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Swimming heroes bring home huge treasures

Bringing home a huge haul of 56 medals including 18 gold 21 silver and 17 bronze from Barbados, Cayman's CARIFTA swimmers have surely made The Cayman Islands proud. The young swimmers enjoyed a heroes' homecoming, celebrating with family members and coaches and everyone else who had made it possible, at Owen Roberts International Airport. Everyone was waiting there, cameras and phones ready, for the homecoming heroes to emerge from the Arrivals entrance after the team had finished in Barbados. There were seven medals for artistic categories, followed by 49 medals won during the swimming competition from 20-24 April.

Jordan Crooks was just one of the many young swimming stars who have made Cayman so proud. He gained seven medals in all including a gold medal in the 200m freestyle, four silvers and two bronzes. "I medaled in the 50 backstroke, 200m freestyle, 100 freestyle, 200 butterfly 50 freestyle and multiple relays," he said. "My favorite race was

the 200 freestyle because I didn't think I was going to win it. I was not ceded very well going into it but somehow I found the speed and won, so I am grateful for that. It means a lot to me because I have never medaled at Carifta before and this is my sixth time. It took a lot of hard work to get here and I want to thank my coach, and my parents because it's been a long, hard road. But it finally paid off."

Talking about the atmosphere at the games, Jordan said: "The competition in Barbados was probably the best I've had in my Carifta years. all the countries that did show up put up a really good fight, and it was really good competing with them. I am really proud of my team I think we came together. We were really unified this year. We weren't as big as we usually are but we still had a big presence in the stadium."

Sebine Ellison, 16 won 4 medals: "I won a gold in the 200 m breast stroke, and a silver in the 400 Individual Medley and a silver

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► The first contingent of young homecoming swimming heroes, bringing their haul of gold, silver and bronze with them

Then and Now: Dining and Food

Before the rapid development of the Cayman Islands that took place over the latter part of the 20th Century and in the last two decades, the Caymanian diet was straightforward and pretty basic – you ate what you grew, what you fished and what you caught or raised. And despite the influx of international culinary influences of today, many of the dishes that were born from humble ingredients and rudimentary cooking methods are still hugely popular on the Caymanian table today.

The Cayman Islands National Archives notes that breakfast would be tea and fritters, while cassava was a must for every family in years gone by. Sugar cane was grown everywhere and ground in a mill each evening. Rundown, a soup made with vegetables and fish, was the daily staple for most households, with pork, turtle or chicken often on the table on Sunday.

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► Two women serving food at a beach party held at the Bath House, 1938. (Photo courtesy The Cayman Islands National Archive Photographic Collections)

Six month Vehicle License Amnesty



► DVDL Red Bay

The Department of Vehicle and Drivers' Licensing (DVDL) is launching its amnesty on Monday, 29 April 2019. The aim is to hit reset for persons who have accrued a mounting backlog of fees for unlicensed vehicles, no matter the reason.

The amnesty will run for six months and will end on Friday, 1 November 2019; once the amnesty process has concluded, customers will no longer be able to write off back fees and will, again, become liable for the costs associated with their unlicensed vehicle.

There are several options available to customers under the amnesty. Simply put: if your vehicle is roadworthy, keep your registration plates.

Customers who wish to relicense, sell or transfer ownership of their vehicle should come into their local DVDL office (Crewe Road, Breakers, Cayman Brac or Little Cay-

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DVDL Announces Six Month Amnesty

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man) to have their vehicle inspected. They can then relicense at any DVDL location, avoiding the fees that have accrued during the unlicensed period. It is important that customers choosing this amnesty pathway do not place their registration plates into the amnesty drop boxes, which will be stationed at all DVDL locations.

If the vehicle is not yet roadworthy, customers are asked to visit the DVDL location to suspend their vehicle until repairs are complete and it is ready for use (owners are to retain their plates). Customers should note that they must suspend their vehicle within the amnesty period to avoid further back-fees.

If the vehicle is still in the owner's possession, but will not return to the road, customers are asked to remove the plates, drop them off at any DVDL location and take the vehicle to the George Town Landfill.

Lastly, if the vehicle is no longer in the legal owner's possession, such as those persons whose vehicles may have been destroyed in a natural disaster, but they still have the registration plates, those can be dropped off with no questions asked. This can be done with or without the corresponding log book, at any DVDL location.

Hon. Minister Joey Hew explained the benefits of the amnesty: "Government has recognised that circumstances beyond some persons' control may have led to a backlog of fees going back to Ivan in some cases; some were unable

to keep up with the fees, whereas others just forgot to terminate the vehicle prior to disposal. In response, Government has made the decision to provide a one-time relief for persons to catch up with their licensing fees and bring vehicles back into compliance to clear up the register without penalty".

Other aims of the amnesty include reducing the number of unsightly and abandoned vehicles across the country. The DVDL encourages all owners of derelict vehicles to dispose of their cars and trucks responsibly at the George Town Landfill, if they no longer wish to drive them. They also wish to remind registered owners that they can face charges under the Cayman Islands Litter Law if vehicles are left derelict and abandoned.

Alongside the opportunities afforded by the amnesty, the DVDL would also like to remind all customers that they can benefit from the Department's online Guest Vehicle Renewal Service. This can be found on both the DVDL's website: www.dvdl.gov.ky or through the e-services portal: www.eservices.gov.ky. They can also check whether new plates are ready for collection, using the online tool on the DVDL website.

The online renewal service applies to vehicles that have old or new style plates. Customers should ensure their vehicle has been inspected and then input their plate number and upload a digital or scanned copy of their insurance showing the vehicle is currently covered. Payment for both renewal and inspection can be made through the online portal. [🌐](#)

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DCFS Seeks Hurricane Shelter Volunteers for Upcoming Season

With the 2019 hurricane season starting 1 June, the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) is now seeking persons interested in becoming shelter volunteers in Grand Cayman.

As part of its annual hurricane shelter volunteer programme, the DCFS, in partnership with the Hazard Management Cayman Islands (HMCI) is holding training sessions on Monday, 27 and Tuesday, 28 May 2019.

This year, DCFS plans on training approximately 100 volunteers. This number will ensure there is an adequate pool of volunteers to draw from to assist with shelter operations in the event of a hurricane during the six-month long season.

Persons interested in volunteering for hurricane shelter training must sign up on or before Friday, 17 May. Interested parties are required to attend both

training sessions from 5.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. at John Gray School Hall. Those who completed their training in 2017 and 2018 need not attend the upcoming sessions but must still register.

During the sessions, attendees will be instructed in all areas of shelter management. Trainee volunteers will learn, among other procedures: basic radio skills to liaise with the National Emergency Operations Centre; the rules and regulations governing the shelter; child protection protocol; the hurricane activation stages; safety precautions including an understanding of what items are not allowed in a shelter.

Once volunteers complete the DCFS/HMCI training, they will receive certification and their contact details will be added to the register of volunteers.

Some of the 16 shelters in Grand Cayman will be staffed by Cayman Islands Red Cross volunteers. Additionally, some



shelters are designated as Emergency Medical Shelters which will be staffed by Health Services Authority personnel.

To sign up to attend this year's hurricane shelter training sessions, email DCFS.SMT@gov.ky or call 949-0920.

