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## Cayman Islands – Doing it with a Flourish [A UK Perspevtive] – A commentary on the Premier's Strategic Policy Statement

"Certainly, more Caymanians are doing well in our flourishing economy than this Government's critics would have anyone believe."

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On the surface that assertion sounds quite audacious, especially in these times of severe global economic challenges.

But that doesn't seem to be the case in the Cayman Islands, where the Premier Alden McLaughlin has made his 2020 Strategic Policy Statement to the British Overseas Territory's parliament.

The description of the current state of the Cayman Island's economy stands up to scrutiny at first glance.

There isn't any triumphalist about it. The cold hard fact is that the Cayman Islands has a flourishing economy.

And Premier McLaughlin has presented the evidence to prove it.

Where the challenge lies is at the second glance. How does the Cayman Islands maintain this trajectory in the current global economic climate and how would that impact on the verdict for the legacy of Mr McLaughlin and his government?

He is into the closing stages of his consecutive two-term limit as leader of government.

Delivering the 2020 Strategic Policy Statement, he reported:

"In the last six years we have indeed put the country back on course and across two successive Administrations I have kept true to that inclusive approach.

"As a result, what a very different position our country finds itself in.

"The economy has grown steadily. The latest figures from the Economics and Statistics Office show annualized GDP growth at 3.6% in the third quarter of last year."

One of the toughest challenges facing the prosperous British OT (pop. 61,000 appx) is in the main pillar of its economy; its lucrative but highly-scrutinized offshore financial sector.

"The fact that Cayman has yet again avoided any kind of blacklisting by the EU is, in no small meas-



Cayman Islands Premier Alden McLaughlin

ure," the Cayman Islands leader says, attributing it to "the direct result of the efforts that he and his team have made in taking Cayman's case directly to the capitals of Europe."

But he admits; "We have more to do as the goalposts continue to move – but this is no surprise. The EU has now added a requirement that Cayman should address an apparent need to give appropriate economic substance to collective investment vehicles or, more simply put, funds."

"There are those who would say that it is because of our significance as a Financial Services Centre that the bar is higher for us," Premier McLaughlin said in his 2020 SPS.

"I have said before that Cayman does not need or want illegitimate business and we stand ready to do all that we can to resist any attempts at using our Financial Services Industry for money laundering, terrorist financing or other illegal purposes."

The Cayman Islands' other major economic pillar from which it derives the revenue to drive its \$US3.5 billion economy, is tourism.

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## Jamaica Expects to Lead the Medal Count

Several of Jamaica's top athletes will miss the 48th annual CARIFTA Games, but the Jamaica Athletics Administrative Association (JAAA) is confident the team will once again top the medal standing when the meet takes place this Easter weekend (20 to 22 April) at the Truman Bodden Sports Complex. The country, which produced the likes of Usain Bolt, Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce, Asafa Powell, Veronica Campbell-Brown and Yohan Black, has topped the medal table 41 times and its last defeat was in 1984 when The Bahamas won at home.

In 2018, team Jamaica earned 82 medals (43 gold, 28 silver, 11 bronze) in the Bahamas, four medals shy of the 86 they hauled in back in 2017 (39 gold, 28 silver, 19 bronze) in Curacao. Their medal count in 2018 was 47 medals clear of their nearest rival (and hosts) The Bahamas, who had 35 (6 gold, 14 silver, 15 bronze). Trinidad and Tobago placed third with 17 medals (4 gold, 6 silver, 7 bronze).

Garth Gayle, JAAA General Secretary, said based on the performances from the trials, he is confident Jamaica will once again dominate.

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## Easter In Cayman 2019

By Flynn Bush

I'm not sure about anyone else but, it seems like just a few days ago that we were getting celebrating Easter 2018. They say time moves faster as we get older and it seems that way to me more and more. Perhaps, it is that we are all busier than we were ten years ago. We have become a split-second society where everything moves in high gear and the norm is immediate gratification. Now, that doesn't mean, necessarily, that we are more productive; just busier. This fact is more reason why we need to take a break from time to time and smell the roses. The upcoming Easter weekend affords us the perfect opportunity to do so.

In generations past, Easter brought special traditions and customs. It was a time for families to spend together; a time for reflection; and a time for getting right with God. The holy days of Good Friday and Easter Sunday, especially, were respected. People made their way to the church of their choice; at times, filling the pews to overflowing. Children were there; parents were there; grandparents were there; aunts, uncles, cousins and neighbors were there. It was a glorious atmosphere.

Now, don't get me wrong. By no means should it be inferred that the customs and traditions of old are not in practice anymore. Nowadays, the big rage on Easter weekend is the camping scene, where families and friends camp out on the beach and cook and relax and revel together. Lit-

erally dozens of camp sites across the three islands, filled with hundreds of campers and a multitude of tents, are to be seen beginning from as early as the Wednesday before Good Friday. However, when the church doors are opened, there is still a great number of individuals who make it a point to attend. People still dress up in their Sunday best, and celebrate the reason for the holiday in the first place, Jesus dying for our salvation and rising again for our eternal life.

When I was a boy, Easter meant church on Friday and Sunday, time spent with family, Sunday dinner, and Easter egg hunt on Monday. We were all taught the reason why Easter exists in the first place. Were there people in our community that did not partake like the rest of us? Sure. However, those were a minority few. Easter had a way of bringing families together, even estranged ones. It was a time of reconciling and healing old wounds and building bridges. Nowadays, it behooves to remember that and to make it a point to practice the same. You see, regardless of one's own religious persuasion, Easter is a time that can be productive for community harmony. If we take the time to consider our own shortcomings and failings, and to consider that new starts are possible through forgiveness for one another, we will reap benefits galore. Perhaps, this Easter weekend, as we look up at the starlight sky from our campsite, or our yard, we will consider this for at least a moment. (?)



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▶ Premier Alden McLaughlin arriving in Brussels

# Cayman Islands – Doing it with a Flourish (A UK perspective)

A commentary on the Premier's Strategic Policy Statement by our UK correspondent Michael L Jarvis, London UK

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Major infrastructural projects including the just-opened new international airport (opened by Prince Charles on his recent visit), a planned mega cruise and cargo port and extensive improvements to the transportation network, all underpin a growth trajectory that the McLaughlin administration hopes to attain before the end of their term in office.

"It is also recognition that I have just two years left to get as much done for my country in this role as I am able to do. So, these next two years will not be a gentle wind-down, but rather a ramping up of delivery as my Government looks to push on further and achieve even more for our people."

A push for enhanced government services, safety and security, business development, health, education, youth and social services are also part of the revvedup socio-economic growth agenda.

Quite notable is the Plan Cayman interactive public consultation for the further development of the territory with public stakeholder input. It's worthy of emulation.

There is still a huge unexplored avenue for systematic cooperation and collaboration among the OTs and in their relations with Britain on which the Cayman Islands are uniquely positioned to play a lead role.

The report by the British parliament's Foreign Affairs Committee into the future of relations between the UK and the OTs is a reminder of that.

Particularly concerning for Premier McLaughlin is the controversial issue of public access to information on company ownership throughout the OTs.

"First, the requirement is unreasonable and unnecessary. There is no international regulatory standard for such public registers and indeed it is a standard to which few if any competitor jurisdictions even aspire.

"Given our information exchange arrangements with tax authorities across the world, there is simply no need to publicize the registers we hold.

"Secondly, and in my view most significantly, this is a matter that is properly for the locally elected Government to determine and this attempt by Parliament to interfere in our business represents a severe Constitutional over-reach."

There are constitutional implications not just for the Cayman Islands but the wider family of OTs, and he worries that the autonomy of the islands could be at risk

"This second criticism has the most far-reaching potential impact because once the UK Parliament does this a first time, who knows when and over what other issue they might decide to do that again.

"Over the last nine months or so I have been leading negotiations with the UK Government to try to put in place new Constitutional safeguards."

And those safeguards might be seen as critical to the legacy of Premier McLaughlin himself.

"To be clear, I am not seeking to grab more powers for Cayman or remove anything from the UK that is rightly their responsibility.

"Rather, I am trying to better delineate our respective rights and responsibilities. It is not so much a new constitutional settlement as a clarification of the settlement we thought we had achieved in 2009"

Also, looming large in the background is Brexit with the UK continues to grapple with.

The way Mr McLaughlin sees it; "Brexit is both a threat and an opportunity. Naturally the UK's focus in the run up to Brexit and then in dealing with its impact will largely be in its own self-interest

"If Cayman's interests are to be well-represented by the UK, we need to do our part and make ourselves easy to deal with."

Against this background the remaining years of the McLaughlin administration are critical to maintaining the Cayman Islands' growth momentum, solidifying its constitutional status, and assuring his political legacy.



▶ Premier Alden McLaughlin and John Owen at Friends lunch



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#### By Ralph Lewis

"Stand up, Stand up for Jesus". This song by writer George Duffield was heard reverberating around the Legislative Assembly at 6pm last Saturday, April 13, by more than 1,000 Christians, family and supporters as they ended their rally which enforced their stand against same-sex marriage.

The rally, organized by a number of local churches, featured stirring speeches by, among others, Pastor Alson Ebanks, Pastor Torrance Bobb, keynote speaker Pastor Andrew Ebanks, and guest speaker Helene Cooley-Nicholson, President, LDF, IA.

Quite noticeable was the presence of many members of the Legislative Assembly in front row seats.

According to Ms. Jackie Ebanks, the local Movement was started from a WhatsApp Group which she dubbed CAYMAN CARRIBBEAN CAUSE stemming from a bigger mother group called CARRIBBEAN CAUSE which she was invited to join.

This is a group of concerned, wellread and informed doctors, lawyers and pastors from all across the Caribbean discussing this very critical issue.

Thanks to their spokesperson Katina Anglin, they have taken this to a MOVE-MENT where they plan to fight to preserve Christian values in the Cayman Islands.

"A wonderful event just concluded in central George Town," said Mario Ebanks on his Facebook page.

"A Rally to support family values, our Christian heritage, the rule of Law, the important doctrine of Separation of Powers, and the fundamentals of the Cayman Islands Constitution.

He described "a fantastic from a broad cross-section of our diverse population; those who love Cayman and embrace its culture and heritage, and who celebrate our Coat of Arms which states 'He has Founded it Upon the Seas'...which in itself comes from the Holy Bible. Blessings and Love

Mr. Ebanks was not the only Caymanian to voice his endorsement.

Visitors' pages on social media have been inundated with support for the sanctity of marriage as it stands today.

These recent events drew encouragement from both sides of a court decision was triggered by a landmark judgement delivered on a milestone human rights case when Chief Justice Anthony Smellie legalized same-sex marriage in the Cayman Islands.

## Christians take a stand



Petitioners Chantelle Day and Vicki Bodden-Bush had said that their constitutional right to marry and found a family had been denied under existing law which prevented them from legally marrying in the Cayman Islands. In his judgement, the Chief Justice outlined the ways in which the couple's basic human rights had been violated when they were refused a marriage license.

Day and Bodden-Bush had said that the present state of the Marriage Law violated their Constitutional rights, specifically, their rights to a private and family life, including the right to found a family; to freedom of conscience, and perhaps most profoundly, to freedom from unjustifiable discrimination on the grounds of status; namely, their sexual orientation.

On Wednesday April 10, the Cayman Islands Appeals Court delayed the implementation of same-sex marriage legalization.

