trust Deed. The board is made up of nine trustees who serve on a voluntary basis for three years. All are senior level executives and professionals from the business community.

"This is an exciting venture," said Mr Colaicovo. "I look forward to working alongside my fellow trustees to provide members of Chamber Pension with the best possible value and performance."

Mr Colaicovo moved from Canada to Grand Cayman in 2006 and currently manages FLOW's financial functions.

"Mr Colaicovo brings over 20 years of expertise in providing strategic commercial and operation-

al support," said Board of Trustees Chairperson, Paul Schreiner. "His background in accounting and finance will be greatly beneficial in delivering on the board's strategic operational objectives."

Mr Schreiner continued: "I would like to also thank Derek Jones for his own service to the board these past three years. We wish him a fond farewell and are grateful for the commitment and expertise he provided to the board and its members."



► Chamber Pension Plan's new Trustee, Giosino Colaicovo

# Government reopens Immigration Detention Centre Update on Migrant Numbers and Housing

Six weeks after Government closed the Immigration Detention Centre the facility has reopened to accommodate new arrivals.

Currently two men, who arrived in East End in early June from Cuba, are housed at the Immigration Detention Centre (IDC). Another 21 are in approved accommodations, including 14 temporarily housed at Gun Bay Civic Centre.

The move to house some migrants outside IDC was in keeping with international guidelines to provide alternatives to the detention of migrants wherever possible.

All of the migrants, including those housed at the Gun Bay Civic Centre have been granted admission to the Cayman Islands.

Their terms of release require them to:

- Abide by all the laws of the Cayman Islands,
- Observe curfew hours between 9pm and 6am daily, although they are

otherwise free to move about the country during the day, (They can request special permission to waive curfew. This has been granted in the past for special occasions such as New Year's Eve, etc.)

- Refrain from tampering or removal of the electronic monitoring device, and
- Refrain from employment.

Migrants who do not abide by these conditions, may be returned to the IDC for a reasonable period of time or until the individual is repatriated or granted asylum as the case may be.

Immigration officials note that Gun Bay Civic Center is a publicly-owned property. Its facilities including: space for beds, bathrooms, as well as areas for cooking and exercise allow the Government to temporarily provide for the basic needs of the migrants without having them remain in a detention setting.

Immigration officials say alternative facilities may be used if and when they become available. They are also considering other public buildings should the



public require use of the civic centre due to an oncoming storm or hurricane.

The IDC was closed briefly in 2018 but reopened in the fall of last year following the arrival of new migrants.

During the 2018 budget year IDC operating costs reached more than \$1.6 million. By the end of May 2019 the year-to-date figure was already in excess of \$1.4 million.



# Free HIV tests offered island-wide to mark HIV Testing Week

The Health Services Authority (HSA), Cayman AIDS Foundation and Cayman Islands Red Cross will once again join forces in coordinating activities to mark HIV Testing Week to be observed in the Cayman Islands from 24-29 June. This is in support of the National Testing Day and Regional HIV Testing Day observed on 27 June.

Testing centres will be available across all three Cayman Islands. Persons who are seeking testing or counseling may indicate to the registration clerks that they would like to register for free HIV testing. The procedure involves a quick and simple blood test. No appointment is necessary during the specified times on the HIV schedule and wait times will be short.

"The purpose of these annual observances is to ensure people get tested for HIV in order to know their status, get linked to the care and treatment services they need should they be diagnosed with the infection," said Laura Elniski, HIV and STI Programme Coordinator at the HSA.

HIV Testing Week in Cayman, more specifically, provides an opportunity for the public to take advantage of free HIV testing that are offered and to become edu-

cated about prevention and protection against HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases. "There is a need for people in the Cayman Islands to better understand how HIV is and isn't transmitted and to be reminded of the importance of testing. Testing may lead to treatment and treatment stops transmission," Ms Elniski stated.

According to the global organisation, UNAIDS, research has shown that HIV treatment is so highly effective in reducing the transmission of HIV that people living with HIV with an undetectable viral load due to treatment cannot transmit HIV sexually. This has prompted UNAIDS to launch its "Undetectable = Untransmittable" campaign.

"This has incredible impact on the lives of people living with HIV and is a powerful message to address HIV-related stigma, discrimination and social exclusion, which threatens to undermine global efforts to address the diagnosis of HIV, and treatment and care of people living with the virus," Ms Elniski said.

Since AIDS first appeared, considerable progress has been made worldwide in reducing new HIV infections and AIDS-related deaths. "Knowing your HIV



status is key and this is done through testing," Ms Elniski said.

The results will be available within three working days or less and will be given to the patient in person only, at the clinic where they took the test. This is to protect the confidentiality of the individual and to offer post-test counseling.

## What is HIV?

- HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) is the virus that can lead to AIDS (Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome).
- You can have HIV and not know it.

## How is HIV transmitted?

• HIV is a virus transmitted through certain body fluids that attacks the body's immune system, specifically the CD4 cells, often called T cells. Over time, HIV can destroy so many of these cells that the body can't fight off infections. These special cells help the immune system fight off infections.

• If untreated, HIV reduces the immune system making it harder and harder for the body to fight off infections and some other diseases. Some infections or cancers take advantage of a very weak immune system and signal that the person has AIDS.

## How do I know if I have HIV?

- The only way to know for sure whether you have HIV is to get tested. Knowing your status is important

because it helps you make healthy decisions to prevent contracting or transmitting HIV.

• Some people may experience a flu-like illness within 2 to 4 weeks after infection however some people may not feel sick during this stage. Flu-like symptoms include fever, chills, rash, night sweats, muscle aches, sore throat, fatigue, swollen lymph nodes, or mouth ulcers. These symptoms can last anywhere from a few days to several weeks.

• If you have these symptoms, that doesn't mean you have HIV. Each of these symptoms can be caused by other illnesses, however, if you have these symptoms after a potential exposure to HIV, see a health care provider and tell them about your risk.