Swimming heroes bring home huge treasure haul from Barbados

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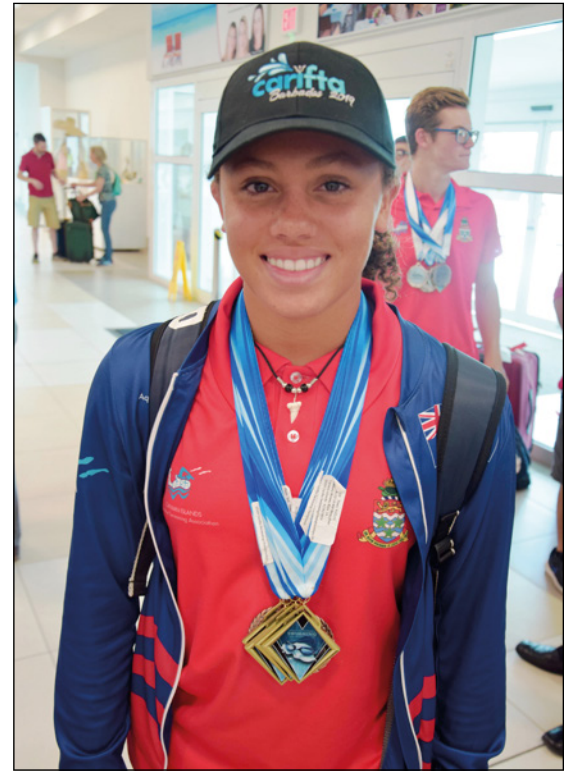
in the 4x200 relay and a bronze in the 4x300 m relay," she said. "I lost my voice but we that is all part of the fun for me because we are really a supportive team. It was really good this year." Standing right beside her, team member Lila Higgo, 11, won five medals in total: "I won a medal in 200 IM, the 100 backstroke 200 backstroke 50 breaststroke and 100 breaststroke and in the 4x100 relay came third," said. "I am very pleased with my achievement."

Kyra Rabess, 14, said: "I got four medals. I got two gold and two bronze medals, I got two golds for the relays, and one bronze for my individual event. I did very well considering that last year I didn't get as many medals. We all worked together very well."

Raya Embury-Brown, 14, brought home a total of seven medals, including four golds. She was very pleased with her performance, she said. She gained her gold medals in the 400m and 800m free-style, and did better than she expected, she said. She also gained golds in two relays.



► Kyra Rabess



► Raya Embury-Brown



► Jordan Crooks

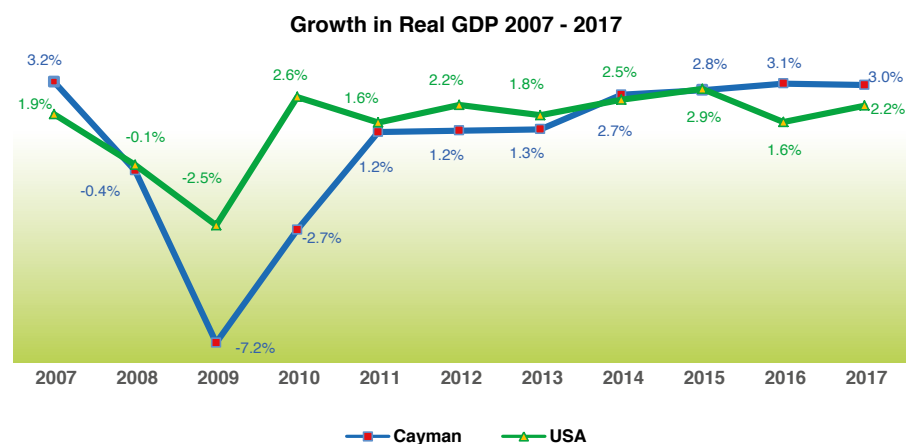


► (L-r) Lila Higgo and Sebina Ellison



Business Survey 2018 Your Response Matters!

In 2017, Cayman's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) continued to outpace the growth for the USA albeit at a marginally slower rate.



How did this change in 2018?

The annual System of National Accounts (SNA) survey collects the information necessary to measure the health and performance of Cayman's economy and its various industries.

The survey runs from April 8th to June 7th 2019.

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Captive insurance industry broadens in 2019

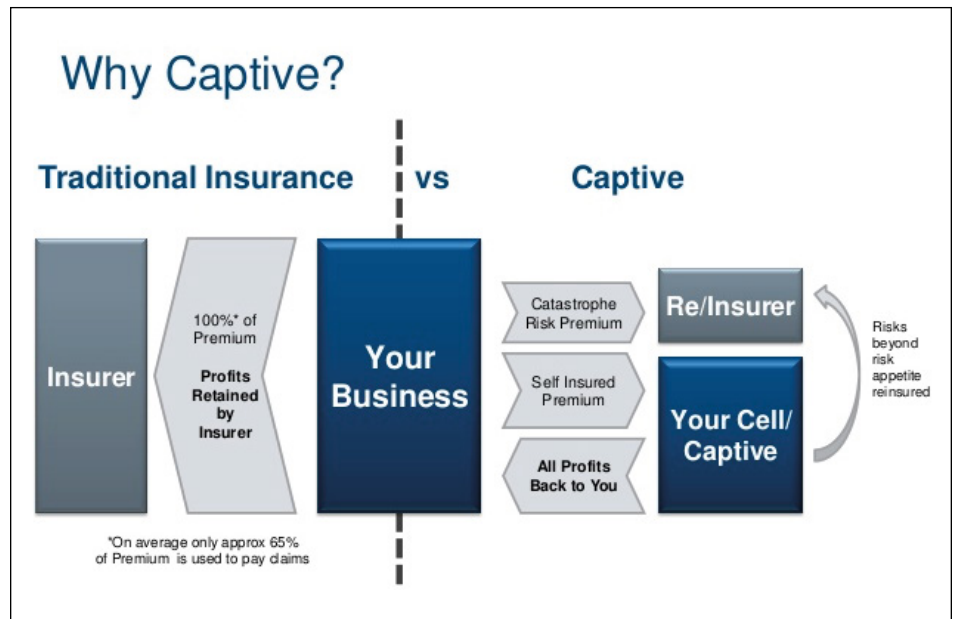
Cayman's captive insurance industry has already seen some positive numbers for 2019, with 13 new (re) insurance company licences issued in the first quarter of 2019, and since then, a further three more, according to statistics released by the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority.

Cayman sits just behind Bermuda in terms of the volume of (re) insurance companies that are set up, and now Cayman is catching up quickly, and is doing very well when it comes to particular types of insurance companies, in particular in the areas of group captives, digital assets and reinsurance. These are new and evolving areas of this particular sector of the financial services industry in which Cayman is excelling.

The Insurance Managers Association of Cayman's Chair, Erin Brosnihan, said that these trends were a positive sign for Cayman.

"We are confident of two distinct trends," she said. "First, the largest and most complex captives are most definitely Cayman's area of speciality, and second, we are witnessing an upsurge in new risk areas, showcasing the expertise of our managers, service providers and our regulator."