The Court of Appeal accepted a government request to halt the legalization of same-sex marriage that Chief Justice Anthony Smellie of the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands ruled with immediate effect in a historic ruling on March

The Premier and Cabinet had instructed the Attorney General to pursue an appeal against the judgement and to seek a stay of execution pending the outcome of the appeal.

The couple was due to become the first married same-sex couple in the Cayman Islands last week, but will instead have to wait at least until August, when the ment's argument and decide whether the March 29 ruling should stand.

The last verse of George Duffield's song holds out a promise of peace, saying that "the strife will not be long." From the feedback and responses, it is clear that the attendees believe that they will be victorious.

#### Flashback

In August 2015, approximately 4 years ago, The Caymanian Times (formerly Cayman Weekly) published an article entitled, Destination Weddings and Same-Sex Marriages.



A review of the article which is published below highlights the visionary thinking of our publisher and also the position taken by this publication on this issue.

#### **Destination Weddings** and Same-Sex Marriages

The Cayman Islands have established a strong reputation for Destination Weddings and over the years, locals and businesses involved in this section of the tourism industry have benefited

Attendees and workers at these events may have noticed an increase in the roles that individuals of different sexual orientations play. One such event included a male maid of honour which was accepted at the wedding ceremony and celebration.

In June 2015, The Supreme Court in the United States ruled 5-4 that the Constitution requires that same-sex couples be allowed to marry no matter where they live and that states may no longer reserve the right only for heterosexual couples.

No doubt many couples, their families and friends will be planning future weddings and honeymoons that may arrive at our shores.

Local Legislation does not allow for same sex marriages and those requests from couples will be declined. However, same sex couples are allowed to live and vacation in this paradise and one can anticipate future requests to amend laws accordingly.

The world has become a global village and the Cayman Islands does not exist in isolation. Furthermore, we are a British Dependent Territory whose laws will be influenced by the Mother county.

As Human Rights progresses to the forefront of Society, we can expect our strong Christian principles to be challenged and legislators will have a fight on their hands similar to the one that was fought in the US.

We do believe we have responsibility for personal decisions and whatever choice we make will be between an individual and his creator. For those of us with strong Christian beliefs, the challenge will be to demonstrate our faith within a changing society with differing perceptions and beliefs of values and living standards. 🏵

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## New tool to help battle youth anxiety

By Lindsey Turnbull

Anxiety and depression levels among young people are reported to be on the rise across the globe, and tools for parents, teachers and the young people themselves to help combat this issue have not always been easy to find. Cayman is fortunate to have an educational psychologist based on Cayman Brac who has co-authored a book that offers practical advice to people who live and work with youngsters battling such mental disorders.

Barbara Redman-White is the government-school psychologist on Cayman Brac, and wrote 'Supporting children and young people with anxiety - A practical guide', along with her co-author, Elizabeth Herrick because, as an educational psychologist in the UK, she could not find anything similar that would help parents or provide practical support for professionals.

Ms Redman-White, who came to Cayman Brac from the UK three years ago, said that in the course of her work in the UK she had amassed a great deal of useful information and had practically "written the book" on the subject, so it was a logical step to have the book published, to help as many people as possible. While young people on the Brac have been benefiting from her work,

Ms Redman-White was in Grand Cayman last week to make a presentation to school counsellors about her work and said that she had received a positive reception all round.

While acknowledging that are not many children on Cayman Brac (around 350), Ms Redman-White has been able to help around 150 children on the Brac. ten of whom were suffering from severe anxiety difficulties, in her three years

"There are some things that can help young people with anxiety that have an immediate effect," she advised. "In the book we teach a variety of relaxation techniques and that is one major area that really helps."

As well as relaxation techniques, the book also focusses on three other main areas: dealing with young peoples' thought processes and helping them to think more logically; looking at and helping them to modify their behaviour; and helping them recognise their own

As an example of modifying behaviour. Ms Redman-White said she had one young person who was very shy spend a week smiling at people and then come back and report on what had happened. Identifying exactly what they are feeling has also been extremely useful for young people battling anxiety.

"We help young people recognise their own emotions and we teach them names for their emotions so that they can recognise their own feelings. We teach them that there is nothing wrong with how they are feeling and then give them the skills to know what to do about feeling this way," she advised.

#### Teaching parents is key

Working with parents can greatly help an anxious young person, arming parents with the skills to help youngsters deal with the anxiety.

Maren Walker is the school Counsellor at John Gray High School and the lead Guidance Counsellor for the Cayman Islands government schools. She organised the recent training for counsellors and said she found the training to be very informative.

Ms Walker stated. "Sometimes it is difficult to get parents of children suffering with anxiety on board with regard to what their children need, as they don't always see what we see as professionals. Barbara gave us a presentation that we could use to explain to parents exactly what their children are going through, which was really helpful. Barbara discussed how parents needed to appreciate the different ways in which anxiety manifests itself in children. Some children might be angry; some might be-



► Barbara Redman-White, government-school psychologist on Cayman

come withdrawn as a result of anxiety and depression, and so it's very helpful to be able to teach parents exactly what is going on with their young people," she

Another useful pointer for Ms Walker was the GoZen! set of YouTube videos that Ms Redman-White said was a good place to find information as to why children were feeling anxiety that could be played with the children themselves.

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

## FRC Holds Domestic Violence Intervention Training Programme

The Department of Counselling Services' Family Resource Centre (FRC) is hosting a Domestic Violence Intervention Training Programme (DVITP)

The training will be held at the FRC's offices at 77 Walkers Street, Mary Street, George Town; Wednesday, 1 -Friday, 3 May 2019, 8.30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The free three-day certification course is suitable for human and social services professionals, educators/

general and mental health practitioners, human resource professionals, Civil Service leaders, law enforcement,

The registration deadline is **Thurs**day, 25 April 2019. To register, or for further details about this course, please contact the FRC at 949-0006 or email frc@gov.ky. 😚

#### faith-based leaders and other frontline staff who interact with victims, perpetrators and/or children experiencing domestic violence.

## Measles Awareness Urged

International health body, the Pan American Health Organisation (PAHO), recently alerted health departments around the Caribbean to be on the lookout for measles and rubella as a precaution.

In light of this the Public Health Department of the Cavman Islands is issuing an alert to the community of the need to be aware of the presence of measles within several states in the United States, including Florida.

PAHO officials advise that the following symptoms are highly likely to be present in cases of measles:

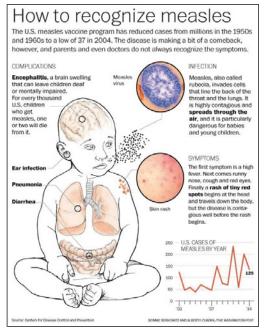
- · Rash that follows onset of fe-
- Cough, acute respiratory infection or conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)
  - Sore throat

As some Caribbean countries are still experiencing cases of dengue fever, in which patients may also present with fever and rash, PAHO has advised that all cases presenting with fever and rash should be tested for measles

Individuals who suspect that they or persons within their care may have measles should contact the Public Health Department. Officials will provide guidance on the management and investigation of the case. Among other aspects, they emphasised it is essential to ensure adequate and timely sample collection.

While the Cayman Islands is measles-free, the health alert follows two confirmed cases of measles imported to the region from France. Officials also noted outbreaks of measles in nineteen of the United States, namely Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, Texas, and Washington.

Acting Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Samuel Williams-Rodriguez, says the



Public Health Department has acted quickly to strengthen its monitoring for potential cases of measles and rubella.

This is critical, Dr. Williams says, as while we are almost at the end of the winter tourist season, travellers from many different countries are consistently passing through the country's borders.

Expanded Programme on Immunization (EPI) Coordinator Nurse, Angela Graham, urges persons to protect themselves and to ensure that their loved ones are up to date with measles vaccinations and all other vaccinations.

"The Cayman Islands is currently measles-free. As such the measles vaccination is an important means by which we may continue to protect ourselves and our families from a disease that is extremely contagious and which can lead to dangerous complications," Nurse Graham notes.

Private sector physicians may access any necessary investigation forms through the Public Health Department and the Cayman Islands Hospital.

For more information, contact the Public Health Department on 244-2621. 😚

## Walkers Road-Olympic Way Connector Road Gets Underway

Motorists seeking access to University College of the Cayman Islands (UCCI) and the Truman Bodden Sports Complex (TBSC) from Walkers Road can look forward to a significantly shorter journey, now that phase one of the construction of a connector road is underway.

A quarter-mile in length, the road begins in the vicinity of Burger King on Walkers Road and stretches to the northern end of Olympic Way, near the UCCI entrance.

The National Roads Authority (NRA) has completed the first stage of works, to coincide with the CARIFTA Games, scheduled to begin on Saturday, 20 April 2019 at the TBSC. This has involved successfully clearing and levelling the existing ground, to allow the route to be used by CARIFTA organisers as an additional access way for persons

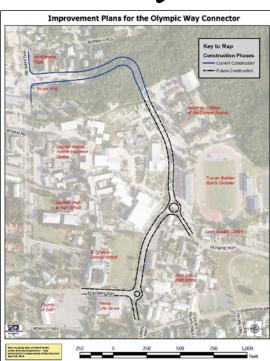
attending the Games this weekend. Further works will continue after the

The NRA was recently authorised by a notice in the Gazette to enter the affected properties on or after Thursday. 18 April. Mindful of the CARIFTA Games, the NRA contacted affected property owners and consensus was reached to start the clearing a week earlier.

"It will only be a dirt road for this weekend and, while that may be a novel experience for some drivers, it was important we made the route accessible to CARIFTA organisers, particularly to help with traffic relief during the peak periods," explained Edward Howard, Acting Managing Director of the NRA.

"It will be closed off after this weekend and full construction works will begin, starting with utility providers who will install underground services" Mr. Howard added.

The NRA is advocating for a future phase that would connect Olympic Way to Academy Way by providing a link road through what was originally the



▶ Map showing current and future construction phases for the Olympic Way Connector

carpark area of the old George Hicks

Donovan Ebanks, Chair of the NRA Board, stressed that these works are essential, as "this area is already congested during peak hours; the development of the old George Hicks site and completion of the new high school will only make congestion worse."

Mr. Ebanks, who was Chief Engineer of the Public Works Department (PWD) 30 years ago, added that this proposal "has been around for 30 years. It was a recommendation of the Master Ground Transportation Plan in 1988."

The first phase of the works will create bicycle lanes in each direction and a continuous pavement along one side, from Walkers Road to UCCI. Construction is scheduled to be completed by August 2019 at a cost of approximately \$1.5 million, including land compensa-

The project is being developed by the NRA with funding provided by the Ministry of Commerce, Planning & Infrastructure. 😚

## RUBiS Top Student application deadline extended

The application deadline for the 2019 RUBiS Top Student program has been extended to Friday, 26 April at 5pm. Students are invited to apply online for the awards which provide \$15,000 worth of financial grants to students aged 7-12 in the Cayman Islands.

"We have extended the deadline because we thought it would be helpful to allow children the Easter break to put their application together," Mr. Jermaine Sharpe, Head of Sales and Marketing said. "Children are encouraged to submit video or photography of them demonstrating their special skills or talent. We want to see children living their passion!"

Applicants will be judged by two independent panels. Runners-up will receive financial grants of \$1,000 each with the finalist being awarded \$5,000. One of the grants will be designated for a special needs student who participates. This is the third time the biennial contest has been held.