• The only way to determine whether you are infected is to be tested for HIV infection.

## How is HIV transmitted?

- Through unprotected sex with someone who has HIV. Your Sex partner can have HIV and not know it.
- By sharing needles or syringes, that have already been used by someone who has HIV.
- Women with HIV can pass the virus to their babies during pregnancy, delivery, or breastfeeding.

*You can get or transmit HIV only through specific activities. Most commonly, people get or transmit HIV through sexual behaviors and needle or syringe use.*

## How can I protect myself?

- Know your HIV status.
- Have a sexual relationship with only one uninfected person, who is having sex with only you.
- Use a condom for all sexual encounters.
- Do not share any kind of needles.

## You CANNOT get HIV from:

- Social contact- shaking hands, touching, hugging someone with HIV
- coughing or sneezing
- tears, saliva, or sweat
- sharing drinking glasses, plates, forks, knives, or spoons
- using public bathrooms and drinking fountains
- mosquito bites or other bug bites
- swimming pools or hot tubs
- pets

## HIV Testing

If you think you have HIV or believe you are at high risk of contracting HIV - get a HIV test. The test is safe

and private. You do not have to give your name if you do not want to.

## What is HIV Testing?

The HIV test looks for antigens and antibodies in a person's blood. When HIV (which is a virus) enters a body, special chemicals are produced. These chemicals are called antigens and antibodies, which are the body's response to an infection.

## What does HIV testing involve?

A small sample of blood will be taken from your arm, sent to a laboratory, and tested for HIV antigens and antibodies. The test is always strictly confidential.

## What is a positive HIV test?

HIV positive means that antigens and antibodies to HIV were detected, a confirmatory test must be completed to diagnosis HIV, this test is sent overseas and may take up to 10 days to return.

## What is a negative HIV test?

HIV negative means that no HIV antigens and antibodies were detected at this time. In almost all cases this means the person is not infected with HIV. With the fourth generation testing that HSA uses called HIV Combo (HIV antigen and Antibody testing) the previous known window period of three months has been reduced to 2-6 weeks.

The test is only accurate if there are no other exposures between the time of possible exposure to HIV and testing.

## If you are unable to attend the scheduled walk in clinic for free HIV testing, you can make an appointment for confidential testing at:

- Public Health Clinic 244-2648
- George Town General Practice Clinic, Cayman Islands Hospital 244-2800/244-2507
- Faith Hospital (Cayman Brac) 948-2243
- HSA District Health Centres
- Cayman Islands Red Cross, Cayman Corporate Centre
- A private doctor

For further information about HIV call HIV and STI Programme Coordinator Laura Elniski at 244-2507 or consult your doctor. 📞

### Free HIV Testing- June 2019

Testing Site	Day/Dates	Time	Phone
<b>GRAND CAYMAN</b>			
George Town General Practice Clinic	24th-28th June Monday-Friday	9am-1pm	244-2507
Bodden Town Health Centre	24th-28th June Monday-Friday	9am-1pm	947-2299
West Bay Health Centre	24th Mon, 25th Tues, 27th Thurs, 28th Friday	9am-1pm	949-3439
East End Health Centre	24th-28th June Monday-Friday	1-3pm (Mon) 9am-1pm (Tues-Fri)	947-7440
North Side Health Centre	25th Tuesday 28th Friday	9:30am-12:30pm (Tues) 8:30am-2pm (Fri)	947-9525
Cayman Islands Red Cross Cayman Corporate Centre 27 Hospital Road, 1st Floor	25th & 26th June Tuesday & Wednesday	2-4pm	949-6785 916-1742
Seven Mile Medical Clinic	29th June Saturday	9am-12pm	949-5600
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Faith Hospital Cayman Brac	24th June Wednesday	9am-1pm	948-2243
Little Cayman Clinic	25th June Tuesday	9am-1pm	948-0072

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# The New Customs & Border Control Highlighted Across the Caribbean

The Caribbean is watching the Cayman Islands as they work towards becoming a world-class service in border control and protection.

Since the merger of the Immigration Department and Customs Department to become the Cayman Islands Customs & Border Control, the Director of Customs & Border Control, Mr. Charles Clifford and some of his Deputies have travelled throughout the Caribbean and addressed members of the Caribbean Customs Law Enforcement Council's Executive Committee meeting in St Lucia, the Jamaica Customs Agency Senior Management Team meeting in Jamaica and the CARICOM IMPACS Meeting

of Chiefs of Immigration and Customs in Grenada. Information and insight on how the merger was executed was shared.

Given the significant regional interest and engagement on the merger the presentation was also included on the agenda at the 41st Annual Caribbean Customs Law Enforcement Council Conference held in Havana, Cuba last month. Topics included the mission of the CBC and the new areas of focus including the transition to an intelligence-led organisation.

The Director expressed that the merger is a multi-year undertaking and is managed by a Steering Group and a

number of Working Sub Groups. The Steering Group ensured the operational structure and plans were in place to effect the merger and it also has oversight of the Sub Groups. By taking a look at the past and researching how border protection works in the UK and USA, the Cayman Islands Customs & Border Control was able to form relationships with international partners to further ensure that any potential threats to the islands are addressed ahead of the border thus ensuring impactful enforcement outcomes.

In commenting on the considerable interest in the merger of our Customs and Immigration agencies, Direc-

tor of CBC Charles Clifford said "I am pleased to see the level of interest and engagement across the region on this initiative. As I have said previously, the operational merger is a multi-year project and once completed it will allow for more efficient deployment of our resources."