Even though volumes are down in the overall numbers of captive insurance companies due to various market forces, the Cayman Islands is still one of the world's leading group captive jurisdictions, with 120 group captives totalling \$3,013,772,649 in premiums from more than 5,000 shareholder-insureds, a release from IMAC said. [f](#)



► The magnificent frigate bird in full flight over Little Cayman (Jane Haakonsson)

Seabird study tracks 'sky pirates' through British Caribbean Overseas Territories

An international effort aimed at tracking some of the Caribbean region's most important avian predators is under way, thanks to a newly obtained U.K. Darwin grant provided by the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra).

A small team, including Liverpool University PhD Rhiannon Austin, Milan University PhD student Federico De Pascalis and Department of Environment (DoE)

Terrestrial Resources Unit Research Officer Jane Haakonsson placed tracking devices on 26 magnificent frigatebirds (sometimes called 'frigates' or 'Man-o-wars'), located at the Booby Pond Colony in Little Cayman.

The initial tagging effort took place in March and April and the live tracks of the birds' foraging trips are already being streamed into an online bank of data. The tracking devices last up to

nine months and tagging efforts will continue through July.

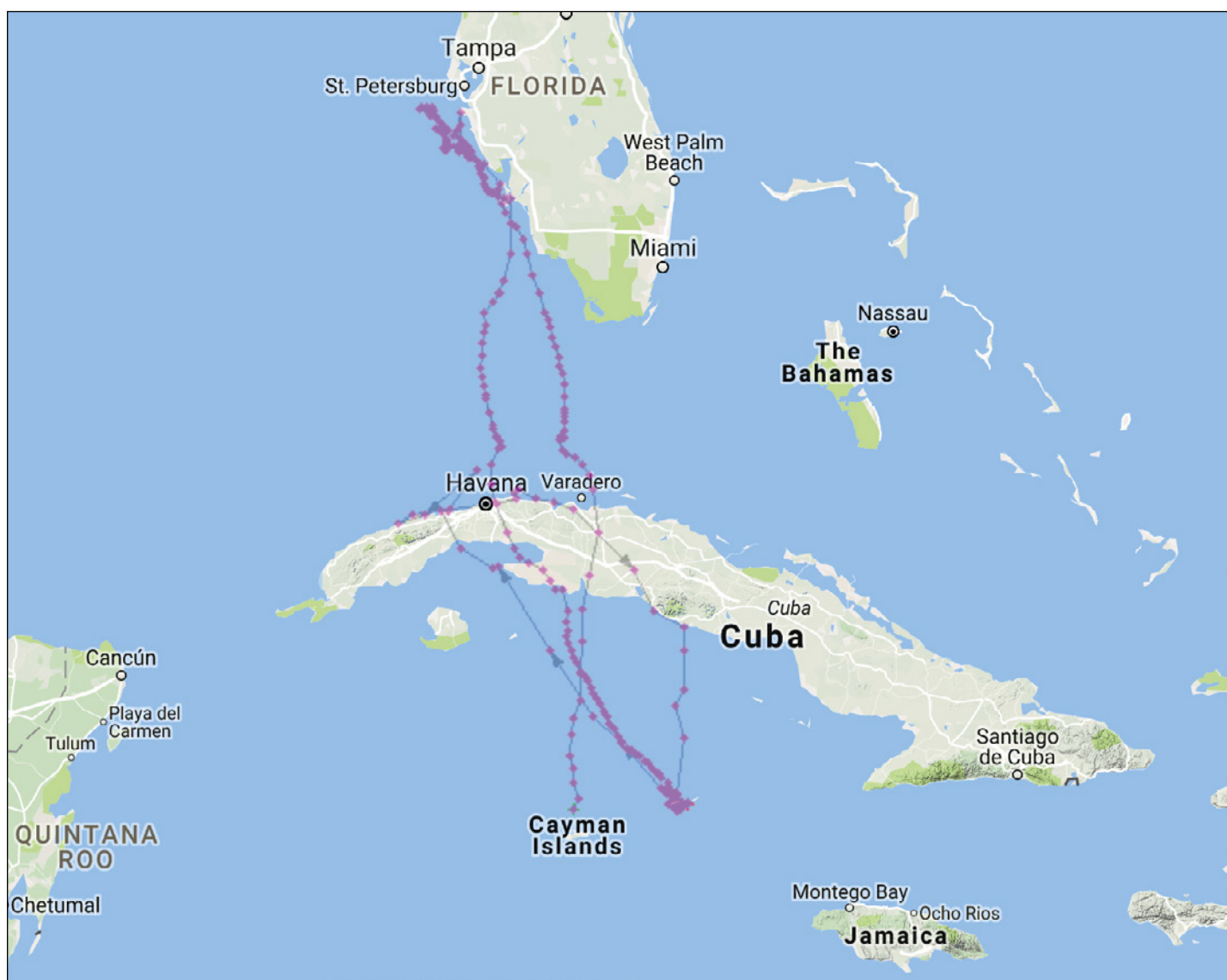
"Seabirds, as apex avian predators, are effective indicators of marine biodiversity hotspots and ocean health," said Ms. Haakonsson. "This study will help us track the frigatebirds over long distances, so we can learn, among other things, whether they have established connections between bird colonies in the region. Such data on ecosystem connec-

tivity is important to inform resource managers."

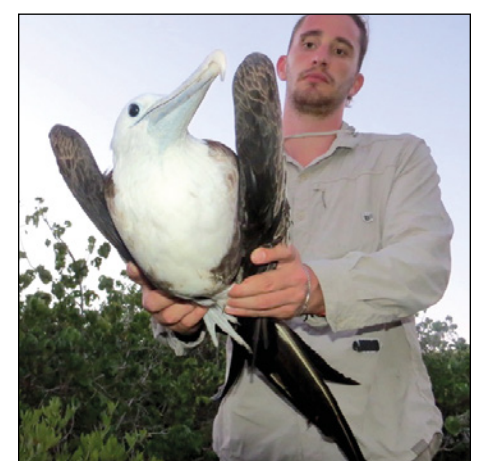
Ecosystem connectivity is the functional links between ecosystems in different locations. Connected ecosystems that provide for animal and plant migration can help sustain natural areas, even if they are close to human population centres.

The Darwin-funded project will continue to track both adult and juvenile magnificent frigatebirds using Global Positioning System (GPS) - Global System for Mobile communications (GSM) loggers from multiple populations in the Caribbean British Overseas Territories including Anguilla, the British Virgin Islands and the Cayman Islands. These data will inform regional-scale marine and coastal zone management, defining and designating vulnerable wetlands and marine habitats throughout the Caribbean.

Scientists will use movement data from Caribbean magnificent frigatebirds to support and help define the need for protected areas onshore, nearshore and offshore that can then be used to support regional conservation management. [f](#)



► A map showing some of the flight paths of frigatebirds between the Cayman Islands and the Florida panhandle



► Milan University PhD student Federico De Pascalis holds a magnificent frigatebird which is being tagged on Little Cayman as part of a Darwin-funded research project (Jane Haakonsson)

THEN AND NOW

This latest article in the Then and Now collection examines how far the Cayman Islands has risen when it comes to dining and food.