The winners will be announced June

For more information on how to enter follow http://www.rubiscaymanislands.com/rts 😚

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## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

April
Public Holiday - Good
Friday

**19 April:** In commemoration of this Holy Day in the Christian Church calendar, businesses and supermarkets will be closed.

Free Good Friday Concert 19 April: The Cayman Islands Male Voice Choir is having an Easter concert at the Elmslie United Church on Friday 19 April beginning at 7:00pm. All are invited. For more information call Nick Godfrey at 949 7953 or 926 – 0968.

#### **48th CARIFTA Games**

19 – 21 April: Athletes from countries across the Caribbean will converge in Grand Cayman for the Track and Field Championships that will be held at the Truman Bodden Complex from Friday 19 April to Sunday 21st. All morning sessions will be free to attend with tickets for the evening sessions priced from CI\$15 t0 CI\$55. Tickets are available through www.



► Easter Egg Hunt

eventpro.ky. Contact info@caymancarifta2019.ky for more information.

#### **Easter Egg Dig**

20 April: Come to the Cayman Turtle Centre for the annual Cadbury Easter dig on Saturday 20 April from 11:00am to 5:00pm. Kids can dig for hundreds of eggs buried in the sand. There will be many prizes to get, including Cadbury chocolate and the Grand Prize - a Nintendo Switch! It's a free event if you have a Cadbury proof of purchase valued \$5 or more. Call 333 - 1944 for more information.

#### **Kaibo Kitefest**

22 April: Be part of the Caribbean tradition of kite flying at the Kaibo on Monday 22 April. Bring your own kite for this event that begins at 2:00pm. Registration cost for the competition is \$5 and begins at 1:00pm. If you don't want to drive, you can hop on the ferry! Call 947 – 9975 for more details.

#### **Beach Volleyball**

**26 - 28 April:** The NORCECA Beach Volleyball Tour begins on Friday 26 April at the Public Beach. Teams from the Cayman Islands, the Caribbean, Canada and the US will play to qualify for the 2020 Summer Olympics in Tokyo. Covered stand seating is \$5. Bring the entire family for fun activities



▶ Kaibo Kitefest

and entertainment. For tickets and more information, visit www. civf.ky

#### Gigantic Garage & Car Boot Sale

27 April: St. Ignatius is having its annual Garage Sale & Car Boot Sale on Saturday 27 April from 6:00am to 11:00am at the school hall and car park. Lots of items including clothes, toys, books, household items, art and more will be available. Every dollar raised will go to support the St. Ignatius Food pantry. For more details call 949 – 6797 or email ignatius@candw.ky.

#### 19th Annual Dr. J. Hugh Cummings Memorial 5K Run/Walk

28 April: Takes place on Sunday 28 April starting at 6:00am from ICCI to Pedro Castle. Registration is \$25 for adults and \$15 for students and children under 12. Refreshments will be provided. All proceeds will benefit the Dr. J. Hugh Cummings Memorial Fund. Participants can pay on caymanactive.com or on the day of the event.

## Lime Carifta Games Anti – bullying dors Workshop mor

30 April: The Alex Panton Foundation in collaboration with the Ministry of Community Affairs continues its anti – bullying workshop on Tuesday 30 April at the East End Civic Centre starting at 6:30pm. Over half of our young people in the Cayman Islands report that they have been bullied. Understanding bullying and its link with mental illness can support the children in our community in creating an anti-bullying culture. For more information email info@alexpantonfoundation.ky

#### May Adult Batabano and Food Festival

4 May: Join the Cayman Carnival Adult Batabano parade and Food Festival on Saturday 4 May. The colourful parade of costumes begins at the Public Beach, West Bay at 1:00pm and winds into George Town accompanied by the latest soca music. The Food Festival promises an feast of local food and other eats from more than 20 ven-

dors. Visit caymancarnival.com for more information.

#### Cayman Carnival Junior Batabano - "Once Upon A Turtle"

11 May: Join the fun as over 400 children parade through the streets of George Town for Junior Batabano. The Family Fun Day begins at 1:00pm on the lawns of the Old Glass House and there will be many fun activities to enjoy. The costumed parade follows at 3:00pm. For more information call 925 – 3970 or visit www.caymancarnival.com.

#### Spring Tea Party

11 May: St. Ignatius is having their Annual Tea Party on Saturday 11 May starting at 2:30pm. Tickets are \$5 and include afternoon tea, entertainment and a chance to win \$6,000 worth of door prizes, plus lots of random giveaways! This is a great opportunity to celebrate an early Mother's Day by taking your mother, grandmother or any female that plays a mother role in your life! The 1st. prize is a Ladies Christian Dior Watch worth \$3,600.

## Camana Bay's Corporate Volleyball League Semifinals Get Underway

With the Camana Bay Corporate volleyball championships in sight, there was a lot at stake as the four teams warmed up for the semifinal matches on Wednesday, April 10th. At this stage in the league all the teams had already played each other once, so the teams knew the key players to watch out for going into the semis.

The whistle blew at 6:30 pm signaling the start of the two semifinal matches: PWC versus KPMG and Wheaton Precious Metals versus Maples A. KPMG's heavy hitter, Davison Ruwende, came out swinging in the first set, and his three kills and two service aces were instrumental in securing the 25-6 lead over PWC in the first set. The second set wasn't an easy feat, and PWC made KPMG fight for every single point. In the end KPMG narrowly clinched the lead with a score of 25-23. While KPMG was busy annihilating PWC from the running of the corporate league finals, Maples A and Wheaton Precious Metals battled it out on court 2. As the underdogs, Wheaton Precious Metals knew they had nothing to lose, so they decided to give it their all. Despite their best efforts Wheaton Precious Metals, fell short by three points losing 25-22. Maples A attack was not a force to be reckoned with, with David Bakker leading his team in 7 kills and 6 aces, and Kevin Solomon following suit with 3 kills and 2 aces. Wheaton Precious Metals was desperate for a third set, but they didn't manage to make that a reality when they lost the second set 25-18.

At 7:30 the teams from the bottom bracket took to the court. Maples Legal Eagles and Dart A had long winded rallies in their first set, but it was Maples Legal Eagles that emerged victorious with a 25-20 lead. The momentum from the first set helped carry them through the second set as they annhiliated Dart A 25-14. Maples B wasn't as lucky as their colleagues



on the legal team as they got beat in two straight sets by Dart B, 25-17 and 25-12.

You won't want to miss the action this Wednesday at the Arc in Camana

Bay, with KPMG scheduled to take on the reigning champions, Maples A, at 7:30 pm. Wheaton Precious Metals and PWC will hash it out for third and fourth place.

## CILLA Girls Softball – Game Report

#### Coldwell Banker 12, Scotiabank 7

CILLA Girls Softball continued on Tuesday, April 9th, as Hannah Gibson, Deandra Bush and Aydis Rostran each drove in three runs to lead Coldwell Banker to a 12-7 win over Scotiabank.

Scotiabank started the game with two runs in the first inning. Clara Ramos and Carmella Ylagan singled and both girls scored following two throwing errors by Coldwell Banker.

In the bottom of the first, Annie Hawkins, Kenia Rostran and Reyah Stewart all drew walks for Coldwell Banker. Deandra Bush then blasted a triple to left centre, bringing in all three runs. Singles by Jizel Powell and Aydis Rostran, along with walks by Chadene Brooks and Eowyn Hawkins, scored three more runs.

Scotiabank bounced right back with three runs in the second. Kris-Maxine Aleria reached on an error and Alisha Kee and Rochanni Cornwall followed with walks to load the bases. All three runners scored on a two-run single by Clara Ramos and a misplay by Coldwell

In the bottom of the second Annie Hawkins and Kenia Rostran led off with singles and Deandra Bush walked to load the bases with one out. After the second out Abby Schutte reached on an error and Aydis Rostran followed with a two run single down the left field line. After Chadene Brooks walked to load the bases, Hannah Gibson broke the

game open with a triple to centre, scoring all three runners.

In the top of the third Calissa Ylagan singled and Stephanie Menko was hit by a pitch. Kris-Maxine Aleria singled to load the bases and Alisha Kee drew a walk, scoring Calissa. Janey Veilleux grounded out, scoring Stephanie with the final run of the night. Unfortunately, the game ended with the third out being called as Scotiabank batted out of order.

Carmella Ylagan turned a fine double play for Scotiabank, snaring a line drive at shortstop and throwing to third to put out the runner who had left the base.

Annie Hawkins, Kenia Rostran, Deandra Bush and Aydis Rostran each scored twice for Coldwell Banker.

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TEAM	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	TOTAL
Scotiabank	2	3	2	-	-	7
Coldwell Banker	6	6	-	-	-	12

#### Kirk Freeport 13, Coldwell Banker 4

Deandra Whiteman was dominant on the mound and Kirk Freeport tallied nine runs over the first two innings in a convincing win over first place Coldwell Banker, who were missing four of their regular starters.

Kirk Freeport scored four in the first, with Aleigha General, Sofia Watler, Deandra Whiteman and Keirsten McLaughlin crossing the plate, with Deandra's 2 RBI triple being the big hit of the inning.

Coldwell Banker scored one in the bottom of the first as Jialy Archbold

reached on an error and scored on a hit

by Zhanna McDonald.

Kirk Freeport broke the game open in the second, scoring five runs after two were out. Key hits in the inning included RBI singles by Raina Myles and Leila Dixon, with Aleigha, Sofia, Deandra and Keirsten all scoring their second runs of the game.

Coldwell Banker scored a loan run in the second when Deandra Bush tripled in Eowyn Hawkins, who had drawn a walk. They added single runs in the third and fourth innings, but it wasn't nearly enough as Kirk Freeport added four more runs over the final two innings.

Deandra Whiteman pitched brilliantly for Kirk Freeport, striking out six and allowing just four hits in her five innings of work. Rookie pitcher Zhanna McDonald gave a great effort for Coldwell Banker, throwing consistent strikes in her first ever game on the mound.

Coldwell Banker turned two double plays in the field but also had several fielding errors which aided Kirk Freeport. Kirk Freeport played solid defense, with 2B Keirsten McLaughlin and SS Sofia Watler both turning in fine catches.

Kirk Freeport's win closed the gap in the standings and sets up an exciting finish to the season, with the month of May sure to see some great games leading up to the end-of-season tournament and all-star game.

The girls will have a pitching clinic and practice night on April 17th, followed by Easter Break until April 29th.



► Coldwell Banker - Sisters

Scoring by i	Scoring by inning:								
TEAM	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	TOTAL			
Kirk Freeport	4	5	0	3	1	13			
Coldwell Banker	1	1	1	1	0	4			

#### Current Standings:

TEAM	Won	Lost	Tied	RF	RA	GB
Coldwell Banker	5	1	1	64	45	0
Kirk Freeport	4	3	1	67	75	1.5
Scotiabank	1	6	0	65	76	4.5

## Team Jamaica Expects to Lead the Medal Count at CARIFTA 2019

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"When you look at the Trinidad, Barbados and Bahamas trials, 98 per cent of our athletes are ahead by performances on the track and in the field. Once they are wearing their national colours the Jamaican athletes always outperform and do well for their country, and so we are expecting the same this year," said Gayle.

Jamaica currently has four ladies on the world 100m list, but they have all decided to skip the event. Ashanti Moore (11.17) and Kevona Davis (11.19), who

are first and second respectively in the U20 division and twin sisters Tina Clayton (11.27) and Tia Clayton (11.37), who are first and third respectively on the U18 world list, will not be making the trip to Cayman.