Mr. Clifford continued, "At each presentation, we were quick to point out that we are not experts at mergers but we are happy to share with our regional colleagues the methodologies and strategies which we employed to achieve the merger and the things that we would perhaps do differently were we starting over today." 📞



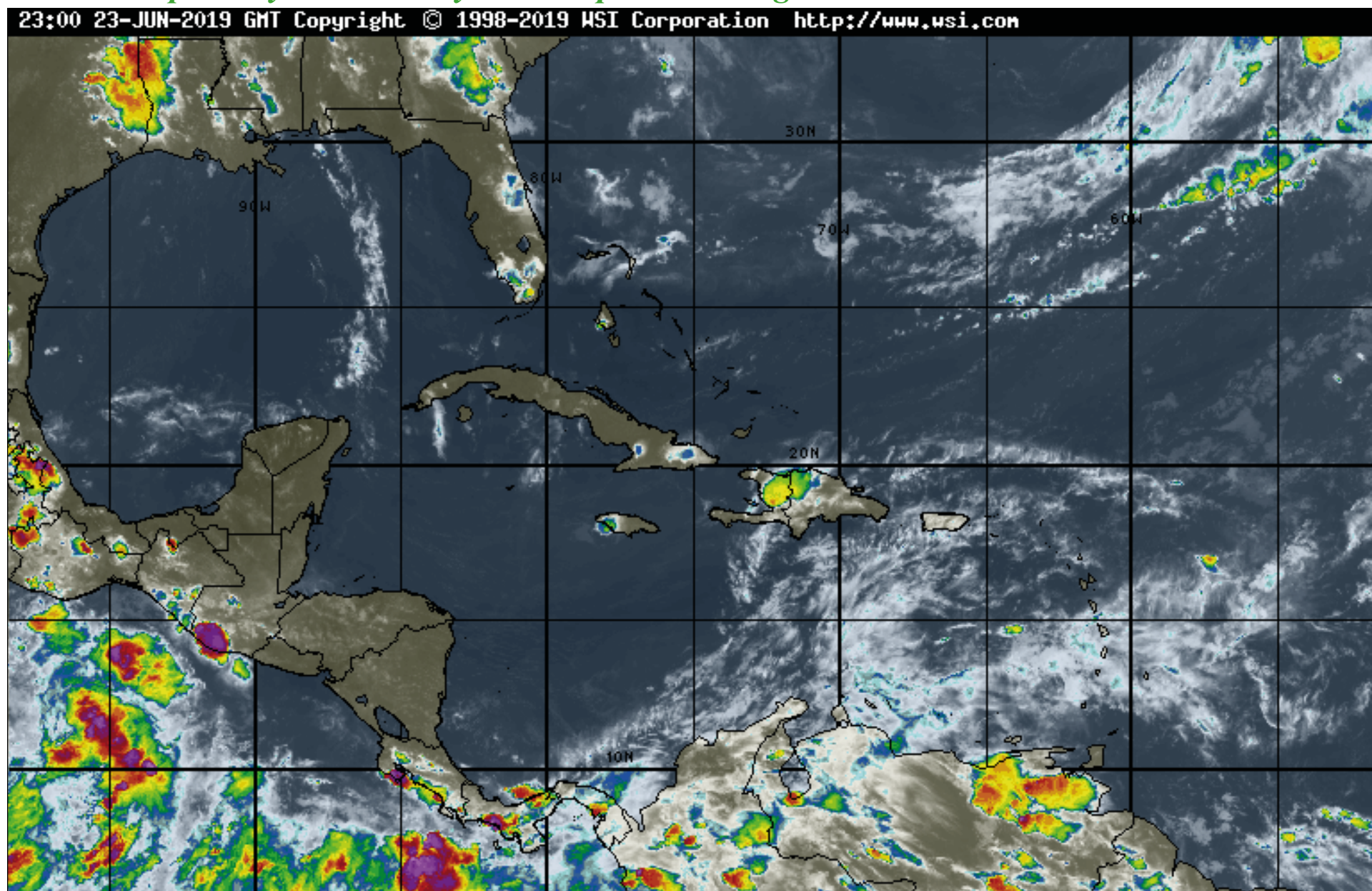
▶ CBC Director addresses the member countries at the 41st Annual Caribbean Customs Law Enforcement Council Conference in Havana, Cuba



## TROPICAL UPDATE

# Atlantic Tropical Cyclones and Disturbances

*Tropical Cyclone activity is not expected during the next 48 hours. NOAA Jun 23*



# Suggested Hurricane Supply List

To prepare for the unknown, each home should have a 72-hour Disaster Survival Kit. You will need to pack some essential items to help you and your family survive, whether you stay at home or leave it during a disaster.

Ensure at least three days (72 hours) supply for each person. Do not forget pets where applicable! The following is a minimum suggested list of Survival Kit supplies:

### Drinking Water:

- One gallon per person/per day in unbreakable containers, Avoid using containers that will decompose or break, such as milk cartons or glass bottles. A normally active person needs to drink at least two quarts of water each day. Hot environments and intense physical activity can double that amount. Children, nursing mothers, and ill people will need more.

- Don't forget to add additional water for mixing formula if you have children and for your pets. Rotate the drinking water each year.

- Food preparation and sanitation require another two quarts (minimum) per person daily.

- Purchased bottled water that has been sealed is best for storage. It meets FDA guidelines for food and is not as vulnerable to temperature changes as unsealed water

- **Tip:** Purchase water this year and use it for drinking next year. This allows for rotation on an annual basis and keeps the water fresh. **Yes water can go bad!**

### Water for sanitation use:

- Store extra containers of water to be used for flushing toilets, cleaning, and bathing.

- Purchase water purification tablets (Halazone) to be used if you still have running water but are told to boil water before using it. This allows you to fill the bathtub and other containers without purchasing expensive drinking water.

- **Tip:** Keep plastic containers (milk jugs and other containers) and fill them with water when a storm threatens. You can put these items in the freezer to keep food cold longer in the event that the electricity goes out.

### Non-perishable Food:

- Maintain at least 3-7 days of food for each member of the family.

- Small, preferably single serving cans (should not require cooking or refrigeration). Dried fruit, peanut butter and jelly, coffee, tea, soft drinks and pet foods.

- Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits and vegetables.