Humble dining to Caribbean foodie capital



► Modern day food festivals

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People fished for conch, whelks, fish and turtle, while maize, bananas, bottlers (small ‘apple’ bananas), cassava and yams were all popular fruit and vegetables grown. Maize was particularly useful because when it was ground it could be turned into dumplings, porridge, cakes and bread.

Bodden Town, North Side and East End were once the food producing districts of Grand Cayman. Farmers would send boat loads of produce to be sold in George Town. In the Colonial Report of 1937, it was estimated Cayman had 1,500 head of cattle, while most cottages kept pigs, the report noted. Poultry was also common and turkeys were also kept.

The CINA says that in 1901 a small store in West Bay carried items such as flour, sugar, cornmeal, aerated water and crackers, all of which were imported from Jamaica on sailing schooners which discharged their goods onto canoes about half a mile from the shore.

Beef was a luxury that one usually only consumed at Christmas, hence the famous Christmas beef that is highly an-

icipated even now at Christmas time. Christmas meats used to be baked in a huge iron pot on Christmas Eve and would last a few days into the holiday season.

Traditional cooking

Excerpts from the CINA’s Memory Banks reveal that the style of cooking has changed over the years. Pre 1950s cooking was not confined to one place, nor one source of heat, and could be done in the kitchen, in the cookroom, or in an outdoor caboose (a handmade device to contain a cooking fire), or on a woodstove (for the affluent), and later, a kerosene stove. Cooking also took place outdoors in a covered iron pot placed in a hole in the ground filled with hot coals.

Lilah Ebanks, born in 1921, remembers this process being used for baking cakes for weddings when she was young in West Bay.

She recalled: “...they could mix the cake inside the kitchen but they would go outside then to put the breadfruit leaves and thatch leaves around it to brown it. They used to call it ‘burning the coals down’, outside in a hole, and putting that big iron pot in that, then,

with that cake batter, ...and have a good cover on the pot, tight and good, and they put all those hot coals on it and then you brown your cake outside.”

Grace Bush, born in George Town in 1906, said that even though she had a woodstove, she preferred to bake her bread outside as it tasted better. Ms Bush remembered that she used to put a soaked banana leaf over her baked bread.

“I fancy that gave them even a better taste,” she said.

Food festivals galore

Fast forward to present day and the love of fritters, turtle meat, lobster and conch has not diminished among Caymanians, nor has the traditional heavy cake disappeared from the table. Instead, Cayman has been able to add to its culinary repertoire in a big way, embracing culinary influences from all around the world. Today we can dine in Italian, Asian, Mexican, Mediterranean, Indian and a whole lot more globally influ-

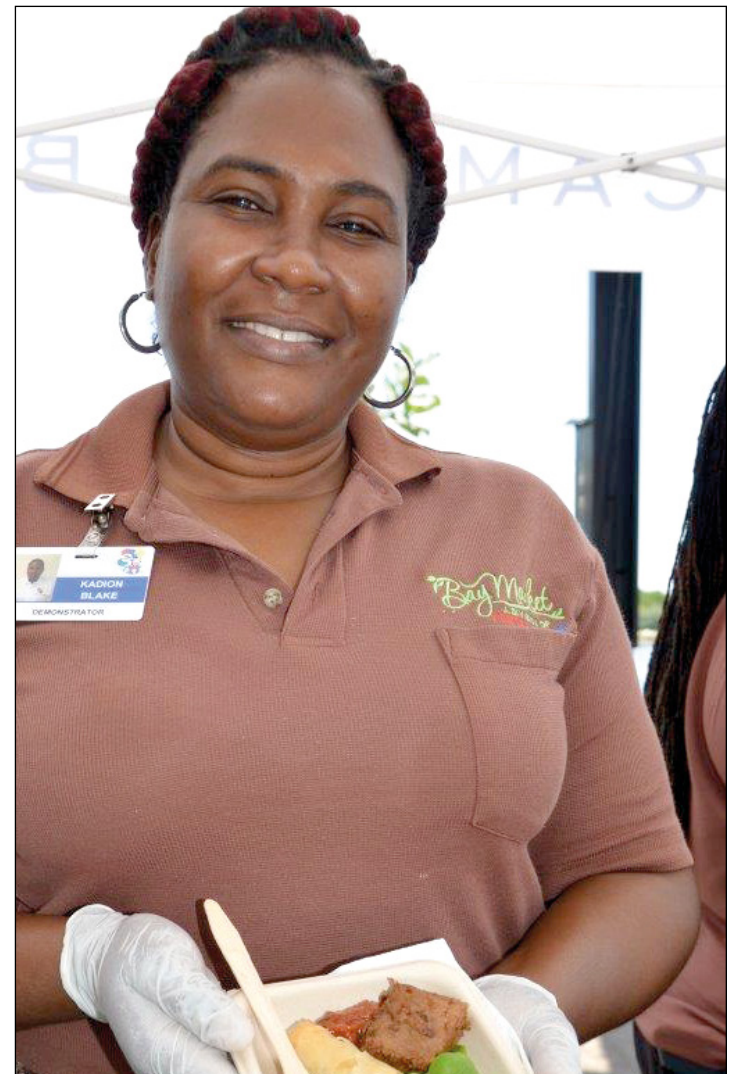
enced restaurants. We are also fortunate to have some exciting food festivals held in Cayman on a regular basis, including The Ritz-Carlton’s Cayman cookout, hosted by Michelin-starred Eric Ripert, which attracts some of America’s top chefs to Cayman’s shores every January. Taste of Cayman is a hugely popular food festival that takes place at Camana Bay and showcases the skills of Cayman’s chefs in bite-sized pieces. But speak to many Caymanians and they would still be just as happy with a bowl of conch chowder and some fritters.

Perhaps one of the most exciting aspects of the food scene in Cayman today is the swing towards farm-to-table or ocean-to-plate dining that has taken off in the past few years. It is almost as if Cayman’s culinary scene has come full circle, with local produce once again taking centre stage on the dining table. 🌱



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► Spearing lobsters – Benny and Urban, 1938. (Photo courtesy The Cayman Islands National Archive Photographic Collections)



► Local delicacies served at the Slow Food festival



► Local delicacies



► Preserves are still popular



► The Hon. Ezzard Miller, at right, organizer of the Rum Point Club outing for the district's seniors, chatting with a group at Tuesday's post-Easter outing



► A group of seniors relaxing at the beach outing at the Rum Point Club organised by the district's MLA the Hon. Ezzard Miller on Tuesday (April 23)

North Side MLA Hosts Seniors' Easter Beach Outing

While most people were getting back to work after the four-day weekend, North Side seniors were having their beach outing in the more tranquil post-holiday Rum Point ambience on Tuesday (April 23, 2019).

"We have a regular weekly seniors' fellowship in North Side at the United Church," MLA the Hon. Ezzard Miller explained, "but we wanted to do something special for seniors for Easter with-

out their having to compete with the holiday crowds."

Mr. Miller said that the weekly meetings are about fellowship, worship, and socializing, and that, while the venue is normally the United Church, all the district's churches participate in programme arrangements. These can include, Mr. Miller said, devotions, painting and craft activities, special informational sessions, and quite frequently a game of bingo.