However, the world's fastest junior female, Briana Williams, is expected to lead the way for Jamaica. Williams, who made her mark by winning the sprint double at the 2018 World U20 Championships, enters the event as the overwhelming favourite. She won the U17 sprint double last year at CARIF-TA and helped Jamaica to the 4x100m title, earning her the 2018 Austin Sealy award but says she is not sure if she will double at this year's Games.

In the U20 boys 100m, with the world leader Oblique Seville at 10.13 and second on the world list this year along with Ryiem Robertson at 10.19, Jamaica should face minimal problems in finishing first and second. Jeremy Farr and Wayne Pinnock are also world leaders in their events. Farr leads the world 400m list but will run the 200m, while Pinnock's 8.05m personal best in the long jump should set him up for a

Kai Chang, a World U20 champion in discus, is another athlete expected to do great things in Cayman and Ackera Nugent, who leads the world in the U20 girls' 100m hurdles with 13.26, a personal best done at Jamaica's trials, will be untouchable.

Team Jamaica will make the short journey to Cayman with a full team of 80 athletes and 12 officials.

CARIFTA tickets (Mackie Seymour Stand) are still available for purchase at Funky Tangs and all Reflections locations and also on www.caymancarifta2019.ky. 😚

## **Austin Sealy Award**

Over four decades ago, Sir Austin Sealy created CARIFTA, now one of the world's leading regional junior track and field meets. CARIFTA celebrates its 48th year in 2019 and despite a long list of stellar career achievements, Sealy still views the Caribbean's junior track and field championships as his biggest achievement in sports.

Sealy, a past president of the Barbados Olympic Association (BOA) and the first Barbadian to be a member of the International Olympic Committee, recalls that in the 1970s he had meetings with some fellow Barbadians about ath-

'We couldn't find any senior athletes at that time and it led in fact to the thinking that saw the birth of the CAR-IFTA Games," he explained. "In 1972 we had a few athletes on scholarship in the United States, but they weren't performing exceptionally well, so we thought we would start from scratch."

Thus, the CARIFTA Games was born. The name CARIFTA is the acronym used for the Caribbean Free Trade Association, which provided economic linkage between the English-speaking countries from 1965 to 1972 and was superseded by CARICOM. CARIFTA was meant to continue to enhance relations between the English-speaking countries of the Caribbean, but the CARIFTA Games took that idea a step further, including the French and Dutch Antilles in the annual junior track and field championship meet.

In 1977, the CARIFTA Games committee recommended the Austin Sealy Award be instituted to honour the contribution of Sir Austin Sealy in the development of the CARIFTA Games. This prestigious trophy is awarded to the most outstanding athlete for either his/



► A Sealy Trophy

her record accomplishment or quality of his/her performances as compared to other top medallists in each year CARIF-TA is held.

The Cayman Islands have won the award three times - in 1989 and 1990 by Kareem Streete-Thompson and in 1996 by Cydonie Mothersill.

#### **WINNERS 1977 - 2018**

🔤 Debbie Jones (BER) - 1977 🛌 Mary Ann Higgs (BAH) - 1978\* 🔀 Jon Jones (JAM) - 1979\* Richard Louis (BAR) - 1980\*

Candy Ford (BER) - 1981\* Laverne Eve (BAH) - 1982 Laverne Eve (BAH) - 1983 Pauline Davis (BAH) - 1984

Andrea Thomas (JAM) - 1985 Pascal Théophile (GLP) - 1986\* Nicole Springer (BAR) - 1987

Michelle Freeman (JAM) - 1988

Kareem Streete-Thompson (CAY) -1989\* Kareem Streete-Thompson (CAY) -

Minez Turner (JAM) - 1991 Claudine Williams (JAM) - 1992\* Nikole Mitchell (JAM) - 1993

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🔀 Roy Bailey (JAM) - 1997 Aleen Bailey (JAM) - 1997 Janill Williams (ATG) - 1998

Narrel Brown (TRI) - 1999\* Narrel Brown (TRI) - 2000\* Veronica Campbell (JAM) - 2001 Anneisha McLaughlin (JAM) -

2002\* Usain Bolt (JAM) - 2003

🔀 Usain Bolt (JAM) - 2004 Theon O'Conner (JAM) - 2005\* Gavyn Nero (TRI) - 2006\* Yohan Blake (JAM) - 2007

Kierre Beckles (BAR) - 2008 Kirani James (GRN) - 2009 lehue Gordon (TRI) - 2010 Anthonique Strachan (BAH) - 2011 Anthonique Strachan (BAH) - 2012

Shaunae Miller (BAH) - 2013 Akela Jones (BAR) - 2014 Mary Fraser (BAR) - 2015\* Anderson Peters (GRN) - 2016

Glenn Kunst (CUR) - 2017 Mariana Williams (JAM) - 2018 \* = Under-17 (before 2014) / Under-18



▶ International Olympic Committee (IOC) member Austin Llewellyn Sealy

## HSA laboratory professionals celebrate Lab Week

Laboratory professionals at the Health Services Authority (HSA) will dedicate time from their usual behind-the-scenes roles to celebrate Medical Laboratory Professionals Week, otherwise known as Lab Week, on 21-27 April, 2019 in the Cayman Islands.

Recognised internationally on the last week of April each year, Lab Week is a time to acknowledge medical laboratory professionals who play a vital part in healthcare and patient support. The

theme this year is "Get results: Take your lab to the next level". HSA's pathology laboratories at the Cayman Islands Hospital and Faith Hospital in Cayman Brac are ICI accredited.

As members of the Caribbean Association of Medical Technologists' (CAS-MET) Cayman Islands branch, laboratory professionals from HSA and other laboratories across the Cayman Islands have combined efforts to host two public events focused on the early detection and improvement of patients' results.

health Α free screening takes place Saturday, 20 April at the Foster's Food Fair in Countryside Shopping Village, Savannah from 8:00am - 1:00pm. Health checks include cholesterol, glucose, blood pressure and HBA1C also known Glyco Hb. A physician will also be on site to answer questions persons may have pertaining to their results.

A Lab Week 5K Fun Walk/Run will be held Sunday, 28 April at 5:30am. The route begins and ends at Smith Cove. Registration is \$20 and there will be T-shirts, awards and prizes.

"As laboratory professionals we may not interact directly with patients but we play a crucial role in the detection, diagnosis and treatment of disease in patients. The tests we conduct help determine the presence, extent or absence of disease and monitor the effectiveness of treatment," noted HSA Medical Technologist Marcia Robinson-Walters, who is also Vice President of the Regional Council of CASMET and Chairperson of the Cayman Islands branch.

"Though we work hard behind the scenes to provide the quality service our

▶ HSA Medical Technologist, Vice President, CASMET Regional Council and Chairperson of CASMET Cayman Islands Branch, Marcia Robinson-Walters

#### 3-bedroom, 2-bathroom house located in Edgehill Heights, St. Thomas, Barbados. Recently build home in a well-established and safe location. It is centrally located to many amenities such as stores, schools and public transportation. Quick commute to several lovely beaches. Has modern features such as granite countertops, stainless steel appliances and open floor plan. Each room in the house had panoramic views of the

House for sale in Barbados

countryside and plenty breeze. Asking price is USD

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patients need, we want to take the opportunity during Lab Week to be proactive with patient results. The free health screenings improve the chance of early detection and walk/run events are fun and social ways to promote health and fitness. We hope people will take advantage of these opportunities as well as show our islands laboratory staff some support," she added.

Participants may call 926-0844 / 939-8847 or visit https://www.caymanactive.com/events/812-lab-week-walkrun-2019 to register for the Lab Week Fun Walk/Run. 😚

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# Carifta Game Schedule



## The Opening Ceremony of the 48th Cayman Islands CARIFTA Championships is planned for Saturday April 20th, 2019 at 14:55 (GMT -5)

		DAY 1 - SATURDAY AF	RIL 20, 2019	A.M. – SESSI	ON 1
NO.	TIME	EVENT	GENDER	CATEGORY	ROUND
42	9:00	HIGH JUMP	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
43	9:00	HIGH JUMP	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
55	9:05	SHOT PUT	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
58	9:10	DISCUS	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
67-1	9:15	100 METERS HUR- DLES	FEMALE	OPEN	HEPTATHALON (1)
69-1	9:20	100 METERS	MALE	OPEN	OCTATHALON (1)
3	9:30	100 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 17	SEMI FINALS
1	10:00	100 METERS	MALE	UNDER 17	SEMI FINALS
4	10:30	100 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 20	SEMI FINALS
2	11:00	100 METERS	MALE	UNDER 20	SEMI FINALS
67-2	11:05	HIGH JUMP	FEMALE	OPEN	HEPTATHALON (2)
69-2	11:10	LONG JUMP	MALE	OPEN	OCTATHALON (2)
53	11:15	SHOT PUT	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
60	11:20	DISCUS	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
11	11:30	400 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 17	SEMI FINALS
9	11:50	400 METERS	MALE	UNDER 17	SEMI FINALS
12	12:10	400 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 20	SEMI FINALS
10	12:30	400 METERS	MALE	UNDER 20	SEMI FINALS

		DAY 1 - SATURDAY API	RIL 20, 2010	P.M SESSI	ON 2
NO.	TIME	EVENT	GENDER	CATEGORY	ROUND
OC1	14:55	OPENING CEREMONY			
MP1	16:30	MEDAL PRESENTA- TIONS			
41	17:00	HIGH JUMP	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
45	17:05	LONG JUMP	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
67-3	17:10	SHOT PUT	FEMALE	OPEN	HEPTATHALON (3)
19	18:05	1500 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
17	18:15	1500 METERS	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
69-3	18:20	SHOT PUT	MALE	OPEN	OCTATHALON (3)
20	18:25	1500 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
18	18:35	1500 METERS	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
MP2	18:45	MEDAL PRESENTA- TIONS			
48	19:00	LONG JUMP	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
64	19:05	JAVELIN	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
67-4	19:10	200 METERS	FEMALE	OPEN	HEPTATHALON (4)
11	19:25	400 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
9	19:32	400 METERS	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
12	19:40	400 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
10	19:47	400 METERS	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
69-4	19:55	400 METERS	MALE	OPEN	OCTATHALON (4)
MP3	19:58	MEDAL PRESENTA- TIONS			
3	20:10	100 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
1	20:17	100 METERS	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
4	20:25	100 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
2	20:32	100 METERS	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL

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		DAY 2 – SUNDAY APRI	· ·		
NO.	TIME	EVENT	GENDER	CATEGORY	ROUND
63	9:00	JAVELIN	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
67-5	9:05	LONG JUMP	FEMALE	OPEN	HEPTATHALON (5)
69-5	9:10	110 METERS HUR- DLES	MALE	OPEN	OCTATHALON (5)
7	9:30	200 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 17	SEMI FINALS
5	9:45	200 METERS	MALE	UNDER 17	SEMI FINALS
8	10:00	200 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 20	SEMI FINALS
6	10:15	200 METERS	MALE	UNDER 20	SEMI FINALS
67-6	11:00	JAVELIN	FEMALE	OPEN	HEPTATHALON (6)
69-6	11:05	HIGH JUMP	MALE	OPEN	OCTATHALON (6)
47	11:10	LONG JUMP	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
14	11:15	800 METERS	MALE	UNDER 20	SEMI FINALS