- Canned juices, milk, soup (if powdered, store extra water).

- Staples – sugar, salt, pepper in water proof containers.

- High energy foods like crackers, granola bars, trail mix.

- Raw vegetables that do not need refrigeration.

- Fresh bread.

- Comfort/stress foods – cookies, hard candy, sweetened cereals, lollipops, **instant coffee, tea bags.**

- Sterno for cooking.

- Vitamins

- Food for infants

- Paper cups, plates, and plastic utensils

- Non-electric can opener

- Aluminum foil

- Plastic storage containers

- Lots of ice (you can freeze your water supply)

- Pedialyte (to restore hydration if needed)

- **Tip:** Purchase only items that you like to eat and would eat even without a storm. Rotate these items by using them Dec-May each year and purchasing new items Jan-May. This allows you to reduce the cost of buying items for a hurricane kit at one time and keeps the items fresh. **Yes even canned goods have a shelf life!**

### Baby Needs:

- Special foods (enough for several days)

- Formula (enough for several days)

- Extra diapers

- Medicines (get a copy of prescription)

- Blankets

- Diaper Rash Ointment

- Baby Wipes

- Powder

- Bottles

- Pacifier

- Favorite toy/blanket

- Medicine dropper

- Diaper-rash ointment

### Sanitation

- Toilet paper, towelettes, soap, baby wipes, liquid hand sanitizer

- Liquid detergent

- Feminine supplies

- Personal hygiene items (toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo etc.)

- Plastic garbage bags, ties (for personal sanitation uses)

- Plastic bucket with tight lid

- Household chlorine bleach, disinfectant

- Plenty of absorbent towels

### First Aid Kit

- Assemble a first aid kit for your home and one for each car.

- Adhesive bandages various sizes – Sterile gauze pads (various sizes)

- Germicidal hand wipes or waterless alcohol-based hand sanitizer

- Non-latex gloves – Adhesive tape

- Anti-bacterial ointment – Antiseptic spray



- Cold packs (non refrigerated type) – Scissors – Tweezers – Rubbing alcohol
- CPR breathing barrier, such as a face shield – Thermometer, Safety pins.

### Non-Prescription Drugs

- Aspirin or nonaspirin pain reliever, Benadryl, peroxide

- Anti-diarrhea medication, Antacid (for stomach upset)

- Syrup of Ipecac (use to induce vomiting if advised by the Poison Control Center)

- Laxative

- Activated charcoal (use if advised by the Poison Control Center)

### Prescription Drugs

- Heart and high blood pressure medication

- Insulin (enough for a 30 day supply)

- Hearing Aid and extra batteries

- Prescription drugs

- Denture needs

- Contact lenses and supplies

- Extra eye glasses

- **Tip:** If your insurance will allow, get a 90 day supply of prescriptions and have at least a 30 day supply on hand. n't wait until a couple of days before a storm to go to the pharmacy you may not get your prescription refilled; the lines are very quickly.

### Clothing and Bedding

- Include at least one complete change of clothing and footwear per person.

- Sturdy shoes or work boots

- Towels

- Rain gear

- Blankets or sleeping bags

- Pillows

- Hat and gloves

- Sunglasses

- Tent

- Lawn chairs

### Entertainment

- Games

- Books

- Cards

- Extra batteries for games Coloring books, crayons.

### Miscellaneous

- Wind-up or battery-operated clock

- Paper, pencil

- Needles, thread

- Camping utensils

- Map of the area (for locating shelters) and returning to the area.

- Cash or traveler's checks

- **Tip:** Have enough cash to sustain you through a 2 week period. Without electricity, most businesses (if open) will not accept credit cards and may not accept traveler's checks.

- Emergency preparedness manual

- Citronella candles

### Not evacuating and staying home?

- Ensure you have enough food, water, medications, and other supplies in your survival kit to last at least 2 weeks.

- Turn refrigerator to coldest setting and keep closed.

- Turn off propane tanks.

- Unplug small appliances.

- Fill bathtub and other containers with water for cleaning and flushing. Additional water is stored for drinking.

- Cover all windows and other openings with hardened protections. If you do not have manufactured shutters, cut plywood and secure to protect the windows.

- Close all interior doors and brace outer doors.

- Select an interior room to use as a safe room.

- Plan as though you were evacuating and have enough cash on hand to sustain purchasing of gas, food, and other supplies in the days following the storm.

- If you have a generator, ensure you have enough gas on hand to sustain usage for several days.

- Ensure you have sufficient medications in case you are confined to your home for several days. Post-storm there may not be any electricity and pharmacies will probably be closed even with a minor storm.

- Plan to cook on a camp stove or grill in the days immediately after the storm passes. 🌍



# CAYMAN ISLANDS INITIATE JOINT OTs TRADE PUSH

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Given the implications (as they can be determined) and the uncertainties thrown up by Brexit for the UK economy and body politic, it behoves the OTs to pool their experiences and their individual local expertise for their common good.

Let's be frank about it and confront 'realpolitik'.

There's hardly an alternative to the relationship with the UK that is currently - and for the foreseeable future - available to the OTs, barring the (still limited) prospect of political independence.

Although it might possibly be considered by some, even so that prospect comes with its own inbuilt constraints.

But independence of thought in the pursuit of joint economic development is a worthy option.

The OTs are uniquely poised to develop the ties that bond them beyond the presence (permanence?) of the union jack embossed in the top left quadrant of their national flags.

These territories have developed expertise in specific industries; financial services with all its specialities, tourism with all its variables; fisheries in the Falkland Islands and St Helena; to even volcanology as the case of Montserrat with its experience and expertise gained from the eruption of its volcano.

It was quite encouraging to read this quote from Ben Merrick, Director of the Overseas Territories Department who has stated; "We are delighted to co-host this important and significant event with the Cayman Islands Government.

"This brings international trade issues to the forefront of our discussions with the OT Governments as well as provides a platform for discussion of how we can better work in partnership on trade."