Organising the outing for the seniors was truly a community effort, Mr. Miller said: Mr. John Buckley, the manager of Rum Point Club, hosted the seniors for lunch; Mr. Jesus Vasquez, front office supervisor, and Mr. Rupert Scotchman, manager of the house-keeping department, both of the Morrill's Tortuga Club, provided the beach towels for seniors who were intrepid enough to venture into the water; and the Department of Tourism provided sunscreen and sunglasses.

Mr. Miller singled out emergency medical technician (EMT) with the Health Services Authority (HSA), Mr. Kendal Connor, who gave up his day off from work to be available in case of any emergencies. The North Side Community Development Officer Flavia Gardner also attended.

For transporting the seniors to and from Rum Point, Mr. Miller rented a van from Economy Car Rental, whose management assisted by offering a substantial discount.

"We all wanted to send the message to our seniors that they are of value to the society and that we place a high prior-

ity on looking after them and ensuring that they do have opportunities to get out into the community, particularly to enjoy some recreation," Mr. Miller said.

After lunch on Tuesday, Mr. Miller's North Side personal assistant (PA), Mrs. Carol Saunders, led a bingo session and handed out prizes to winners. 📍



► Seniors relaxing at the beach outing at the Rum Point Club organised by the district's MLA the Hon. Ezzard Miller on Tuesday (April 23)



► Bingo — North Side Senior Ursula Parsons is a winner. Mrs. Carol Saunders, PA to MLA Ezzard Miller, hands out a token to one of the many winners for the afternoon beach outing organised by MLA the Hon. Ezzard Miller on Tuesday (23 April)

Crisis Centre partners with Mothers' Union to host fundraising Tea Party

Fundraising efforts continue for a new shelter for victims of domestic violence

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The Cayman Islands Crisis Centre (CICC), which provides safe shelter and support for a victims of domestic violence and their children, announces its collaboration with Mothers' Union to host the fundraising event, Raise your Teacup.



This event is an annual calendar fixture for Mothers' Union of St. George's Anglican Church, a non-profit ministry whose objective is to advance the Christian faith and Christian Family Life, within the Cayman community. This year, the Tea Party, usually held at the church, will be expanded in partnership with the Cayman Islands Crisis Centre, in an effort by the Mothers' Union to support the CICC fundraising initiatives.

All proceeds from this event will be used to fund the Crisis Centre's Raise the Roof project of building a new shelter for the victims of domestic violence.

"The Mothers' Union ministry fully supports the incredible work that the Cayman Islands Crisis Centre does, which is very much aligned with our own objectives to support and nurture the community. We felt strongly that our annual Tea Party event was a great way to partner with CICC and help raise more money for their 'Raise the Roof' initiative. We hope to partner on more initiatives in the future for the benefit of Cayman," said Karen Williams, Mothers' Union Enrolling Member.

The event, which will be held on Saturday May 11th between 3-6pm at The Westin hotel, will include an afternoon of high tea, fashion show and live and silent auctions. The Governor's wife, Mrs Elizabeth Roper, will also be in attendance as a special guest.

"We are extremely grateful for this generous opportunity to co-host the Mothers' Union annual Tea Party event for the benefit of our important fundraising project, 'Raise the Roof'. The 'Raise Your Teacup' event will significantly help us reach our goal to build a new shelter for the number of domestic violence victims that rely on us for care and support," said Michelle Lockwood, CICC Board Member and Chair of Fundraising Committee.

Tickets for the 'Raise Your Teacup' event are \$50 per person, or \$500 for a table of 10, and can be purchased online at cicc.ky/events and through <https://eventpro.ky/buytickets/raise-your-teacup/>

For other sponsorship opportunities or to support the work of the CICC, please email fundraising@cicc.ky. Thank you to our event sponsor, The Westin Seven Mile Beach Resort & Spa. 📍

DEFINITELY MAY: Theresa May turns the tables

No more 'maybees' about it, British Prime Minister Theresa May is definitely here to stay until she chooses to go - and on her own terms.

In a remarkable confluence of circumstances which have played right into her hands, in the space of an Easter holiday break, Mrs May has gone from 'needs to go' to 'best in show'...and possibly the best deal around for both the Conservatives and the Labour Party on Brexit.

The first order of business for Prime Minister May upon her return to work after the Easter break was to call a meeting of her cabinet to update on the state of Brexit.

At the same time, the ruling Conservative Party's influential 1922 Committee of backbenchers was meeting to consider possible new moves to oust her.

Mrs May's cabinet meeting only resulted in chiding the opposition Labour Party, accusing it of dragging its feet in talks with the government to find common ground on the UK's exit from the European Union.

Labour fired back a similar salvo, which just goes to show how entrenched the two political opponents are in their respective diametrically opposed positions on Brexit.

Despite ongoing attempts to craft something - somehow - that will get Mrs May's thrice-failed EU exit 'deal' through the parliament, that seems increasingly unlikely with each passing day.

And it's that very overture to the Labour Party by Prime Minister May that has put her in the crosshairs of some members of the powerful 1922 Committee - which began as a small gathering of new members elected in 1922, hence the name. In the ensuing years 'the Com-

mittee' has evolved to wield immense power and influence within the Conservative Party.

Mrs May survived such a move just last December.

1922 Committee rules say that a failed internal no-confidence vote can only be called again in a year's time.

However, with deepening rifts in the party over Mrs May's handling of Brexit, the 1922 Committee had gone as far this week as seeking to change those rules to force another no-confidence vote against her.

But Mrs May escaped again. The Committee decided there was more to lose than to gain by seeking to change leaders at this perilous political time for the party.

Maintaining the status quo is clearly more about preserving the Conservatives hold on power, albeit with Mrs May remaining at the helm.

For them, the unpalatable alternative now lies somewhere between losing further ground to the Labour Party, and the rise of the newest political kid on the block.

Attention is now refocused from a breakaway group of disgruntled MPs from both the Conservative and Labour parties who have called themselves Change UK, to the resurgence of arch-Brexiters Nigel Farage, former leader of the United Kingdom Independence Party (UKIP).

The rapid resurgence - and rebranding - of Mr Farage has been a shock to the British body politic and a wake-up call to the cat-and-mouse game being played out over Brexit by mainly Labour and the Conservatives.

Nigel Farage's new political endeavour reflects his embodiment as the architect of Brexit. It's called quite simply, The Brexit Party.

The rebrand only comes in Mr Farage's distancing of himself from UKIP - which he set up as being to the right of UK politics - but which he is now accusing of being too far right-wing.

His new Brexit Party, which in the space of a few weeks has pulled high profile like-minded Brexiters from within the Conservative Party onto its

candidate list, is already leading the opinion polls in the run-up to the 'still-likely-to-be-held' European parliamentary elections on May 23rd.

Brexit is the raison detre of Mr Farage's existence.

It's widely accepted that former Conservative prime minister, David Cameron, took a gamble in the 2015 UK general election by promising an EU referendum, primarily to appease right-wing Euro-sceptics in his own party, and possible defections from the Conservatives to Farage's then UKIP.

Prime Minister Theresa May wants to avoid having to hold EU elections. She had already missed the original March 29th EU departure deadline and had agreed to an extension with the European Commission.

After further consultations over further missed deadlines and new extensions, the newest departure target date is now October 31st this year.