► Team Cayman opening ceremony

		DAY 2 – SUNDAY APRIL	. 21, 2019 P	M SESSION	14
NO.	TIME	EVENT	GENDER	CATEGORY	ROUND
MP4	16:45	MEDAL PRESENTA- TIONS			
52	17:05	TRIPLE JUMP	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
69-7	17:10	JAVELIN	MALE	OPEN	OCTATHALON (7)
30	17:45	400 METERS HURDLES	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
31	17:55	400 METERS HURDLES	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
28	18:05	400 METERS HURDLES	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
29	18:15	400 METERS HURDLES	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
MP5	18:17	MEDAL PRESENTA- TIONS			
15	18:30	800 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
13	18:40	800 METERS	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
16	18:50	800 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
14	19:00	800 METERS	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
40	19:05	HIGH JUMP	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
67-7	19:07	800 METERS	FEMALE	OPEN	HEPTATHLON (7)
46	19:10	LONG JUMP	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
61	19:15	JAVELIN	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
MP6	19:16	MEDAL PRESENTA- TIONS			
69-8	19:50	1500 METERS	MALE	OPEN	OCTATHALON (8)
7	20:10	200 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
5	20:20	200 METERS	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
8	20:30	200 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
6	20:40	200 METERS	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL

		DAY 3 – MONDAY APRII	. 22, 2019 A	A.M SESSIO	N 5
NO.	TIME	EVENT	GENDER	CATEGORY	ROUND
44	10:00	POLE VAULT	MALE	OPEN	FINAL
50	10:05	TRIPLE JUMP	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
62	10:10	JAVELIN	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
27	10:15	110 METERS HURDLES	MALE	UNDER 20	SEMI FINALS

		DAY 3 - MONDAY APRII	. 22, 2019 I	P.M. – SESSION	16
NO.	TIME	EVENT	GENDER	CATEGORY	ROUND
MP7	15:45	MEDAL PRESENTA- TIONS			
49	16:00	TRIPLE JUMP	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
54	16:10	SHOT PUT	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
59	16:15	DISCUS	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
34	16:20	4 X 100 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
32	16:30	4 X 100 METERS	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
35	16:40	4 X 100 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
33	16:50	4 X 100 METERS	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
MP8	16:55	MEDAL PRESENTA- TIONS			
22	17:15	3000 METERS	FEMALE	OPEN	FINAL
21	17:35	3000 METERS	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
MP9	17:50	MEDAL PRESENTA- TIONS			
51	18:05	TRIPLE JUMP	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
56	18:08	SHOT PUT	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
57	18:11	DISCUS	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
24	18:15	100 METERS HURDLES	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
25	18:25	100 METERS HURDLES	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
26	18:40	110 METERS HURDLES	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
27	18:55	110 METERS HURDLES	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
23	19:05	5000 METERS	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
MP10	19:25	MEDAL PRESENTA- TIONS			
38	19:35	4 X 400 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
36	19:50	4 X 400 METERS	MALE	UNDER 17	FINAL
39	20:00	4 X 400 METERS	FEMALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
37	20:15	4 X 400 METERS	MALE	UNDER 20	FINAL
MP11	20:30	MEDAL PRESENTA- TIONS			
CC1		CLOSING CEREMONY			

#### \*Subject to change







## Le Masque dinner show returns to Batabano

### Violin Queen Mapy to perform

Organizers of Cayman Carnival Batabano are bringing back its signature dinner show, Le Masque, at the historic Pedro St. James Castle this year, featuring "The Violin Queen", Mapy, with her unique fusion of Soca and Afro-Beat violin music.

Held on Thursday May 2, 2019, Le Masque is an exclusive dinner and show event offering local residents and visitors an elegant dining experience under the stars

"Le Masque is definitely back by popular demand this year and we are so thrilled to have Mapy as our headlining artist performing at our historic Pedro St. James Castle, along with some of Cayman's top local singers," said Batabano Chairperson, Donna Myrie-Stephen. "Mapy's amazing talent of fusing elegant violin with Caribbean and afro-beat music is a perfect fit for an event like this at such a prestigious location in Cayman, and we are so excited to host her here."

Event attendees will dine on a buffet of traditional Caymanian cuisine, including lobster, conch, and Cayman-style beef, among other local dishes and desserts.

Mrs. Myrie-Stephen said the dress code has been elevated to "island elegant" this year, in-keeping with the event's "masquerade" theme infused with local culture, and guests are encouraged to wear creative headpieces and masks of their own. A charitable raffle will also be held throughout the evening, with part-proceeds going to local environmental and turtle conservation.

Tickets are just CI\$100 and includes: a masquerade mask; champagne cocktail hour; elegant Caymanian cuisine dinner with wine; and international and local entertainment. There will also be a cash cocktail har.

Tickets are now available for sale at Le Classique on Mary Street where tables of 10 can be booked for CI\$80 per ticket, or regular tickets can be purchased online at www. eventpro.ky.

Sponsorship opportunities are available for the local business community to support and get involved with this event.

For details, call 949-7121 or email batabano-caymancarnival@gmail. com. For information about Cayman Carnival Batabano 2019, visit www.caymancarnival.

#### **ABOUT MAPY**

Mapy, AKA The Violin Queen, exploded on the music scene with her patented sound that is redefining her classical instrument by infusing soca, hip hop and afro-beat music into the traditional classical sound to create a brand of music that has never before been seen or accepted by the critics and the masses alike. Mapy is a Réunion Island native who uncovered her passion for music at the young age of

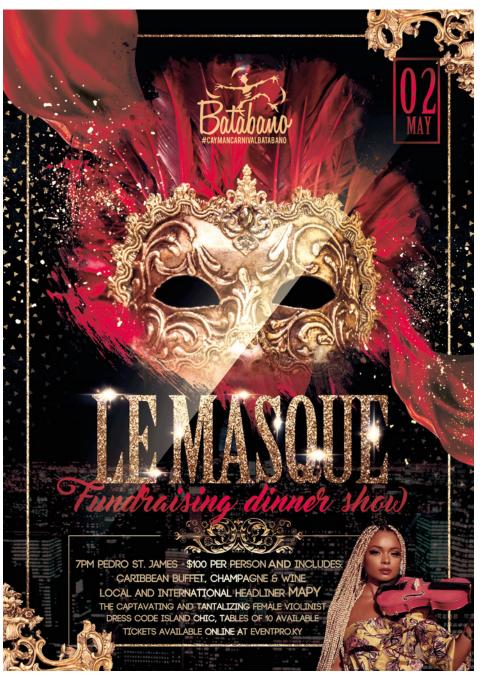
six when she began studying the art of the violin at the Conservatory in Paris, France. It was there that Mapy's love for the violin took hold and she became the leader of the first violin section in the Symphony Orchestra as well as attending the school as 1st chair for 10



years. Upon graduation Mapy spread her respect for the classical instrument though her work as a music teacher, where she taught the violin to both the young and old. Though a fulfilling career, Mapy knew that her legend would be created as an artist and in 2013 she joined Airplay Musical Group where she was booked for a litany of luxury

events that expanded her brand and introduce her patented style of music to an ever growing number of fans. As Mapy's musical prowess continued to grow, so did her yearning to explore additional musical opportunities. It was in 2014 that she made the life changing decision to pursue a solo career as a Hip-Hop, Dancehall & Soca violinist. A genre that she singlehandedly ushered onto the scene, Mapy's hard work and dedication to success allowed her to obtain a throng of fans and supporters while she continued to elevate her music. In July 2017, Mapy released her freshman album, Island Girl, which took the world by storm as it debuted at #1 on the iTunes reggae charts within hours of its release. Mapy composes and produces her own music, and is currently working on her first album. Her first single "Dreams" was recently released. Today, Mapy is gearing up for performances all over the world, which will bring her front and center to the thousands of fans who

have made her an online and viral success. Mapy's classically infused style of music has separated her from the pack, while her undoubted abilities have cemented her as a musical powerhouse, who is primed and ready for the next phase of her journey to super stardom. For more information about Mapy, visit www.mapyviolinist.com



#### POLICE NEWS

## Man Arrested for Drug Related offences in Little Cayman, 15 April

Just before 4:30PM on Saturday 13 April, a 48-year-old-man was arrested on suspicion of possession of cocaine and suspicion of possession of ganja near a liquor-licensed establishment on Little Cayman.

This arrest was made as result of the officers making checks at the establishment and observing a man acting suspiciously. When the officers approached the man they saw him throw something away. The

officers retrieved the object, which was a plastic wrapper containing a powdery substance believed to be cocaine. The man was searched under the Misuse of Drugs and a second plastic wrapper containing suspected ganja was recovered.

The man was subsequently arrested by the attending officers on suspicion of possession of cocaine and ganja and other related offences; he was later granted bail as the investigations continue.

## Update: Fatal vehicle accident on Monday April 15

The 28-year-old man of George Town who was arrested on 15 April in connection with this fatal accident has now been charged with the following:

- Causing Death by Dangerous Driv-
- Driving Whilst Disqualified
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- Unlawful Use of a VehicleUsing an Unlicensed Vehicle

• Using an Uninspected Vehicle.

He was scheduled to appear in court on April 17, 2019

Police have confirmed the identity of the victim as 21-year-old Ignacio Kirzner, an Argentinian national living in Cayman.

The RCIPS extends condolences to the family and friends of the deceased.

#### WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST

**Thursday Friday** Saturday Sunday **Monday Tuesday** Wednesday 82°/79°F 83°/78°F 82°/78°F 80°/78°F **°**/78°F Clouds and sun, Some sun, a Partly sunny; Sunshine and A passing Partly sunny Mostly sunny a shower shower in spots shower or two pleasant patchy clouds

CRUISE SHIP SCHEDULE - WEEK - APRIL 21 - 27



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Brilliance of the Seas	Adventure of the Seas	Carnival Paradise	Carnival Vista	Carnival Miracle	
		MSC Seaside	Monarch	Celebrity Equinox		
			Norwegian Epic			
			Liberty of the Seas			
Total Passengers	Total Passengers	Total Passengers	Total Passengers	Total Passengers	Total Passengers	Total Passengers
	2,500	7,140	13,318	6,450	2,680	

## The Power of Change

thing about your life right now?

I'm here to argue that change can happen in an instant.

I know this goes against popular thought. Most people believe that change has to be worked at for months or even years. We expect to try and fail numerous times before we ultimately give up or succeed.

How many people do you know who struggle with their weight? They want to make a healthy change by getting in shape, but the change never seems to

Is there something in your life that you want to change? Do you have weight to lose? Do you have high blood pressure? Do you have a pair of pants that you wish you could fit into?

What is keeping you from making a positive change in your life?

According to professional speaker and author, Anthony Robbins, it's the getting ready to change that takes time. In the end there's a single instant when the change occurs. Robbins goes on to outline three specific beliefs that you must have in order to instantly create a lasting change.

Belief #1: Something must change. Do you sort of want to get into shape, or do you absolutely have to lose the weight? Does dropping a few pounds sound nice, or is living another day in your current body unbearable? In order to make a lasting change you must be convinced that the time has come.

It is vital that you take full responsibility in making the change. Sure, others may assist you, but in the

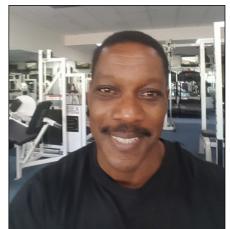
Belief #2: I must change it.

end you are the one who is going to make it happen. You have to need this change enough to make it your personal mission—no one else will do it for you.

Belief #3: I can change it.

Don't let past failures get in your way. The truth is that you do amazing things when you put your mind to it. Believe that you are capable of losing weight or making any other positive change in your life.