And indeed it does.

Topics being discussed include opportunities to engage with UK initiatives for trade and promotion as well as with the Commonwealth in their Enterprise and Investment Council, and close examination of business sectors such as FinTech, Tourism, Healthcare and the Blue Economy.

For the OTs themselves the scope exists to expand this initiative to include; a sharing of expertise and services as evidenced with the rapid and magnanimous response of the Cayman Islands to the plight of its sister Caribbean territories battered by the ferocity of the 1997 hurricanes.

Especially in the civil service the scope, need and opportunities exist for secondments, sports and cultural engagements.

In many respects, the Cayman Islands is positioned to take a lead as it has



demonstrated with the vision of organising this week's OTs trade expo.

As noted by Eric Bush, Chief Officer of MITIAMA; "This is a very exciting time for Cayman, as we celebrate our 60-year anniversary of our first written constitution. We are now at a crossroads of our country's history.

"Our forefathers have built a strong and vibrant economy for us all to enjoy. It is now our time to further build on these foundations and bring Cayman to the world stage, showing them who we are, what we have to offer and seek to enhance trade and investment from our neighbours, near and far."

The timing of the Trade Summit coincides with the host territory's Celebrate Cayman 60th anniversary celebrations.

Another quote worthy of note in this respect comes from Alfonso Wright, Executive Chairman, Celebrate Cayman.

He states; "This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase Cayman Islands history and culture with the UK and Heads of Government from the Overseas Territories.

"At such a significant time for the Cayman Islands' relationship with the UK it is invaluable to be able to invite such high-level attendees to join our celebrations."

This week's Pre-JMC meeting is a forum for OT leaders and representatives of the British government to discuss and finalise key items for the agenda for their annual summit that will take place in November in London.

## Jamaica Bids Final Farewell to Late Prime Minister Edward Seaga

A grateful nation said its final farewell to former Prime Minister Edward Seaga, during a service of thanksgiving yesterday at the Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity in Kingston, where tributes flowed, as did the tears.

Seaga was accorded a state funeral, in recognition of the high national office he held as Jamaica's fifth Prime Minister. Mourners, headed by his family, Government officials, and other local and foreign dignitaries, filled the pews of the majestic cathedral, a venue befitting Seaga's final send off.

In his tribute, Prime Minister Andrew Holness described Seaga as a "great leader, a Statesman, a visionary and a thinker," and a man of dignity, order and excellence; an indefatigable spirit; and a man with the courage of his conviction.

"He was a modern man, an architect, a teacher, a father, a mentor and friend - a man for all seasons, a man for all peoples," he said.

Holness recalled personal moments he shared with Seaga for whom he became a political aid in 1995, a role which sometimes required him to prepare speeches and conduct research.

"I learnt so much from him through these encounters of research and intellectual discourse," he said.

The Prime also recalled a particularly "touching but profound moment" when Seaga held his hands, just as the first Prime Minister of Jamaica and National Hero Sir William Alexander Bustamante had done for Seaga, reminding him "don't forget the poor."

"Mr Seaga never lost sight of the reason why he entered politics - to help the 'have nots' join the ranks of the 'haves'. All his work, from culture to sports, education, justice, the economy, music, everything - all his work has been beneficial to the poor," Holness said.

Also sharing personal experiences he had with Seaga, Prime Minister of Grenada, Dr Keith Mitchell, said he felt a profound sense of loss, noting that Seaga was a Caribbean icon.

"His entire life's work may have labelled him a Jamaican, but for many of us elsewhere in the region, Eddie was a Caribbean man, a champion of regional integration (and) movement and one who advocated for change to improve the process that unites us all," he said.

Mitchell, who was among several Heads of State and Government officials from the Caribbean who were in attendance, noted that Seaga was a true friend of his country.

He said that as a Grenadian, he was grateful for Seaga's "bold and decisive actions" in 1983 when his country was "reeling from the effects of a political crisis", when "Eddie demonstrated what it was to be your brother's keeper".

Referring to Seaga's support for the United States invasion of Grenada following a military coup in the island, Prime Minister Mitchell said: "There may not have been unanimous support for the course of action taken then, but you were acting in Grenada's best interest and for that we thank you."

He said Seaga's support for Grenada was epitomized by his attendance of the official ceremony for the elected government in 1984 after the invasion and he remained a friend of the country until his death.

For Seaga's cousin, Metry Seaga, 'Uncle Eddie', as he affectionately called him, was a complex individual who was "comfortable dining with kings and queens but just as comfortable eating a roast yam and saltfish with a boiled corn".

He noted that Seaga sacrificed his own wellbeing and that of his family to serve his country and citizens "owe a huge debt of gratitude to the people that loaned him to us...his family."

He also read a note written by Seaga's youngest daughter, 16-year-old Gabrielle, who said: "You have been my hero and a wonderful father."

"I am thankful for the experiences and memories that we shared and for all that you taught me," she added.

In his tribute, former Prime Minister P.J. Patterson described Seaga as a "titanic warrior" who was propelled by an indomitable will to succeed in whatever he did.

He also applauded "the monumental contribution and its high qualitative value which Edward Seaga has made...to the people he served diligently and led with such singular devotion."

"The death of the last surviving member of that joint legislative team which crafted our independence and Constitution is a defining moment in our history.



► The late Edward Seaga

It allows us to commemorate the glory of our ancestors as we honour one from this generation whose memory will never perish," he said.

Delivering the eulogy, Minister of Local Government and Community Development Desmond McKenzie, said Seaga was a great son of Jamaica and father to many institutions and one of the greatest leaders of modern Jamaica.

He also shared the tremendous impact Seaga had on his life, treating him like a son and profoundly guiding his development.

"The achievements I have had are because of the nurturing and teaching I constantly received as an adopted son of Edward Phillip George Seaga," he said, adding that he and others have benefited from Seaga's guidance and are living his legacy.