But that's with the proviso that the UK must now take part in the elections for the European Parliament on May 23rd or leave without a deal on June 1st.

'No-deal', although favoured by some Brexit hard-liners within the ruling Conservatives, is not the preferred option; not even now by Mrs May herself who has recanted from her previous mantra of 'no deal is better than a bad deal'.

Nor is it favoured by the Labour Party and most of British business.

Out of self-interest, mainly trade, the EU also flinches at it.

But holding the EU parliamentary elections is Nigel Farage's Brexit Party's trump card.

(Pardon the pun, but Mr Farage is also a close ally of US president Donald Trump).

The EU elections will be an excellent gauge for Farage's Brexit Party which is already leading the Conservatives and Labour in the UK opinion polls as the party to 'deliver Brexit'.

What's more important for them though, is the high profile it will bring, signalling that The Brexit Party is the new force to be reckoned with in British politics, especially in time for the next UK general election.



▶ UK Prime Minister Theresa May

With the almost irreparable splits in the two main parties - the Conservatives and Labour - and other parties struggling to make an impact, the way ahead is clear for a Farage juggernaut to fill the gap.

Donald Trump did it in the United States, and like the US, British politics is poised to undergo a major shift unlike anything seen recently.

That's why the Conservatives cannot take the risk now of forcing out Theresa May.

That's also why she needs to do everything to avoid the UK taking part in the EU elections.

Despite the ongoing costly and legally-required preparations, to participate will be too much of a political gamble and price to pay, especially for the Conservatives.

There might be no 'Maybees' about it; Labour and Conservatives will need to agree on a deal to take the UK out of the EU before May 23rd.

It's getting very late in the day...and Nigel Farage and his Brexit Party are closing in.

Remember, he had already taken the UKIP party into the European parliament where it holds the majority of seats allocated to the UK.

Many of those UKIP candidates are now signing on to his new Brexit Party.

The month of May is going to be very decisive for British politics, and particularly challenging for Prime Minister May...definitely no maybees about that.



▶ UK Prime Minister Theresa May and Leader of the Brexit Party Nigel Farage

Vaccination Week in the Americas 2019

By Minister for Health, Environment, Culture and Housing Hon. Dwayne Seymour, JP, MLA

This week the Cayman Islands has once again joined in the observance of Vaccination Week in the Americas (20-27 April 2019).

The 2019 campaign slogan "Protect your community. Do your part. #GetVax" reminds us all that we each have an important role to play in supporting vaccination and keeping deadly diseases at bay. This call to action extends to the general public, but also to health care workers, donors and decision makers across two continents.

The recent Pan American Health Organisation (PAHO) alert requesting public health departments around the Caribbean to be on the lookout for imported cases of measles and rubella, only highlights how important vaccinations are to protecting the health of our people.

This alert followed two confirmed cases of measles imported to the region from Europe, as well as confirmed measles outbreaks in 22 of the United States.

While the Cayman Islands has been measles free for some time now, if we intend to remain that way we must be ready for anything that may occur.

As such earlier this month health care professionals from the public and private sectors came together for a measles outbreak workshop and simulation. The purpose of the exercise, which was led by PAHO, was to work through how we would action a measles outbreak.

Given our size, our measles-free status and the highly contagious nature of the disease such planning is essential and my thanks go out to all who took part in this exercise.

This Saturday, 27 April, public health authorities will take a further step further towards protecting our community. They have organised a special immunisation clinic at the Public Health Department at the Cayman Islands Hospital, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. where parents may bring all children needing vaccinations, including those with missed or outstanding doses.

We in the Cayman Islands owe the hard working staff of the Public Health Department a debt of gratitude. Over the last several decades the Department's robust immunisation programme has eliminated from our shores small pox, polio, neonatal tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis, measles, rubella (German measles), mumps,

and tuberculous meningitis.

This reflects the world-leading work being done across the Americas which, in the 17 years since Vaccination Week began, has immunised 740 million people and eliminated six diseases.

As Minister of Health, I urge you to continue to do everything you can to protect our community. In particular you should regularly check your immunisation status and that of family members. This includes checks for any boosters that may be needed and for vaccinations that are required before travel.

For additional information please contact the Public Health Department at 244-2648.

Allow me to end by wishing continued good health to all within the Cayman Islands.



▶ Minister for Health, Environment, Culture and Housing Hon. Dwayne Seymour, JP, MLA

Disease	Before Vaccines	After Vaccines	Achievements
Polio	234,240 (1951-1955)	0 (1998-2017)	ELIMINATED
Measles	1,004,272 (1980-1986)	4,924 (2010-2016)	ELIMINATED
Rubella	370,567 (1987-2001)	66 (2010-2016)	ELIMINATED
Neonatal Tetanus	6,532 (1987-2001)	121 (2010-2016)	ELIMINATED
Diphtheria	22,238 (1987-2001)	180 (2010-2016)	UNDER CONTROL
Pertussis	459,717 (1987-2001)	284,883 (2010-2016)	UNDER CONTROL

Introducing New Vaccines in the Americas

Vaccine	Deaths Before Vaccine Introduction	Countries and Territories
Rotavirus	~15,000 deaths in < 5 years	20
Pneumococcus	12,000 to 28,000 deaths in < 5 years	30
Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	24,526 deaths due to cervical cancer in the Americas	30

There is still work to be done

1.4 million children in the Region of the Americas do not complete their basic vaccination schedule each year

Vaccination Week in the Americas

Each April since 2003, Vaccination Week in the Americas (VWA) draws attention to the work of national immunization programs and their efforts to improve access to life-saving vaccines.

More than 700 million people have been vaccinated under the umbrella of this initiative.

In subsequent years, other regions of the world have joined forces to create similar initiatives and the first World Immunization Week was celebrated in 2012.

www.paho.org/immunization #GetVax

Tourist arrival records continue

Strong First Quarter Stayover Performance for 2019

“The Cayman Islands should be proud of its record-breaking stayover performance in the first quarter of 2019,” commented Deputy Premier and Minister for Tourism, the Honourable Moses Kirkconnell. “As a Ministry and Department of Tourism, we are committed to developing innovative and authentic strategies for attracting travellers from key source markets. The recent launch of the USA focused Dream in Cayman campaign pushes the boundaries of destination advertising and I look forward to evaluating the results of the campaign in the months to come.”

In the first quarter of 2019, the Cayman Islands recorded the highest number of stayover visitors for any first quarter in previously recorded. The destination welcomed 145,804 stayover visitors, an increase of 11,634 visitors or 8.67 percent over the first quarter in 2018. This comes as the Cayman Islands welcomed a total of 59,563 stayover visitors in March, an increase of 8.37 per-

cent over March 2018. This represents the best month for stayover visitation in recorded history. Based on preliminary estimates, total visitor spend for the period January – March 2019, inclusive of air and cruise, was approximately KY\$235 million.

The introduction of Cayman Airway’s new Denver route has directly influenced growth in visitation from the Southwest region of the United States. In March 2019, 683 visitors departed Denver International Airport for the Cayman Islands. This comes on the heels of TripAdvisor’s 2019 Travellers’ Choice Awards which named the Cayman Airways the “Best Airline in the Caribbean” and a top “Specialty and Leisure Airline” within the entire North America region.