Why do most people fail to make lasting change? They leave it up to willpower. This works for awhile, but



► Ernest-Ebanks

you'll always revert back to what's comfortable. The solution?

Change what you're comfortable

You've probably heard that humans are motivated by two things: 1) to avoid pain and 2) to gain pleasure. When you want to change a behavior pattern the key is to associate pain with the behavior that you don't want and pleasure with the behavior that you do want.

You know that you want to lose weight and that to do so you need to quit eating comfort food late at night. You also know that you need to start exercising on a regular basis. Up until this point your brain is trained to associate pleasure with eating comfort food late at night and to associate pain with exercise.

It's time to retrain your brain to feel good about exercise and to feel bad about eating late at night. Think about all of the negative things about being overweight and connect these unpleasant thoughts to your late night snack. Now think about all of the wonderful things about being in shape and connect these pleasant thoughts to ex-

You are capable of making a big change in your life. Start by calling Ernest at Body Shapers Fitness Studio 325-8696 or emailing me at bodvshaperscayman@gmail.com your no obligation fitness consultation.

Remember, change can happen in an instant. 😚

## **Grass-Fed Beef**

from of proteins you can buy. It has an extensive micro- nutrient profile and flourishes with a huge supply of brain friendly Omega 3's fatty acids. Cattle were created to feed on grass, especially open pastures. However, as the demand for beef has intensified over the last century, farmers started feeding their herds grain- based products, usually made from corn or soy. So the difference between grass fed and grain fed has to do with their diet. One is fed on grass while the other is fed on grains. If you are looking for beef obtained from cows fed on grass look for, "grass finished label."

Here are some health benefits to go for grass fed.

Has fewer calories - In the U.S. a typical yearly amount of beef eaten by someone is 67 pounds. Switching to grass- fed beef will save a whopping 16, 652 calories, according to EatWild.com founder, Jo Robinson.

Helps supports healthy blood sugar **levels -** This is a revelation indeed. Who would have thought beef could do this? Beef from these cows contains a special beneficial fatty acid called CLA(Conjugated Linoleic Acid). A recent double - blinded study found that 37% of par-



ticipants who were given CLA demonstrated better insulin sensitivity as opposed to those who didn't take any.

Helps fight cancer - This according to Keto diet. The CLA in this type of beef is double the amount found in grain-fed type. A study conducted on women who were given higher amounts of CLA- rich foods had a 60% lower risk in breast cancer over those who didn't have any.

Contains more healthy fats - It provides up to 6 times more Omega 3 fatty acids as compared with grain fed beef. This increased in the fatty acids aids in alleviating Rheumatoid Arthritis, depression and focus.

Decreases risk of heart disease - It packs a punch with high amounts of vitamin E, less unhealthy fats, and lower amounts of bad cholesterol. So let's beef it up! 🌎



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## Caymanian Students Selected as 2019 UWC Scholars

The United World College Cayman Islands Board of Directors and National Committee is pleased to announce that Aleigha General and Ayanna Davis-Eden have been selected as its 2019 scholars. Aleigha General is set to attend Li Po Chun UWC in Hong Kong and Ayana Davis-Eden is set to attend UWC Thailand.

"It is inspiring to receive applications from some of Cayman's best students each year," explained Chair of this year's Selection Committee Martina Jackson (Waterford Kamhlaba UWCSA '10). "Aleigha and Ayanna both stood out as individuals who not only have strong academic abilities and are involved in the community, but individuals who also have a strong passion for the future of the Cayman Islands and will represent our country well."

Studying for the rigorous two-year International Baccalaureate Diploma (IB), Aleigha and Ayanna will live and study alongside other successful young people from diverse cultures and backgrounds who are also committed to the UWC mission of using education as a force to unite young people for peace and a sustainable future.

"We were delighted to also work with the colleges and our Foundation

to award scholarship funding to each of our new scholars, ensuring our selection process continues to be carried out entirely on the basis of merit," added Chairperson of UWC Cayman Islands Aubrey Bodden (UWC-USA '04). "Fundraising activities, direct financial support offered by the colleges on an as-needed basis, and grants from long-standing local donors such as the Maples Group and Aall Foundation ensure cost is never a barrier to the most deserving students accessing a UWC education."

Aleigha and Ayanna join current Caymanian scholars Fenna Madison (UWC ISAK Japan '20), Mark Plowright (UWC Adriatic '20) and Juliana Gaspar (UWC-USA '20), who are now completing their first years at UWC colleges. Elijah Samson (Li Po Chun UWC '19), Marley McCoy (Pearson College UWC '19) and Courtney Thomas (UWC Maastricht '19), will graduate from their respective UWC colleges next month and all three plan to move on to tertiary stud-

For more information on the selection process or our scholars, please visit http://ky.uwc.org or contact us at uwccaymanislands@gmail.com. (\*)

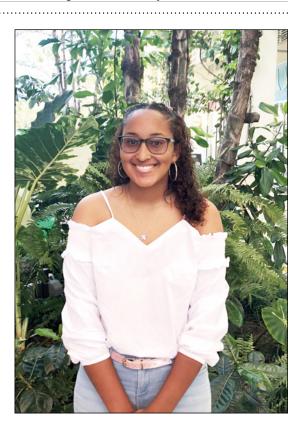


L-R: UWC Cayman Islands 2019 Scholars Aleigha General and Ayanna Davis-Eden

Aleigha General is set to attend Li Po Chun UWC in Hong Kong. Currently a student at John Gray High School, she is in the top 10 percent of students in her year group and is privileged to serve in the position of Deputy Head Girl. Aleigha is a well-rounded student who devotes much of her time outside the classroom participating in Junior Achievement, Key Club, Cadets and Leo's Club. She has a strong passion for giving back to her community and volunteers for organisations such as Cayman Animal Rescue Enthusiasts (CARE) and the Humane Society. This passion for her community and animals has led her to pursue a career in veterinary medicine and she hopes to open her own veterinary clinic in the Cayman Islands. 😚



Ayanna Davis-Eden is set to attend UWC Thailand in Phuket. A creative at heart, this Triple C High School student enjoys avenues for expressing herself which include, but are not limited to, filmmaking and cooking. She is a featured presenter on Radio Cayman's YouthFlex show and has volunteered time working backstage at some of the country's popular theatre shows performed at the Harquail Theatre. In 2018, Ayanna and a partner competed in the Caribbean Junior Duelling Challenge in Barbados where she won gold for both her plates and placed second out of nine teams from across the Caribbean region. Her passion for the arts has led her to pursue a career in film production. 😚



## MOMENTS OF INSPIRATION What's All the Fuss About? By the Rev'd Christopher Pierce Time was designated as BC and AD... day and was truly raised from the dead

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This time of year, you see a lot of marketing efforts to sell chocolates and bunny stuff...all very loosely associated with that most sacred of Christian holidays, Easter or Resurrection Day. Unfortunately, most of the advertising has nothing to do with the real reason for the marking the day set aside. It is one of two days in the year where that the secular calendar coincides with the Christian...the other being Christmas. So, what is all the fuss about? Why do people who rarely give thought or expression to anything religious suddenly feel an inward compulsion to go a Christian place of worship and put in an appearance?

It would seem most likely that it is a cultural carryover from the time when that the Christian faith was not only professed but practised as a societal norm. It was a simpler time. A time when boundaries and a lack of uncertainty marked, informed, and shaped our day to day living. There was no confusion about the calendar. Sunday was the first day of the week, not Monday.

before Christ and in the Year of Our Lord...not Before the Common Era and the Common Era.

We now live in a time when societal norms and morals are shifting. People who won't say with certainty that something is sexually immoral is sinful lest they be thought judgemental, profess with absolute certainty that the old ways were absolutely too narrow and certain. They do so without realising they are sitting in judgement on the norms and boundaries that gave us the culture so much of the world are willing to chance death to participate in.

There was a reason that those old norms and boundaries were in place. They were considered to have been derived from the clear teaching of the Bible. In other words, they were considered as divinely revealed truth and as such were the foundations of our society. They weren't humanly derived... they were given by God.

So, what is all the fuss about Easter? Why do we mark it? Why is it on the calendar? Well, for starters, it is because it isn't a made-up thing...it's true. Jesus was really crucified on a Fri-

the following Sunday morning. How do we know? The four Gospels provide the earliest accounts and the reality is that the message of the Gospel...the call to repentance and faith in Jesus Christ spread like wild-fire in the face of relentless persecution and is now professed by 2.2 billion of the world's inhabitants and it continues to grow, in spite of continued persecution in places like China and the various Muslim countries where it is outlawed or controlled by the government.

The Christian faith holds at its very heart...that Jesus truly did die on the cross outside of Jerusalem and that God the Father truly did raise him from the dead. As the Apostle Paul put it, "For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."

So, what is all the fuss about? It is about Jesus Christ both fully God and fully man, who though sinless, died for sinners and furthermore was raised from the dead and after appearing many times to his disciples and a crowd of 500 at one time, ascended into heaven from whence he shall come



► The Rev'd Christopher Pierce

to judge the quick and the dead. It isn't about chocolates or bunnies. It is about life-changing, nay world-changing truth but one that must be experienced personally, not just culturally.

GLOBAL NEWS BRIEFS

## Notre Dame donations flood in

France's three wealthiest families are coming to the rescue of a national icon, spearheading a fundraising drive to rebuild Notre Dame that has already topped \$800 million.

The billionaires behind luxury giants LVMH Group, Kering and L'Oreal have pledged a combined €500 million (\$565 million) after a massive fire ripped through the Paris cathedral.

LVMH and its CEO Bernard Arnault have promised \$226 million. The donation has been matched by the Bettencourt Meyers family, which controls L'Oreal. The Pinault family, which operates luxury conglomerate Kering has pledged \$113 million.

The three fashion dynasties have invoked patriotism and shared cultural identity in explaining their generosity following the devastating fire.

Other French companies have also written big checks: The oil and gas company Total has promised \$113 million, while tech and consulting firm Capgemini will give \$1.1 million.

Combined with other donations from companies including French bank Crédit Agricole, the total amount pledged by business and wealthy donors is expected to top \$1bn soon.

Meanwhile, the French prime minister, Edouard Philippe, has announced an international architecture competition to rebuild the spire of Notre Dame Cathedral.

The 93-metre spire collapsed on Monday in a fire that began at its base and spread through the cathedral's ribbed roof, made up of hundreds of oak beams, some dating back to the 13th century.

Mr Philippe said the competition aimed to give "Notre Dame a spire adapted to techniques and challenges of our times". He said authorities had no estimation yet of the total cost of the renovation work.

The French president, Emmanuel Macron, said in an address that he wanted the cathedral to be rebuilt within five years and be "more beautiful than be-



▶ Notre Dame is a French and international icon

## Alo is Canada's best diner again

Canada's 100 Best Restaurants has announced its fifth annual ranking and a fine dining spot in Toronto has taken top honours again. Alo, headed by chef-owner Patrick Kriss, was named best in Canada for the third year running. The French restaurant and cocktail bar pairs seasonal ingredients with a contemporary vibe, offering blind, multi-course tasting menus paired with distinctive wines. The bar room accepts walkins, and there you can enjoy cocktails and a sharing-style, à la carte menu consisting of seafood, meat-based entrées, vegetable-focused sides, and desserts. Bookings for the dining room open two months at a time and can only be made through their website. The two different dining experiences, the Dining Room and the Kitchen Counter, are priced at \$135 and \$165 respectively, with the option of adding wine pairings. Mr Kriss, who has opened three restaurants in as many years - including Aloette (No. 35) and Alobar (No. 65) - was also named Canada's Most Outstanding Chef. Montreal institutions Joe Beef (No. 2) and Toqué! (No. 3) round out the top three. 