"I am forever grateful to him, West Kingston is grateful to him for the interest he has shown in us and an unwavering commitment to us. He saw us as people, worthy individuals, and he worked hard for us."

When the service ended, Seaga's casket, draped in the Jamaican flag, was placed on a gun carriage.

As the walking funeral procession pulled away from the church, the first round of a 19-gun salute by the Jamaica Defence Force punctuated the air, with other rounds following at one minute intervals up until arrival at National Heroes Park, where Seaga was laid to rest.

Seaga served as Prime Minister from 1980 to 1989. He represented the constituency of West Kingston for 43 years, from 1962 until his retirement from active politics in 2005. He died on May 28 in a hospital in the United States on his 89th birthday.



► Edward Seaga's body being led into the Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity in downtown Kingston for his state funeral (Credit: JIS)

## MEET THE 2019 GOVERNOR'S CONSERVATION AWARDS WINNERS

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Bodden Town Heritage Committee - The Bodden Town Heritage Committee consists of several senior citizens who volunteer their time to the preservation of our islands' historical and cultural legacy. The Bodden Town Historical Site at the Harold McCoy Snr. Park is the largest and most significant of its kind in the Cayman Islands, housing an invaluable collection of thousands of local artifacts portraying the history and culture of the Cayman Islands with special emphasis on the Bodden Town district. The group offers free tours of its three historic properties - the Nurse Josie Senior Centre, the Heritage House and a tradi-

tional Caymanian kitchen - and is often called upon to visit schools to share their knowledge with local students.

**Gordon Solomon** - A common thread in Gordon Solomon's artwork is the Cayman Islands' historical and cultural make-up. His paintings are synonymous with capturing the serenity of the Cayman Islands of yesteryear and naturally imparts our heritage and culture. In addition, he was also a founding member of the Cayman National Cultural Foundation's Folk Choir and wrote two folk songs himself - "Christmas Breeze" and "I Will Wuk" which speaks to the beloved cooler weather found only during Cayman's Christmas and the strong work ethics and versatility of our people, respectively.

**John Doak** - John Doak's reputation as a preservationist and promoter of "things Caymanian" is known through his work as a long-standing architect in the Cayman Islands. His "Cayman Style" designs reflect, preserve or develop upon traditional Caymanian homes: the thatched cabana, the wattle and daub cottage, the bungalow and the modern concrete building. One of his first projects in the Cayman Islands in 1979 was the restoration of a traditional Caymanian home; he has also been involved in the renovation and preservation of the Cayman Islands National Museum, Pedro St. James, Miss Lassie's House, the Pink Bush House and the restoration and relocation of the Watler House.

**YOUTH BLUMENTHAL CONSERVATION AWARD**  
**Protect Our Future Cayman** - Protect Our Future Cayman is an environmental advocacy group led by four Cayman International School students: Richard Weber, Olivia Zimmer, Jack Paolini and Mikayla Corin. The group began as a photo campaign with powerful messages which appealed to the local community to protect environmentally-sensitive land and native species that were most important. Since then, the group has organised a school "walk out" to send a message to the Cayman Islands Government - and the world at large - that their young voices matter.



# Neymar seeks shock move

Neymar Jr is so unhappy at Paris St-Germain that a return to Barcelona where he left two years ago for a world record fee of around \$240 million has become a real possibility.

The move to Paris was supposed to be the chance for Neymar to step out of Barcelona superstar Lionel Messi's shadow, but has not worked as planned.

The Brazil forward has hit the headlines for the right and wrong reasons since leaving the Spanish giants to live in the French capital. He's scored 34 goals in 37 league appearances to help them to consecutive Ligue 1 titles. But injury and flashes of indiscipline has also marked his time there.

He's also been banned for three games for lashing out at a fan after PSG's shock French Cup final defeat, reportedly been involved in a dressing-room incident with his team-mates, and will miss his next three European matches for insulting officials.

And he's been stripped of the Brazil captaincy just before their home Copa America. No wonder Neymar's spell at Parc des Princes could be nearing an end. "I do not want to play more in PSG. I want to go back to my house, where I should never have left," he allegedly told PSG president Nasser Al-Khelaifi in a text message.

So what happens now? Does he return to Barcelona? Or perhaps a move to the Premier League?

He has numerous possibilities but at 27 needs to show some maturity to really fulfil his potential. He is surrounded by a tight-knit entourage headed by his father Neymar Sr who seems to have too much influence on his decisions. Speculation is that Junior should break away from dad and tread his own path.

Despite Neymar's petulance and bratish behaviour, Barcelona players would be happy to welcome him back. He gets on extremely well with Messi, Luis Su-



► Neymar's indiscipline is working against him



► Eden Hazard is Real Madrid's star signing

arez and Gerard Pique - the three pillars of the Barcelona side.

In fact, most of his team-mates - certainly at Barcelona and the Brazilian national team - have a real bond with him, a very strong affection.

When Neymar moved to Paris he claimed it was not for money but to realise his potential. PSG owners intended on building a super team around him that would win the Champions League and dominate European football for years. It did not work out. Ultimately, he realises the move to PSG has been a massive mistake.

There is a lot of talk that he isn't training as well, that he's been too indulged at PSG and lost sharpness.

Some of those most worried are saying his career is in danger of going off the rails, a massive reason why he needs to get out of that environment.

The move was part of a quest to be voted the best player in the world and win the Ballon d'Or. It is a Brazilian obsession.

So many Brazilians won it in the previous two decades, it set the bar. How could he win it when he was always sec-

ond fiddle in the Barcelona side? Neymar won two La Liga titles and a Champions League with Barcelona.

Even when he does do something for PSG in the league, it is immediately shot down by absolutely everyone for it being a "farmer's league" and doing it against defenders that wouldn't cut it anywhere else.

It leaves him in a position where he must shine in the most enormous games - when he's probably lacking fitness and time against world-class defences.