Heading into the second quarter, the Department of Tourism will again roll out its successful summer promotion ‘Kids Culinary Capital of the Caribbean,’ which features hands-on culinary activities for children, along with exceptional



offers for families to enjoy. Additionally, the Cayman Islands can look forward to increased airlift to the destination with the announcement of Southwest Airlines’ new direct Saturday service from Baltimore/Washington starting June 15, 2019.

To learn more about Kids Culinary Capital of the Caribbean offers, please visit www.kidsculinarycapital.com. For more information and detailed arrival statistics, please visit the website www.caymanislands.ky/statistics.

Gas Price



Location	Gas Station	Regular	Premium	Diesel
East End	Eastern Star Rubis (Woody's)	4.24		4.45
NorthSide	Jack's Esso (Jack's 11)	4.14	4.51	4.3
Bodden Town	Lorna's Rubis	4.42	4.77	4.5
Bodden Town	Mostyns Esso	4.29	4.59	4.41
Savannah	Savannah Rubis	4.29	4.59	4.45
Red Bay	Barcam	4.29	4.59	4.46
Red Bay	On The Run (Brown's Red Bay)	4.29	4.59	4.46
George Town	Peanuts Rubis	4.47	4.77	4.5
George Town	Jose's Escape	4.47	4.77	4.5
George Town	Refuel	4.22	4.49	4.2
George Town	Esso Tigermart (H&B 11 Shedden Road)	4.29	4.59	4.48
George Town	Eastern Avenue Rubis	4.29	4.59	4.45
George Town	Walkers Rd. Rubis	4.29	4.59	4.45
George Town	On The Run (Mike's Walkers Rd.)	4.27	4.55	4.46
George Town	On The Run (Brown's Industrial Park)	4.15	4.52	4.5
George Town	On The Run (Mike's 7 Mile)	4.29	4.59	4.46
West Bay Rd.	H & B Esso (H&B 1 Seven Mile)	4.29	4.59	4.48
West Bay Rd.	AA 7 Mile Rubis	4.29	4.59	4.23
West Bay	Hell Esso	4.28	4.58	4.39
West Bay	Esso 4 Way Stop (Four Winds)	4.61	4.78	4.31
George Town	Scotts Landing (Valvtect Bacadere)		4.59	4.69
Cayman Brac	West End		5.14	4.67
Cayman Brac	Tib Mart		5.14	
Little Cayman	Village Square		6.03	5.82

Lowest Prices	Grand Cayman	4.14	4.49	4.2
Highest Prices	Grand Cayman	4.61	4.78	4.69

Fuel expense reduction



Peak Traffic – Avoids peak traffic times. The extra time you spend in traffic burns additional fuel. Leave home earlier or ask your employer about flexi time.



Tire Pressure – Check the air pressure in your tires. Low air pressure increases fuel consumption.



Frequent and fast acceleration – Avoid heavy acceleration and drive low the speed limit. Frequent and swift acceleration burns fuel at a faster rate.

Guyana Under Fire From Global Airline Body Over Collection of Airport Fees

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) is calling for urgent talks with management of the Cheddi Jagan International Airport (CJIA) over the calculation and collection of new and increased airport fees.

In a statement issued yesterday, IATA, a trade association with membership of nearly airlines representing 117 countries, called for immediate dialogue on the implementation process related to the increase in the government-mandated Airport Security Fee and the introduction of a new Passenger Service Charge at Guyana's main airport.

The fees which the authorities say are to support improvements at the airport, represent an increase in security fees and the introduction of a passenger service charge. The cost to travellers for a round trip is US\$35; for departing passengers it is US\$17; and for one-way departing passengers it is US\$15, payable in Guyana dollars at the prevailing foreign exchange rate.

But IATA said the airport's continued refusal to cooperate with IATA on both the proper calculation and implementation of such fees and charges, has now led to a situation where airlines have been forced to manually collect the ad-

ditional amounts from both arriving and departing passengers.

"It is completely unacceptable that passengers are being inconvenienced in such a manner. This is a direct result of the airport's management refusal to engage with IATA on a process which is standard practice across the globe. As a consequence, our member airlines have unfortunately no choice other than to manually collect the additional fees and charges," said Peter Cerda, IATA's Regional Vice President for the Americas in a statement.

IATA says it has worldwide standards in place enabling airlines to collect government-imposed fees, service charges and taxes as part of an airline ticket, which are then transferred to the respective governments. "This has provided a smoother travel experience for passengers, by eliminating the former practice whereby many governments manually collected some of these fees and taxes at airports," it said.

IATA says it wants clarity from the airport operator on how the fees and charges have been calculated, as international standards set out by the International Civil Aviation Organization's (ICAO) Document 9082, were not followed.



► IATA has expressed concern about the calculation and collection of new and increased airport fees

"We understand that airports need to recover their investment costs. This must however be achieved through a collaborative and transparent process, ensuring that imposed fees are proportionate to the planned expenditure. This can best be achieved in partnership between all sectors of the aviation industry, thereby unlocking the true potential of a country and its people," Cerda said.

"As such we urgently call on the management of Cheddi Jagan International Airport to engage into the requested dialogue, so passengers are no longer inconvenienced, and member airlines can return to their normal business. This will ensure the sustainability of the aviation sector in Guyana and facilitate the growth of tourism and trade, thereby contributing to a vibrant and healthy economy." 🌐

ExxonMobil Makes 13th Oil Discovery Off Guyana

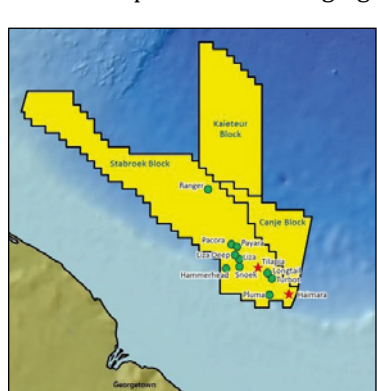
ExxonMobil has made its 13th discovery offshore Guyana.

The find was made at the Yellowtail-1 Well and represents the third discovery for this year and the fifth in the Turbot area, where ExxonMobil is evaluating its potential as an additional development hub.

The well encountered approximately 292 feet (89 metres) of high-quality oil-bearing sandstone reservoir and was drilled to a depth of 18,445 feet (5,622 metres) in 6,046 feet (1,843 metres) of water. It is located approximately 6 miles (10 kilometres) northwest of the Tilapia discovery.

Guyana's Director of Energy, Dr Mark Bynoe said rate of the oil discoveries demonstrates the magnitude of Guyana's natural resource. He reiterated his department's intentions to manage the resource efficiently.

"For years, Guyanese have heard of the country's oil potential and we are now seeing it manifesting.... The Department of Energy intends to employ international best practice in managing this resource and the monies that will be derived therefrom to give Guyanese 'the good life' that is in consonance with the construct of the Green State Development Strategy," he said.



And as ExxonMobil continues exploration drilling activities offshore Guyana and installation operations in preparation for first oil in less than a year, it has contracted another drillship, Noble Don Taylor.