► Alo was voted Canada's top restaurant again

Toronto is home to the most top-ranking restaurants with 26 of the 100. Montreal is a close second with 25 followed by Vancouver with 14. The ranking was determined by the votes of a panel of nearly 100 judges, made up of chefs, restaurateurs, food writers and others in the industry across the country.

Other honourees include Normand Laprise of Toqué! (No. 3), who garnered the Lifetime Achievement Award, Best Pastry Chef Celeste Mah of Raymonds, Most Innovative Chef Antonin Mousseau-Rivard of Montreal's Le Mousso, and Sal Howell of Calgary's River Café, which was named Most Eco-Friendly Restaurant.

## **Duterte finally** signs budget

President Rodrigo Duterte has finally signed a 3.7 trillion-peso (\$71.5 billion) budget for this year, its largest ever, ending months of impasse that forced the Philippines to cut its growth

The Philippines last month cut its 2019 growth target to 6-7 percent from 7-8 percent, reflecting the absence of a new budget and the impact of the U.S.-China trade dispute.

In signing the budget, the president vetoed \$1.8 billion worth of appropriations, Executive Secretary Salvador Medialdea announced. Vetoed items include non-priority public works, he said.

Months of squabbling between the upper and lower chambers of the house delayed the transmission of this year's national budget to the president.

For next year, economic managers will propose a 4.1 trillion



▶ President Rodrigo Duterte stalled on signing off the budget

peso (\$79.3 billion) national budget. The Philippines, among the fastest growing economies in Asia, is aiming for growth of 6.5-7.5 percent in 2020, and 7-8 percent in 2021 and 2022, mainly through an extensive infrastructure overhaul.

The Philippine economy grew 6.2 percent in 2018, the slowest in three years, because of weak exports, manufacturing and farm output. 😚

## Cuba under more Trump pressure

President Donald Trump has approved a move intended to further choke off foreign investment in Cuba by lifting longstanding limits on American citizens seeking to sue over property confiscated by the Havana government going back to Fidel Castro's revolution six decades ago.

The decision, a sharp departure from the policy of the last three presidents, could open the floodgates to thousands of lawsuits against foreign companies and individuals accused of seizing property. By doing so, Mr Trump hopes to raise the pressure on Cuba, but risks another rupture with American allies in Europe and Canada that scrambled to head off the change in recent days.

The action was announced by the State Department on Wednesday and discussed by the president's national security adviser, John R. Bolton, in a speech in Miami marking the 58th anniversary of the Bay of Pigs operation that failed to topple the Castro government during the early days of John F. Kennedy's administration. Mr Trump is trying to force Havana to back off its support for Venezuela's leader, Nicolás Maduro, whom administration officials said Cuba had propped up with more than 20,000 troops.

In his decision to lift the limits, Mr Trump brushed aside protests by European leaders who brought their objections to Washington in recent weeks. Spain's foreign minister met with Mr Bolton, and other European officials pressed Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, arguing that such a move would harm their businesses.

The European Union threatened last week to sue the United States at the World Trade Organisation if it proceeded and suggested that counterclaims could be filed in European courts against American firms that took advantage of the new policy. "The EU will be obliged to use all means at its disposal," the union's foreign policy chief and trade commissioner wrote in a letter to Mr Pompeo. ③



► Cubans will suffer more from Trump's latest tactic

## Honduran city uses plastic for roads

A city in Honduras has found a solution to prevent thousands of tonnes of plastic from going into the Atlantic by turning them into asphalt.

Dolphins can now dance freely in Utila's turquoise waters without fearing that plastic will end up in their stomachs.

The five million plastic bottles that each year make their way to the Honduran island, in the Caribbean department of Islas de la Bahía, will no longer finish in the ocean.

The island's authorities are now using the raw material to pave Utila's streets, keeping the cetaceans,

whose dance attracts 2.3 million tourists each year, safe from the plastic invasion.

The municipality's innovative solution is a mixture of plastic bottles and cement and aims to stop the environmental pollution that threatens not only the impressive dolphin sanctuary, but all the marine species currently living in the second largest reef in the world.

"About five million plastic bottles arrive at the island each year, in addition to what the sea brings to the beaches," said Utila's mayor, Troy Bodden, "so we decided to get rid of this plastic by shredding it and using it as a material for the concrete mix to pave our streets."

Inspired by an idea that was first applied in India, Utila's plastic roads are more sustainable, durable and cheaper than conventional roads. It was the Indian example, coupled with a tourist's video of Canada's plastic roads, that inspired Mayor Bod-

Mr. Bodden said 28 per cent of the pavement formula comes from shredded plastic, which allows the municipality to save money that would otherwise be spent on cement.

The pilot project was conducted on a 180-metre long street located in the centre of the island, which the mayor renamed Holland, and cost two million Honduran lempiras (KY \$42,000). A second road was later paved - the 390-metre long Lo-



▶ Utila in Honduras is using plastic to pave its roads

zano Street. To make the pavement, some 150,000 soft drink bottles were converted into 3,600 kg of shredded plastic, then mixed with cement and sand in a laboratory in the city of San Pedro Sula, in northern Honduras, to test its resistance to weight and weather conditions.

He was a swimming teacher to children of A-listers including Stella McCartney and Sir Richard Branson before turning his hand to writing and creating his beloved mouse hero in collaboration with author and illustrator Gene-

Books such as 'Rastamouse And Da Bag-a Bling' and 'Rastamouse And the Crucial Plan' were written in African-Caribbean patois as the hero set about his mission to "make a bad ting good".

The character eventually transferred to television in 2011, running for three series and 52 episodes on CBeebies until 2015.

Mr De Souza was charged last month with benefit fraud by allegedly failing to declare his earnings as an author to the Department for Work and Pensions.

The Trinidad-born writer appeared at London's Southwark crown court on Monday to deny the charges. Judge Michael Gledhill gave him permission to keep his hat on, in accordance with his Rastafarian religion, for the brief hearing.

He is due to stand trial from July 22. ③

## Jamaica Government Weighing Options After Court Declares ID Law Unconstitutional

The Jamaica government is contemplating its next move after suffering a huge blow when the Constitutional Court struck down legislation to create a national identification system.

In a brief statement, the Andrew Holness administration said it "is respectful of the court's ruling and will spend some time carefully reviewing the judgment, after which a more fulsome response will be forthcoming".

Last Friday, Chief Justice Bryan Sykes delivered the ruling of the three-member panel that the National Identification and Registration Act, which is referred to as the NIDS Act, was null and void due to infringements on privacy as well as an individual's right to choice.

"Having declared some of the provisions in violation of the charter, we are of the view that what was left could not stand because...it was so bound up with the other provisions that there is no way it could survive by itself... and the other

route was that what was left would still be in violation of the constitution... And so we are of the view that the National Identification and Registration Act is to be declared null and void and of no legal effect," he said.

The NIDS was intended to provide a comprehensive structure to enable the capture and storage of identity information for all Jamaicans. Under the system, each citizen would be provided with a nine-digit National Identification Number (NIN), which they would have for life. Every Jamaican was expected to register for a NIN, and those who did would be unable to access certain government services and risked criminal prosecution.

However, the Chief Justice said the collection of biometric data under NIDS would impact information privacy.

"The legislation here in Jamaica makes provision in some instances for iris scans. The literature tells us that you can glean information about a person's state of health from an iris scan, you can determine almost what illness they are suffering, what is the likely medication they are on, and other things that are very personal and private to them. So, it is not just simply a matter of we are just collecting biometric information to be used for identification; there are other implications of that, so hence the question of

informational privacy loomed large in our considerations," he said, adding that the protections under the Act for the storage and safety of information while in the possession of the State were inadequate.

Justice Sykes also contended that the mandatory requirement of the NIDS Act deprives the individual of choice.



▶ Prime Minister Andrew Holness

The challenge to the Act had been brought by the opposition People's National Party (PNP) General Secretary Julian Robinson who said certain provisions of the law infringe some of his constitutional rights. He said the legislation was flawed as a result of the Government acting too hastily to implement it.

## **Barbados to Get A Dedicated Family Court This Year**

Barbados' judiciary has taken the first step to establishing a dedicated Family Court with the appointment of a consultant to oversee the process.

Chief Justice Sir Marston Gibson announced the appointment of Master Christie-Ann Morris-Alleyne as a consultant to Barbados' Family Court Project during a recent meeting with representatives from the Family Law Council and the UNICEF Regional Office.

UNICEF is funding the consultancy, together with the training of judges and ancillary court staff.

Sir Marston said that mature countries were dispensing justice by specialization, which meant that they were now moving towards solution oriented courts which were dedicated to resolving a particular set of issues.

The Chief Justice added that the journey to establishing a Family Court for Barbados was "not easy", but was made possible through assistance and funding from UNICEF

"We are grateful to UNICEF and the United Nations for assisting us in setting this court up.... Economically, we are going through 'growing pains' as we are now in an IMF (International Monetary Fund) programme, and funds are not easy to come by, so we are always grateful to the donor agencies for assisting us in projects which would redound to the benefit of the court system and the Barbadian society as a whole," he said.

Chairman of the Family Law Council, Justice Jacqueline Cornelius, welcomed the consultant and stated that "we intend to get this Family Court up and running".

She explained that the source of a lot of poverty, dysfunction and alienation in society could be dealt with at the level of the family, through providing support for children, identifying those in need, and reducing the level of violence against women.

"We know these are the building blocks of the society, and if we do not maintain those building blocks, no amount of changes in legislation, increases in security, or financial support will help. We know, and we are committed to working with those building blocks," she said.

The Family Law Council is tasked with spearheading the creation of the court, after almost two decades of advocacy and lobbying.

Representative for the UNICEF Office of the Eastern Caribbean Area, Dr Aloys Kamuragiye lauded the court's move to establish a Family Court as it was "key for the stability of Barbados".

He gave the assurance that the international agency would give the judiciary the required support in facilitating the process.

"You are not alone. We have seen the political will at the highest level. The resources come after, but it takes political will. If you don't have the support at the highest level it will not be sustainable," Dr Kamuragiye pointed out.

However, he noted that the process needed to be a participatory one, with buy-in from the experts.

During her address, Morris-Alleyne noted that dealing with family issues and finding the relevant family solutions was a key part of addressing the difficulties within a society.



► Chief Justice Sir Marston Gibson

However, she said it was "extremely important" to pick a Family Court model designed for Barbados.

"We must never pick a model off a shelf and simply plug it into another society," she said.

Morris-Alleyne added that the study and analysis on the right solution to setting up a Family Court for Barbados would take a "bit of time".

"It means studying the institutions and organizations, and touching people and understanding the needs of people, and what services must be provided for the people and where those services must be provided," she said.

The Barbados Family Court is expected to come on stream in November to coincide with the 30th anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, to which the island is a signatory.

## Barbados Gun Amnesty Nets 32 Guns; Police Chief Says it Wasn't Very Successful

Government's one-week gun amnesty netted 32 firearms and 1,758 rounds of assorted ammunition, many of them small-calibre and old. And while Commissioner of Police Tyrone Griffith does not see that as very successful, he said

yesterday that "any firearms and ammunition that are taken off the streets gives less potential for someone to be injured".