The Premier League is one of the very few competitions in the world with clubs that could afford him - but would they risk it?

He struggles with the physicality of Ligue 1 so would find it much harder in the Premier League. He is notorious for diving and play-acting which would not go down well in England.

Now that Real Madrid have got Eden Hazard, Neymar would be superfluous, although Real were interested in him before the PSG move. That ship seems to have sailed and it's all on Barcelona now. 🌐

## Windies need to win last three

West Indies must win all three remaining games to have a realistic chance of reaching the semi-finals at the World Cup in England and Wales.

They play India on Thursday, Sri Lanka on Monday and Afghanistan next week Thursday in their final group game. England, India and New Zealand look the most likely to reach the semis and the fourth berth is wide open. West Indies are making things unnecessarily hard for themselves.

That was shown in their latest match, on Saturday, against New Zealand. It was not the fairy tale ending the West Indies had three years ago in Kolkata, but Carlos Brathwaite did his sensational best to replicate it before he was last man out for an 82-ball 101 in the five-run loss to New Zealand.

In the 2016 Twenty20 World Cup final in India, Brathwaite hit four sixes in a row to power the West Indies to an unlikely win over England, but this time his mighty blow to long on was within a metre of giving his team only their second victory at the 2019 50-over World Cup.



► Carlos Brathwaite's heroics fell a little short

Trent Boult, one of New Zealand's heroes on a remarkably nerve-racking day at Old Trafford, held on safely even as he teetered near the boundary's edge with Brathwaite and the rest of the West Indies virtually willing the ball over the fence.

That catch terminated the West Indies innings on 286 with an over to spare in reply to New Zealand's 291-8.

New Zealand, who remain unbeaten at the tournament, reclaimed top spot with 11 points, and are virtually safe for a semi-final place, while West Indies stay seventh with three points.

Mathematically, the Caribbean men can still reach the last four, but the combination of factors needed to go their way is nigh on impossible. 🌐

## US women 'best ever side'

The United States Women's World Cup team believes it is the best American team ever at the tournament. And that was even before Monday's game against Spain.

A US starting line-up comprised mostly of backups strolled past Chile at the tournament in France last week, prompting the long-time national team defender Ali Krieger to say that the US has the top team in the tournament "and the second-best team."

On Saturday, Krieger raised eyebrows for the second time when she claimed that this is the most powerful USWNT ever.

With three World Cup titles and four Olympic gold medals to their credit, the American programme is easily the most successful in women's soccer history. The current version sure looks unstoppable, too, having scored a record 18 goals in their first three games while allowing none in the group stage for the first time.

"I think this is the best team we've had," Krieger said. "In every single position we have multiple players we can get



► Ali Krieger is a rock in the US Women's defence

the job done. There's no specific starting 11 - I think each and every one of us is capable enough to get into the game and be a starter. I don't know if I could say that from previous teams."

Krieger, 36, was too young to play on team that won the inaugural Women's World Cup in 1991, or defeated China on home soil in the 1999 final.

But she was a member of the 2011 squad that finished runners-up to Japan, and she started every game for the team that brought home the world title from Canada four years ago.

Yet as dominant as this USWNT has been so far - the bookies have made FIFA's top-ranked side the overwhelming favourite to repeat as champions - the final is still two weeks away. 🌐

## Toronto launch website to keep Leonard

After Kawhi Leonard helped deliver the Toronto Raptors their first-ever NBA title, all eyes have quickly shifted to the superstar's impending free agency.

Fans across the country have showered Leonard with attention seemingly everywhere he's gone in public since the Raptors' season ended, including at Niagara Falls, Home Depot, and at the Rogers Centre during a recent Toronto Blue Jays game. And with every new destination where Leonard pops up, speculation and angst surrounding where he'll play next season only intensifies.

While all the attention Leonard's received is certainly warranted given the monumental impact of the championship he helped deliver the city, Toronto mayor John Tory and Raptors superfan

Nav Bhatia are providing fans a new, less invasive way to show their appreciation.

The pair have launched a website titled KawhiUShouldStay.com, which allows fans to sign a petition and leave comments for Leonard hoping to convince the forward to stay in Toronto next season.

"You know what this represents for people? This represents a way in which we can be passionate about getting Kawhi Leonard to stay in Toronto, but to do it in the Toronto way," Tory said about the new website. "The Toronto way says we do it quietly, we do it in a determined way, but we make sure we all make our voice heard through something like a petition so that he can enjoy our city." 🌐



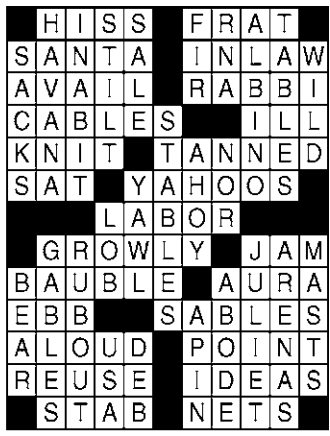
► Kawhi Leonard is under tremendous pressure to stay in Toronto



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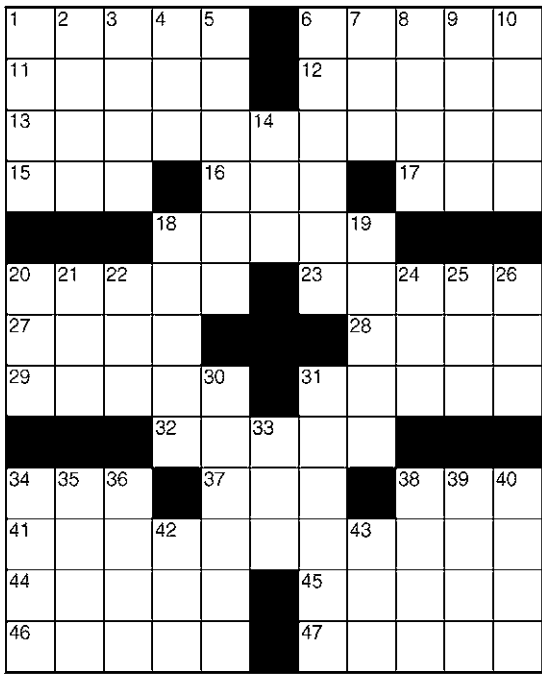
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  - 31 Knuckleheads
  - 33 Pull gently
  - 34 Oil container
  - 35 Car
  - 36 Narrow cut
  - 38 Bakery buy
  - 39 Europe neighbor
  - 40 Manual reader
  - 42 Bar cubes
  - 43 Maui souvenir