The ship is currently in the Gulf of Mexico working for Talos Energy. It will be joining two of its sister vessels – the Noble Bob Douglas and the Noble Tom Madden – which are in the Stabroek Block along with the Stena Carron, bringing the drill fleet in Guyana to four.



ExxonMobil intends to drill more than 10 exploration and appraisal wells offshore Guyana in 2019 and 2020. The company has noted the potential for at least five floating, production, storage and offloading (FPSO) vessels on the Stabroek Block producing more than 750,000 barrels of oil per day by 2025.

Start-up of the Liza Phase 1 development is expected to begin early in the first quarter of 2020 and will produce up to 120,000 barrels of oil per day utilizing the Liza Destiny FPSO. 🌐

Antiguan Police Couple Accused of Larceny in the United States

Two police officers from Antigua and Barbuda – a husband and wife – have found themselves on the wrong side of the law in the United States.

The Royal Police Force of Antigua and Barbuda has confirmed that Robert and Monya Dyer were arrested in the US between April 13 and 14 for alleged larceny. They were on vacation at the time.

The Office of the Commissioner of Police said it had only received confirmation of the incident yesterday from Norwalk Police in the US.

Police in the twin-island nation say they are in contact with law enforcement authorities in the US and will continue further investigations into the matter.

No other official information was provided, but local media reports state that the couple was charged with three counts of larceny and one count of conspiracy to commit larceny after they allegedly attempted to shoplift several items at an outlet of warehouse club Costco in Connecticut. 🌐



Health Ministry Clears Up Confusion and Insists No Measles in Jamaica

The Ministry of Health today insisted that there are no cases of measles in the country.

Confusion over the matter came in the House of Representatives yesterday, when Opposition Spokesman on Health Dr Dayton Campbell questioned Minister of Health Dr Christopher Tufton about whether there had been any local or imported cases reported. Dr Tufton said he was not aware of any, and Dr Campbell responded that there had been one imported case reported to the Ministry of Health.

Later on, the Health Minister rose to inform the House that he had received information about a case at a private hospital in Montego Bay where Dr Campbell worked.

"It was not quite an imported case of measles because the child had measles two weeks prior to coming to Jamaica and had complications when they actually came into the country," he said, adding that the individual was not contagious and therefore no threat to the population.

In a statement issued today, the Ministry of Health supported Dr Tufton's comments in the House of Representatives.

"At the time of stay in Jamaica, the person was several days out of the infectious period for measles. After investigations,

the Public Health Department concluded that neither the patient nor relatives were having measles. Precautions were taken, however, to ensure that all whom came in contact with the patient were immunized against measles even while the investigation was being conducted," it said.

The Ministry added that Jamaica has a robust surveillance system in place for fever and rash and all cases are reported within 24 hours, while suspected measles are reported immediately.

"The Ministry of Health does receive a few notifications each year; these cases are investigated and patients are isolated, tested and treated, if they meet the case definition. Additionally, contacts are vaccinated if they have not previously received immunization," it said.

Jamaica has had no local spread of measles since 1991. The last imported case of measles was in 2011.

Measles is a highly contagious illness caused by a virus that replicates in the nose and throat of an infected child or adult. Complications include ear infection and diarrhea, while severe complications include pneumonia, swelling of the brain and death.

The Ministry said that in order to stop the disease from spreading, 95 per cent of children in Jamaica need to be fully vaccinated with the two doses –



► Minister of Health Dr Christopher Tufton

MMR1 at 12 months and MMR2 at 18 months.

But Minister Tufton, during his presentation in Parliament yesterday, reported that Jamaica has seen a decrease in uptake of the vaccines over the last few years.

"And we are appealing to all parents to visit the nearest health centre to ensure that their children are fully vaccinated as measles kills more children than any other vaccine-preventable disease," he said.

Dr Tufton said that his ministry was monitoring the island for imported cases of measles given the recent increase in cases in the United States and across the region. As March 30, there were 3,674 suspected cases and 596 confirmed cases in the Region of the Americas, with over 300 of the confirmed cases from the United States. In Europe, in January 2019, there were 881 cases of measles reported from 19 countries. 🌐

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 39 Attempts

1 Job for a gumshoe

5 Buddies

9 Astronomer's find

10 Make suitable

12 Texas landmark

13 Barber's tool

14 Tearing down

16 Mamie's mate

17 Keats poems

18 Comic Dangerfield

21 Young fellow

22 Libel

23 Stunned

24 Hot peppers

26 Toronto-to-D.C. dir.

29 Pack tightly

30 Mimicked

31 Designer Claiborne

32 Looking intently

34 Buggy riders

37 Hospital worker

38 Pound parts

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Saturday's answer

DOWN

1 Piña —

2 In awe

3 Convoy trucks

4 School on the Thames

5 Golf goal

6 Oklahoma city

7 Taking it easy

8 Aloud

9 Christmas song

11 Deuce topper

15 Pasture activity

19 Bullfight cries

20 Pulled off

22 Niger neighbor

23 Poorly lit

24 Black Sea peninsula

25 Frat doings

26 Brio

27 Taste and smell

28 Borders

29 Applaud

30 Blue hue

33 Picnic pests

35 Biol. or geol.

36 Chick's mom

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SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

	8			3				
		1						6
		9	5			7	1	
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Difficulty Level ★★★★★

7/07

Answer to previous puzzle

7	9	5	1	3	6	8	2	4
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6	3	4	2	8	7	1	5	9
8	7	6	3	2	1	9	4	5
3	5	2	9	7	4	6	8	1
9	4	1	5	6	8	7	3	2
4	6	3	7	9	5	2	1	8
5	2	9	8	1	3	4	7	6
1	8	7	6	4	2	5	9	3

Difficulty Level ★★★★★

Word Search

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- Will
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- Zest

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CURTIS

By Ray Billingsley

HEART-THROB AND I WALKED BY THE COFFEE HOUSE, THEN PAST THE BARBECUE PIT IN THE PARK AND BY THOSE CONDOMINIUMS WITH THE POOL!

SOUNDS LIKE YOU TWO REALLY GET AROUND, CURTIS

YEAH, WE DON'T LINGER ANYWHERE FOR VERY LONG

WE'RE AFRAID SOME FOOL WILL THINK WE'RE UP TO SOMETHING AND CALL THE COPS!

THE AMAZING SPIDER MAN

By Stan Lee

I SHALL DEAL WITH YOU LATER, COLLEEN WING. AT THIS TIME, I MUST TURN MY FULL ATTENTION TO PETER PARKER.

DON'T - PUT YOURSELF OUT - ON MY ACCOUNT, CLAW.

I AM WELL AWARE YOU ARE SUSPECTED OF BEING A CONFIDANT OF THE ONE CALLED SPIDER-MAN.

DID YOU TAKE AN ONLINE COURSE TO LEARN HOW TO TALK LIKE THAT?

JUDGE PARKER

By Woody Wilson & Mike Manley

SOMEWHERE IN AUSTRIA.

AND YOU GET TO SEE YOUR SISTER AGAIN. TOUCHING. WOULD TAKE A PHOTO IF MY PHONE WEREN'T CHARGING.

WHAT DID I SAY? YOU HELPED THE CIA TRAP A ROGUE AGENT. THEY TOOK CARE OF GODIVA FOR STEALING MY PRODUCT...



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