And the top cop also said he would be paying more attention to stopping ille-

gal guns getting into the country in the first place, as he suggested that corrupt practices at the ports of entry could be hampering police efforts.

At a press conference yesterday to update the country on the outcome of the amnesty that ran from April 7 to 13, Commissioner Griffith admitted that the police did not expect much from the amnesty. He said most of the firearms turned in were small-calibre guns. The haul also included nine semi-automatic hand guns and four high-powered rifles that Griffith said were "quite ancient" but still capable of inflicting injury.

"I think, though, that in itself is some success, in that these firearms, I am sure the firearm experts would say, are very capable of firing ammunition and the ammunition that was there," he said.

"We had no illusions as to the likely good of the perpetrators of much of the heinous crime we have had for the first three and a half months of the year turning in those weapons. However, we were supportive of the amnesty because...if you are going to introduce more stringent measures to address the whole

question of bail for matters involving firearm usage, then I think it is only fair and reasonable to provide likely perpetrators an opportunity to turn in any such weapons that they might have. So, certainly we did not anticipate that we would have been very successful, but we thought it was the right thing to do."

The island's police chief told the media that the focus is on "heightening activity in relation to...preventing [illegal firearms] from entering our porous borders" and weeding out any corrupt practices at the Grantley Adams International Airport and the Bridgetown Port which might be allowing the flow of illegal guns into the country to continue.

"There is corruption. There must be... corruption if you are going to have the number of firearms that are coming to our shores illegally," he said. "The reality is that where there is corruption, there will always be problems. And so, if the system is corrupt, then we are not going to get the information and support."

Commissioner Griffith therefore appealed to good border security officials to turn in any colleagues whom they are aware are engaging in corrupt practices.

"If you have a few people among you who are corrupt, then you have to be prepared to give them up....The police are not magicians; they depend on support," he said.



► The guns and ammunition handed in during the one-week amnesty

## Man Admits to Threatening to Cut Off Bermuda Premier's Head

A 29-year-old man who was charged a year ago with making death threats to Premier David Burt yesterday pleaded guilty.

Jared Gordon admitted in court to sending the country's leader two threatening emails, one in which he wrote about putting a hole in Burt's head and another in which he said he would cut off his head.

He had been offered bail since being charged in May 2018 for the October 12, 2017 and March 28, 2018 offences, but was remanded after he was unable to find a guarantee. After Gordon's guilty plea, Acting Puisne Judge Juan Wolffe extended his bail pending the completion of a psychological assessment and a social inquiry report for sentencing, but she left the need for a guarantee.

If he gets the guarantee to be released on bail, Gordon, who is reported to be homeless, must stay at least 100 yards away from the House of Assembly, the Cabinet Office and the official residence of the Premier, Camden House.

Although he admitted to the death threats, Gordon denied one count of blackmail. The prosecution indicated it would not proceed with that charge.

The first email Gordon sent to Burt stated: "Ignoring me asking for a budget is driving me to a point of wanting to tell you this to your face...I would really put a hole in your head." It was followed by several images of guns.

A second e-mail stated: "I'm going to end up coming back like a thief in the night, pulling you out of your house and chopping your head off with a hacksaw."



Premier David Burt received two threatening emails, one in which the sender mentioned putting a hole in his head and the other which referred to cutting off his head with

## Curry is on fire as Warriors stumble

Steph Curry is a two-time NBA MVP and three-time champion but when he joined the Golden State Warriors a decade ago, nobody could have predicted his fabulous future.

The 31-year-old point guard is the greatest shooter in NBA history and is the leader of one of the greatest dynasties in NBA history. But it wasn't always that way for Curry.

Drafted by the Warriors with the No. 7 overall pick in the 2009 NBA Draft, the Dubs went 26-56 in Curry's rookie season, and followed that up by going 36-46 the following year. Golden State drafted Klay Thompson in 2011 and promptly went 23-43 in the lockout-shortened

But the Warriors were figuring it out and began to transform themselves

from Western Conference doormat to NBA superpower rather quickly.

While Curry has spent his entire NBA career launching 3-pointers in Oakland, the Dubs' journey has made it feel like something else entirely.

"Even in like my 10 years of being here, I feel like I've played for three different teams," Curry said. "The team that sucked, to the team trying to figure it out, to the established team that we got now. We're very confident in who we are, what we all bring to the table. I like this one."

Indeed, it's been a long road to the top for Curry and the Warriors. But their five-year run of dominance is one of the most impressive in NBA history, making the losing that filled the early part of the decade a price worth paying to achieve

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The days of being an NBA laughing stock are long behind Curry and the Warriors. Golden State entered the 2019 NBA playoffs as the prohibitive favourites to repeat as NBA champions, very few teams posing a realistic chance

Draymond Green. of stopping their dominance. There have been poor runs of results in the regular season, but they are coming good at the right time, de-



▶ Steph Curry is finding form at the right time

spite the surprising collapse against the LA Clippers on Monday.

The Warriors were already the most vulnerable they've been in the Steve Kerr era for a variety of reasons in-fighting among the players, taunting referees and Kerr being fed up with

But they still had the most talent of any NBA team by far, partially because they had DeMarcus Cousins. And after Boogie had found his game last month at the right time in a crowded offense, he is out again. Cousins hobbled off to the locker room due to a non-contact injury to what is reportedly his quad, and it could cost him the rest of the postsea-

But it turns the Warriors into last year's team to an extent. They'll have to hope Kevon Looney — 19 points in 19 minutes on Monday night — fills in offensively should they need him. Andrew Bogut needs to be the Aussie body in the middle he was for previous Dubs runs, but that didn't go so well on Monday.

Still, this is the team with three of the best players in the NBA. They won a title that way last year, and they can very easily do it again this year with Kevin Durant, Curry, Thompson and Green. As long as they stay out of their own way and don't lose 31-point leads to eighth-seeded teams every night, that roster is a threat to win a ring without Cousins.

## Woods now in demand for PGA

Tiger Woods snapped an 11-year winless streak at major championships by capturing the green jacket at Augusta National Golf Club last weekend, and he's currently the betting favourite to win the upcoming PGA Championship, which has moved from its traditional August placement to next month. Fans may only see Woods once before he returns to Bethpage Black on May 16-19, the site of his 2002 US Open victory.

▶ Kevin Durant can help the Warriors to another title

Woods typically never plays the week prior to a major championship, so is likely to miss the Byron Nelson from May 9-12. He's not in the field for this week's RBC Heritage at Harbour Town and is highly unlikely to ever play the Zurich Classic next week, which became a unique team event in 2017.

Assuming Woods is planning to tee up before he returns to Bethpage, however, the Wells Fargo Championship from May 2-5 is his most probable showing. Woods has struggled in his most recent visits to Quail Hollow, finishing T55 at 2-over par in 2018 and missing the cut in 2012 and 2010, but he won the Wachovia Championship in 2007 at the

Looking past the PGA Championship, Woods will likely only have one additional non-major start - at Jack Nicklaus' Memorial Championship - before the 2019 US Open at Pebble Beach. Tiger will then have just over a month to prepare for the final major of the season, the Open Championship at Royal Portrush.



▶ Tiger Woods is the centre of attention again



▶ Tyrone Crawford is an exceptional champ

## Crawford's unbeaten record not in doubt

Unbeaten WBO welterweight champion Terence Crawford looks to seal his legacy in defending his title against Amir Khan at New York's Madison Square Garden on Sunday.

It looks like a mismatch. Crawford (34-0 25Kos) is physically tougher, he punches harder and is tougher to hit. That's a lot in the champion's favour, but Khan's ability to throw combinations is still his best weapon. Crawford hasn't faced a lot of opponents with hand speed on par with Khan's.

Perhaps the best example was Yuriorkis Gamboa five years ago when he was still fighting at 140 pounds. However, Gamboa is awkward and packs more of a punch than Khan. Most of the other fighters Crawford, 31, has faced since have been good technical boxers like Felix Diaz and Viktor Postol, or brawlers like John Molina Jr, but none of them have been capable of firing offense as rapidly as Khan.

Gamboa gave Crawford one of the toughest fights of his career. The only other fighter who was somewhat competitive was Jose Benavidez Jr back in October. Khan (33-4 20 KOs) may be elusive early on but like all the previous losses in his career, once Crawford finds his range and rhythm, it looks like the end at elite level for the 32-year-old Brit. 😚

## Windies 'vibe' much better in camp

Cricket West Indies President Ricky Skerritt has hailed the enthusiasm in the West Indies training camp, which got under way in Barbados at 3W's Oval on Monday.

Skerritt, along with chief executive Johnny Grave and director of cricket Jimmy Adams, visited the camp at UWI Cave Hill where the one-day squad for the Ireland Tri-Nations Series began their preparation.

After addressing players and members of the coaching staff briefly, Skerritt said he was pleased with the "vibe" resonating throughout the group.

"We are in transit to Jamaica to conduct some important business, and we felt it was important to come and spend a few hours to connect with the players and wish them well for the remainder of the camp and the tour ahead," Skerritt said.

"We are impressed with the vibe we got from everyone. There was a bit of a setback with the rain, but they were able to use the indoor facility and they have gotten off to a very positive start."

While the persistent rain restricted players mostly to the indoor nets, new interim head coach Floyd Reifer still managed to oversee three hours of preparatory work in the afternoon.

Key players like batsman Shai Hope, along with seamers Shannon Gabriel and Kemar Roach, all took part on day one of the camp. They were named last week in a 14-man squad for the Tri-Nations Series in Dublin which involves Bangladesh and runs from May 3-17.

The series will be the final one for the Caribbean side before they open their campaign in the ICC 50-over World Cup in England from May 30 to July 14.

Reifer, who last week replaced Englishman Richard Pybus in charge of the squad, said the response from players had been excellent.

"It's been very good. The players worked very hard. Everyone was very supportive, and they gave 120 per cent, so we are looking forward to the remainder of the camp," said the former Barbados and West Indies batsman.



▶ Shannon Gabriel is expected to do well at the World Cup

"We have our strengths and our weaknesses. We will focus more on the fielding and improving the skill set and mindset of the players."

During the camp, Reifer said he hoped to get the unit back to playing their own style.

We don't want to play like the Australians or the English or South Africans," he pointed out. "We want to regain our brand of playing cricket. That's what we want to achieve over the next few days."

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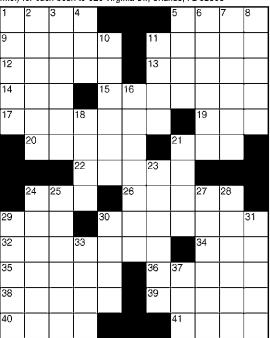
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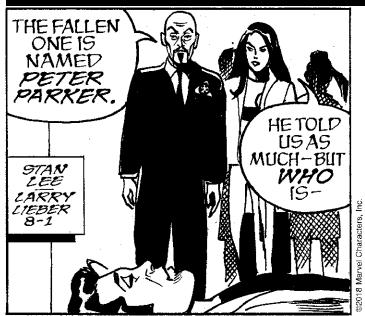


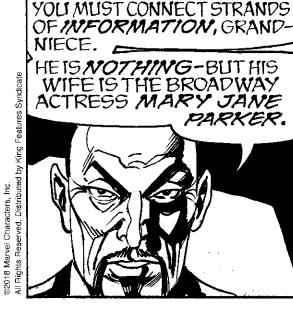


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