Yesterday's answer

- 20 Debate side
- 21 Crone
- 22 — Abner
- 24 Sister, of sorts
- 25 Mamie's man
- 26 Homer's neighbor
- 30 Wave or wink
- 31 Knuckleheads
- 33 Pull gently
- 34 Oil container
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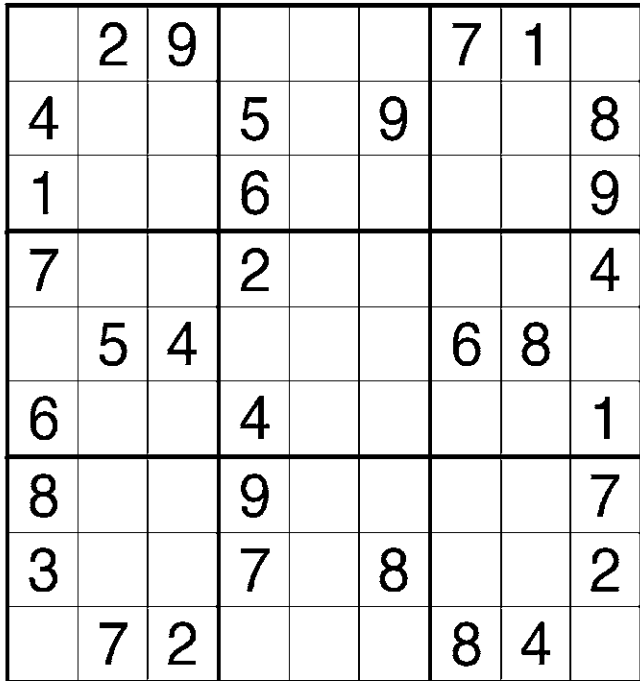
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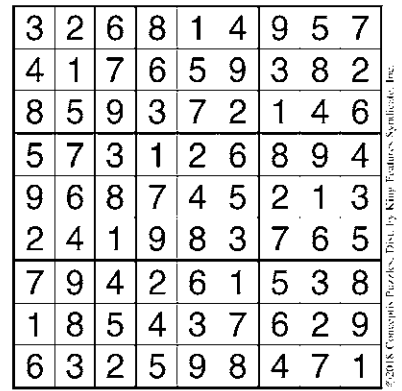
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Answer to previous puzzle



Difficulty Level ★★

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Word Search



Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, back, up, down and diagonally.

- Abscond
- Adieu
- Adios
- Arrivederci
- Cheerio
- Ciao
- Clear out
- Decamp
- Depart
- Egress
- Elope
- Evacuate
- Exit
- Farewell
- Flit
- Goodbye
- Hit the road
- Leave
- Move off
- Quit
- Retire
- Retreat
- Scram
- Set sail
- So long
- Vamoose
- Withdraw

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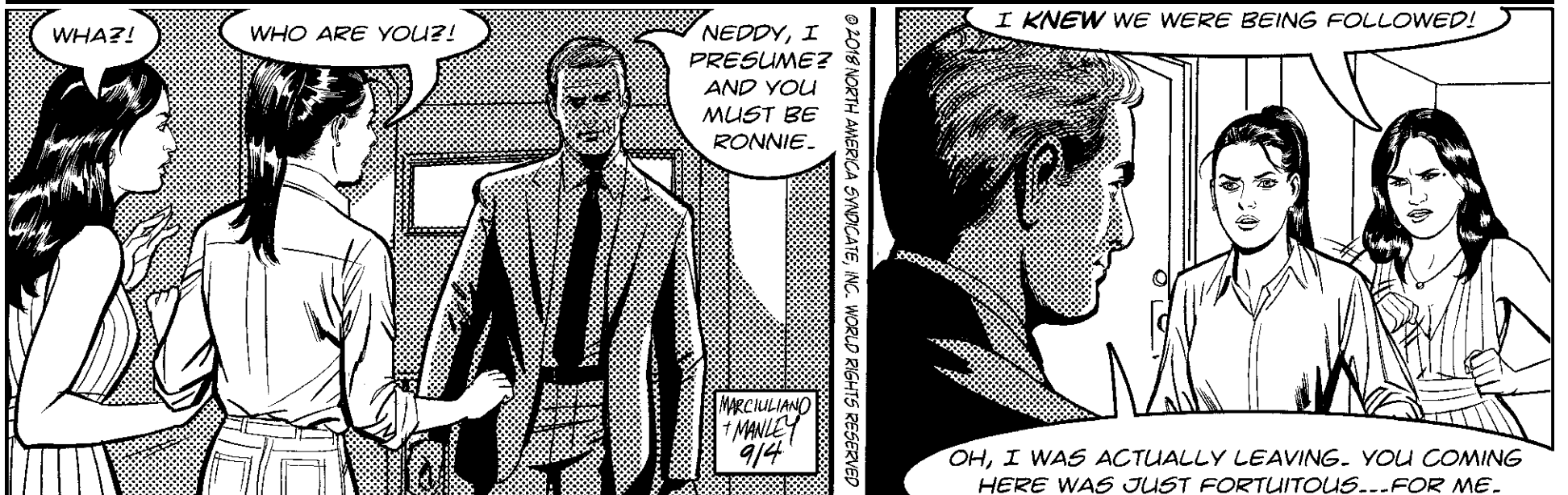
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